



Mark Moyher - Candidate for First Selectman of Orange.
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Good morning everyone. Thank you all for joining me here today. I hope this will be the beginning of a productive and successful partnership.

I am pleased to announce I am seeking the office of First Selectman on the Democratic ticket. This will require all of us to work together so we can prevail in November.

I know the banner indicates my name, but who is Mark Moyher?

My wife Ilene and I moved to Orange 25 years ago. Like many of you we were looking for a town with a good community, excellent schools and a desirable location. Orange is a wonderful town and I want to ensure that it continues to be wonderful for you and ALL who live here.

Orange is not the same town as it was 25 years ago. It can be MORE!

In recent years it has become more diverse both culturally and demographically. I believe the town's leader should foster an environment that will improve the quality of life for residents.

We should not continue to accept complacency when we deserve excellence.

We should not live with "we've always done it this way" when there are more proactive and innovative ways to achieve things.

We all need to rally together to move Orange forward.

Our current administration only knows one way to get things done. I call it "passive progress" as there is no proactive effort to attract new business and no effort to create cultural opportunities or more community gatherings.

As your First Selectman I will collaborate to develop more programs we can offer that reflect our town's unique character. We are very fortunate to have many bright, talented, innovative, and successful people living in our community who are willing to share their time to improve our town.

So how are we going to achieve this?

By having transparent budgeting, strong leadership, and a solid business plan.

We need to elect a caring, hard working and transparent candidate that will be able to engage with the whole community seeking to make it better. That would be me by the way!

I believe we need better Economic Development plans as Orange deserves to have more retail areas and more places to dine and socialize.

As a community, we need more!

More programs for our children and their families.

More services for our seniors.

More cultural and recreational activities for all residents.

Some people will say a Democrat can't get elected in Orange. I say Orange deserves a First Selectman who is for ALL Orange residents, not only a select few.

I will bring the financial and management experience of my nearly 40-year career in business to the office of First Selectman, along with my high energy and drive to evolve.

As a young business professional, I started in an entry-level position, and worked my way up to Vice President and Senior Trader at an internationally recognized investment firm.

I will ensure that Orange keeps up with the times and is modernized for the future.

For the past several years, I have enjoyed serving as a member and now the Secretary and Treasurer of the Orange Recycling committee.

I am working hard to reduce our town's trash and carbon footprint which is not only good for the environment, but saves the town money.

This community service is what sparked my interest in giving back.

I have decided that now is the right time for me to step up.

I've already had the pleasure of meeting many neighbors and making friends in our community and I look forward to meeting many more and learning just what's important to you.

My vision is to engage with ALL residents and encourage those interested in participating in our community to get involved.

I look forward to continuing the conversation with you so that together we can build a better, stronger community for ALL of us.

You will Get More with Moyher.

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