

Name: Jeff Struble

Age: 57

Education: BS – Accounting, Finance and economics from Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD (1985)

Present or most recent business/employment: Padgett Business Services, owner
Fatmans Pizza, owner

Previous public office, boards and commissions (and what years):

Apache Junction City Council – 2016-Present

Superstation Mt Comm Facility District (Sewer District) 2013-2016

Apache Junction Parks and Rec Comm 2009-2013

What are your hopes for the City of Apache Junction?:

I will continue to work on moving Apache Junction forward as an example to other communities. This will be done by using our vision and the hardworking and forward thinking citizens.

What are your top three campaign issues and why?:

First, we will continue to improve the reputation of Apache Junction so that we can attract businesses and new families. This will help to build our schools, raise property values and increase city revenue, not tax rates.

Second, assist in the economic development for our citizens and business community. We need to do this to create jobs for our families and increase city revenue, not tax rates.

Third, work with the non-profit and faith based entities to service our citizens. We need them to step up and carry out their missions. This will allow the government to focus on its mission of providing for the citizens safety, infrastructure and public welfare, not private welfare.

How would you rate the state of public transportation in the City of Apache Junction? What changes would you recommend?

The public transportation in Apache Junction is nonexistent. We are constrained by cost of implementing a bus system in our community. We do not have the ridership to pay for the buses. To extend the routes from Power Rd to Apache Junction is very expensive. The state legislators would like try and get funding for a two or three year period, then it would be left up to Apache Junction to fund the program. We currently do not have the funds and would have to implement an increase in city tax rates to pay for the future funding or cut other services

Name one un-funded or under-funded program or project you would promote as a member of the City Council and why:

I have been and will continue to push to move budgeted money from some unneeded line items to fund our police department's safety and protective equipment budget line items

What types of jobs does Apache Junction need? What is your plan for economic development?:

Apache Junction needs manufacturing and distribution jobs that supplement the businesses at the airport and mines. We will continue to work with GPEC and other regional organizations to improve our reputation and infrastructure. We also need to have the state legislature loosen up the strings they have tied upon local municipalities on incentivizing business development opportunities.

What makes you different from the other candidates? How will you make a difference on the City Council?:

It is the citizen's job to determine how each of the candidates are different. I will use my experience, knowledge and connections to continue to create and build relationships in our community, our region the state and nation.

If a majority of residents of Gold Canyon petitioned to be annexed into the City of Apache Junction, would you vote yes? Why or why not?:

As long as it was a feasible endeavor, I would vote for the annexation. It has to be a win-win situation. Since Apache Junction does not have a property tax it is important that we get people to use our communities businesses to create revenue streams. Therefore, we need to make sure that the annexation has sufficient people in relation to the land mass added.

What opportunities do you see for regional collaboration?

We will continue to use our relationships with CAG, MAG, GPEC and my personal relationships with the surrounding city council people. We have to cultivate those relationships because as they say, "rising tides raise all boats".

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