

BALLOT

OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL ASSURANCE GROUP 2024 Election of TWO Trustees For a three-year term starting July 1, 2024

The biographical sketch on the next page for each nominee was written by the person who made the nomination. YOU MAY VOTE FOR TWO (2) NOMINEES by placing a check mark next to their names below.

- ___ Mike Bailey, City Manager, Bartlesville (Incumbent)
- ___ Craig Stephenson, City Manager, Ponca City (Incumbent)
- ___ Donalynn Blazek-Scherler, City Clerk, Lawton
- ___ Gary A. Jones, City Manager, Altus
- ___ Tammy Kretchmar, City Manager, Yukon
- ___ David M. Mason, Mayor, Enid
- ___ Cody Roe, City Manager, McLoud
- ___ Micheal Shannon, Interim City Manager, Guymon

SIGN AND ATTEST

Ballot cast by the governing body of the municipality of

Signed: _____
Mayor

Attested: _____ Date: _____, 2024
Clerk

FAILURE TO PROPERLY SUBMIT THIS BALLOT WILL INVALIDATE THE BALLOT.

Your Ballot must be received by the OMAG no later than *May 15, 2024*, by:

- (1) emailing the ballot to elections@omag.org;
- (2) sending the ballot to OMAG by mail to 3650 S. Boulevard, Edmond, OK 73013; or
- (3) sending a facsimile of the ballot to OMAG at (405) 657-1401.

SEE REVERSE FOR BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

MIKE BAILEY (Incumbent) Mike is the City Manager for Bartlesville and has been with the City for 18 years. Mike is a licensed CPA who has worked with many local governments throughout his career. He has served on the OMAG Board since 2007 and is also on the boards of CMAO and OMSCC. (Bartlesville participates in the Municipal Liability Protection Plan and the Municipal Property Protection Plan.)

CRAIG STEPHENSON (Incumbent) Craig is a current incumbent on the OMAG Board. He has 37 years of municipal (government) experience serving communities as Assistant City Manager and City Manager. Craig holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Political Science and has earned the ICMA Credentialed and Oklahoma Accredited Manager designation. (Ponca City participates in the Municipal Property Protection Plan and the Municipal Liability Protection Plan.)

DONALYNN BLAZEK-SCHERLER Donalynn is an excellent candidate to serve as a trustee for the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG). She's an extremely dedicated and hard working employee who will no doubt be an asset to the board. Ms. Blazek-Scherler has been an exemplary employee for the City of Lawton for several years. (Lawton participates in the Municipal Liability Protection Plan and the Municipal Property Protection Plan.)

GARY JONES City Manager Altus September 2019-present. Oklahoma State Auditor 2011-2019 where he received the 2016 "Sunshine Award" and was named an honorary Fire-Fighter and friend of retired Teachers. Comanche County Commissioner 1995-1999. Received the "Superior Achievement Award" from the Oklahoma Good Roads and Streets Association. BS Business Administration/Accounting-Cameron University. (Altus participates in the Municipal Liability Protection Plan and the Municipal Property Protection Plan, and the Workers' Compensation Plan.)

TAMMY KRETCHMAR Tammy Kretchmar, serving the City of Yukon since 1996, advanced to City Manager in 2021. She actively engages in professional associations like ICMA and CMAO. Tammy's exceptional leadership in Yukon has earned her the 2017 Don Rider Award and the 2022 Gerald Wilkins and Jeff Shockley Award. (Yukon participates in the Municipal Liability Protection Plan, the Municipal Property Protection Plan, and the Workers' Compensation Plan.)

DAVID MASON David has a BS degree in Education and a Master's Degree in Administration. He entered the insurance business in 2003 and quickly advanced to District Manager of 29 agencies. He later became VP/Director of Sales for a large Independent agency helping to increase sales \$100M over 5 years. (Enid participates in the Municipal Property Protection Plan and the Municipal Liability Protection Plan.)

CODY ROE Currently serving as City Manager for the city of McLoud, Cody has over 14 years in Municipal Government where he has served as the Parks Director, Emergency Manager, Operations Director, Public Works Director, and Assistant City Manager. Cody is actively involved in Pottawatomie County and serves on the COEDD Board. (McLoud participates in the Municipal Liability Protection Plan, the Municipal Property Protection Plan, and the Workers' Compensation Plan.)

MICHEAL SHANNON Mike Shannon, a lifelong cowboy and team roper of the Oklahoma Panhandle has worked in municipal government over 45 years. During that time, he worked in the private sector managing a small communication company for 9 years, returning to municipal government as Interim City Manager for the City of Guymon. (Guymon participates in the Municipal Liability Protection Plan, the Municipal Property Protection Plan, and the Workers' Compensation Plan.)



April 15, 2024

Dear Municipal Official,

I am writing to express my candidacy for reelection to the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group's (OMAG) Board of Trustees, representing Oklahoma's municipalities. Over the past sixteen years, it has been my privilege to serve in this capacity, and I am seeking your support once again for another term.

With a background as a licensed CPA and extensive experience in municipal leadership, including roles as City Clerk, Treasurer, Finance Director, Assistant City Manager, and currently as City Manager of the City of Bartlesville, I bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the position.

During my tenure on the OMAG Board of Trustees, I have held key positions such as Secretary, Vice Chairman, and Chairman. Through these roles, I have gained valuable insights into the diverse needs of our municipalities and have worked diligently to represent their interests effectively.

I believe that my comprehensive background and commitment to public service uniquely qualify me for continued service as an OMAG Trustee. I am dedicated to advocating for the interests of all member municipalities and ensuring the best possible outcomes for our communities.

I sincerely appreciate your consideration and hope to have the opportunity to continue serving as a trusted representative for our municipalities on the OMAG Board of Trustees. Thank you for your support.

Warm regards,

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March 26, 2024

City of Clinton
Robert Johnston, City Manager
P.O. Box 1177
Clinton, Oklahoma 73601-1177

Dear Mr. Johnston,

I am writing to notify you that I am seeking re-election to the OMAG Board. It has been an honor to serve alongside dedicated professionals who share a commitment to enhancing the welfare of our communities through effective risk management practices.

Over the years, OMAG has continuously strived to provide invaluable resources and support to its members, and I am proud to have been a part of this journey. As a seasoned city manager with 37 years of experience in municipal governance, including 15 years as a city manager, I bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the table. I firmly believe in OMAG's mission to empower municipalities with the tools necessary to mitigate risks and foster sustainable growth.

One of the key pillars of OMAG's initiatives is its comprehensive training opportunities, which are instrumental in equipping municipal leaders with the skills needed to navigate complex challenges effectively. Additionally, OMAG's safety grants, root control program, body-worn cameras, and recognition and retention program have played pivotal roles in enhancing operational efficiency and ensuring the well-being of our communities.

I am grateful for the trust and support you have placed in me thus far, and I humbly ask for your continued endorsement in the upcoming election. Together, let us continue to build a future where our municipalities flourish and prosper.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig Stephenson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Craig Stephenson, ICMA-CM
City Manager