

Vote GOP

To The Editor:

As a candidate for Colton Town Board, I want to see our community move forward. I want our hamlets to be attractive places where visitors want to stop. During my lifetime, I have witnessed the decline of both our homes and the buildings in our business districts. We've all observed this decline and nothing has been done except for the recent Restore NY grant application. The Town needs to reapply to the St. Lawrence County Housing Council to continue repairs to our homes. Let me assure you that I will devote my energies to revitalizing our homes and businesses. I will help in every way I can to fix up our town.

I will bring my past work experience in land use, construction layout, heavy construction, home construction, working with inspectors and businesses, etc. to the town board. You've all seen what I've done in South Colton with the former McKizer Hotel. Isn't that a big improvement? I have that kind of commitment to the whole town.

I want to address the issue of what I'll call "voter abuse." We are led to believe that we elect individuals to represent

us on our Town Board. But, some Board members are no longer concerned with informing us or in helping us to achieve a good life. They want to limit our participation at Board meetings. What happened to fair and open government? Why aren't our opinions valued? By ignoring us, isn't that an abuse of power? Little thought is given to us, the voters! I am saddened by this sort of behavior by certain Board members. I call that voter abuse and abuse of position. These actions are unethical. My principles and convictions tell me that this is wrong. Is power that important?

If we do not stand firm in our convictions about what is right, we will not stand at all. Believe me, I want to serve you as town councilman, and I will listen to you.

Please vote for the entire Republican team - Bill Swafford, Mary Jane Watson, George Wright, Micki Nesbitt and myself, Ed Wright. We are all people who will work to better our town and your lives, and who support fair and open government.

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