

Meet the Candidates!

We asked each candidate about how they have worked to improve Bay View in the past, and what their plans are for Bay View's future. These are their answers (in alphabetical order):

JOSEPH R. GULLO *

1. How have you been involved in the community and worked to improve Bay View in the past?
 - Seven years serving on the Board of Governors
 - Six years as Chairman of the Budget Committee
 - Four years on the Nominating Committee
 - 8+ years (working with Tom Beirne) negotiating insurance protection for BVIA

2. What are your plans for Bay View's future?
 - Keep BVIA financially capable to meet all contingencies (beach maintenance expenses, taxes, insurance, storm damage, etc.)
 - Improve BVIA beach – keeping it clean and safe.
 - Improve communication with BVIA members during the year.
 - To maintain and improve insurance coverage whenever possible.

LEE JACABACCI

1. How have you been involved in the community and worked to improve Bay View in the past?

BAYVIEW resident for 12 YEARS with husband Bill and Granddaughter.

Recently retired RN for VA Hospital specializing in dialysis and strong teaching background.

Family owned construction company for over 40 years. I understand the concept of construction, pricing, project time frame, bookkeeping.

With new found free time, my background and availability I would like to contribute to our beautiful neighborhood. I have the time, energy and motivation. I look forward to helping on the entertainment committee and work with the remaining members of our board making positive movement in our community.

I have spent the past several months learning about the way BVIA works.

I feel strongly we need much more transparency. Our Board has worked hard to keep Bayview in its past beauty but change and forward movement is a natural progression.

2. What are your plans for Bay View's future?

- .Increased transparency on the financial ongoings of BVIA
- .Greater communication from the Board and members utilizing our great Website,
- .Two general member meetings a year promoting greater attendance.
- .Encourage the use of Proxy voting and improve the credibility of our Proxy through education. No more than 3 proxies per household. Increase the availability to vote via mail, online, proxy or in person.
- .Develop a storm management plan. Have an established plan in place to be implemented with incoming storms
- .Improve lifeguard coverage with focus on water not other tasks.
- .Allow snacking and light meals at the beach.
- .Additional general member activities
- .No increase in Association dues
- .Accept and openly evaluate and vote on ideas brought to the Board when presented.

ROB KURFEHS

1. How have you been involved in the community and worked to improve Bay View in the past?

I'm new to Bay View but lived up the street on Bryan Hill since 2010. For about 10 years I've been volunteering with the city to help brand and promote Milford. The work I've done can be seen digitally and all over town. I firmly believe design can improve a community, so it was always important for me to help the place I live. One of the first things I did when I moved here was create a sticker for Bay View, and I just volunteered to help create the official logo via a recent contest. Other than that, it's a simple thing, but since Covid hit we do regular "trash walks" in the area and pick up litter. We want to keep the neighborhood looking great.

2. What are your plans for Bay View's future?

It's less important to me what my plans are, and more important that I help create an environment that fosters transparency, and gives every resident a chance to contribute and shape the decisions for the community. That said, I hope to bring my aesthetic eye to the board to bring new ideas and create a more enjoyable, beautiful, and desirable Bay View. Diplomacy and a clear vision can accomplish a lot!

ELIZABETH SCHILDGEN *

1. How have you been involved in the community and worked to improve Bay View in the past?

I love historic Bay View and have worked tirelessly for many years to make our community thrive. I have served as chair of the Board for many years and as a member of the Board for even longer. I have also served on the Recreation, Nominating, and Budget committees. I've staunchly defended our Private Beach status from all threats, including when Federal Funds were used to install pipes on the Oakland end of the beach. While other beaches have lost their private status, we have held strong.

I have a Bachelor's and two Masters' degrees. I am a former high school math teacher, guidance counselor, and assistant principal. I have also served on the Milford Board of Education. I have used this background for the benefit of the Bay View community. As examples, I have helped to negotiate a contract to have our beach raked at a large savings for the Association, made sure we are properly insured each year, hired and supervised lifeguards, responded to members' many questions and challenges, maintained our beach, boat racks, and lifeguard equipment and accomplished many others. Some may not realize how much work it is to make our community run smoothly. I have worked diligently year after year to make our beautiful Bay View thrive.

2. What are your plans for Bay View's Future?

I will defend our Beach and Charter to ensure we can continue to enjoy Bay View. I will preserve Bay View's natural beauty while spending on cost-efficient improvements to help guard against flooding and improve our community.

I will continue to carefully maintain our finances. As a careful steward of BVIA's funds, we have successfully built up a cash reserve for emergencies, while keeping our yearly dues from increasing.

I support historic Bay View and will champion what is best for our community.

ANNE SHAW

1. How have you been involved in the community and worked to improve Bay View in the past?

My husband's grandfather decided to purchase our residence at 100 Bayshore Drive in 1964 after renting on Warren Street for several years. We are extremely fortunate that our family has been a member of this community for many decades. In June 2019 I became a full-time resident. I live with my husband to whom I have been

married for 11 years. During my time at Bayview, I am extremely grateful to have made many lifelong friends and memories. I know what it is like to live in a flood zone and I have had my house raised to avoid flooding. My children have grown up in Bayview and have enjoyed their summers at the beach, especially the annual 4th of July parade and Jet skiing.

2. What are your plans for Bay View's future?

I am looking forward to working with the other board members to continuously make the Bayview Beach community a great place to live. I would like to see more recreation activities for the community including a welcoming party for those new to Bayview Beach. I would like the BVIA website to be a resource for storm and emergency management planning, as well as future sea level rise concerns for our area. I would like for the association to have more than one association meeting per year giving the association more of a voice in the planning and future of Bayview Beach. I would like the posting of all BOG and Annual meetings to be continued to be available for review on the BVIA website.

TERESA SIRICO *

1. How have you been involved in the community and worked to improve Bay View in the past?

I have served Bay View for many years and continue to work diligently to make the Association a beautiful community we all love. I have provided many years of service as a member of the Board of Governors as Vice Chair. My family has lived in this community since 1954.

I am a licensed Real Broker and former President of the New Haven Association of Realtors and own my own Real Estate Company. I am a former member of the Southern Connecticut State University Foundation Board (Investment Committee) and President of the Alumni Association. Today I remain an elected member of the Southern Alumni Association where I serve on the Finance Committee. As a Senior Real Estate Instructor, I am an editor of the textbooks and real estate instructor. I've used this background to help guard Bay View's private beach status and led our efforts to draw up a contract to protect our Private Beach status when federal funds were used to install pipes on the Oakland end of the beach and throughout the flood areas of Bay View.

But giving back to Bay View isn't just about leadership positions, I think it's important to help out day-to-day in keeping our Association beautiful: I have participated in beach cleanups, the Budget Committee, our Centennial, and other community efforts. There are a thousand tasks required and I am happy to help. I negotiated the contract to have our beach raked weekly at a large savings for the Association. Along with Elizabeth Schildgen, I have hired and supervised our lifeguards.

2. What are your plans for Bay View's future?

It is imperative that we defend our Beach and our Charter to ensure we can enjoy this community for generations to come. Some members have begun to attack our charter and propose radical changes to our Association. My goal is to preserve our beautiful community and to serve our Community above all else.

My goal is to maintain what is great about Bay View while making it even better. I want to preserve the Beach's natural beauty while spending on reasonable, cost-efficient improvements to help protect us from flooding and improve Bay View. It is important to guard our strong financial position and cash reserve as responsible stewards of the Association.

*** Incumbents**