

Contract

To The Editor:

Are we citizens of Colton winding up for another term of the same old Machiavellian town government that has cursed us for years? As politicians go door to door seeking votes this time, I have no doubts that the same old tired promises will be made to us all.

But here's a novel little idea that might help one decide who to vote for. Everyone with concerns could type up a little contract to hold, should an elected official snap out on a power mad trip.

It should contain your own personal greatest concern or worry and not something silly. Like property assessment or increased taxes or foolish spending of tax money. Here are a couple examples:

"I, the undersigned, promise that if elected I will allow citizens with concerns equal time that board members get to speak at all town meetings."

or

"I, the undersigned, promise that if elected, to prevent any senior citizen or poor person from losing their home due to property tax increases."

Have a line for the politician's signature, a line for the date and a "witnessed by" line under this for your own signature.

If they refuse to sign your contract, think hard and long before voting for them! After all, they can always deny they made promises to you verbally, but this way, you'll have something to bring to town meetings if need be, and hopefully not be told to sit down and shut up, "You're out of order!" as Miss Kilroy's battle cry goes.

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