

Republican Central Committee Questionnaire for Commissioner Candidates

Richard Weaver

Do you support a reduction to the cap on property tax assessments?

Our present cap is adequate.

If elected will you support the "Constant Yield Tax Rate" for Carroll County?

This should be evaluated on a yearly basis.

Would you support Code Home Rule?

As Carroll County continues to grow this may become a viable hybrid between commissioner and charter government

Would you support Charter Government?

I believe this form of government is more effective with a higher population. It may be more suitable for Carroll County if or when our population reached or exceeded 225,000 residents.

Would you support the creation of a county-funded professional Fire Department?

In order to meet the needs of our fire and EMS services we must assist our volunteer fire departments with some paid personnel.

Would you support protecting farmers/landowners rights to be able to sell their property?

I support personal property rights.

How do you plan on working with the BOE to do what is best for students and tax payers?

Combined work sessions focused on transparency and the open sharing of thoughts and opinions will continue to foster growth and success for students as well as tax payers.

How would you rate Governor Hogan's performance?

He is doing a fantastic job.

How do you plan on working with the delegation to do what is best for Carroll County?

Having meetings several times a year to discuss county and state issues is very important. Open communication and clear vision will always be essential to effective government.

Is it fair to assume prior donations to individuals and campaigns reflect your character and values?

Yes

Governor Hogan and President Trump are both Republicans. However, they have two very different approaches when it comes to governing. As a Republican, do you think that it is possible to be a supporter of both Governor Hogan and President Trump?

Very rarely do the personal beliefs of an individual align 100% with any candidate.

Differing styles are not always indicative of effectiveness.

Have you ever been a named party in a lawsuit against the Maryland Republican party or one of the state's Republican central committees?

No

Are you able to work with Republicans who have varying conservative ideologies?

Yes, I strive to work collaboratively with all constituents.

What is your favorite thing about living in Carroll County?

The rural atmosphere.

In three words, describe Carroll County Values.

Hardworking, family, rural

When and why did you become a Republican?

I have been a republican since I first registered to vote in 1968.

Are you pro-Life?

Yes

Are you supportive of the Second Amendment?

Yes