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Subject: 2023 Municipal Elections - the mountaineer Candidate Forum.

The mountaineer is holding another Candidate Forum for the 2023 Municipal Elections, to be held at the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

https://www.themountaineer.com/news/hear-from-candidates-before-early-voting-at-the-mountaineer-forum/article_f1014f30-6466-11ee-97c7-6346de57626a.html

Questions submitted to candidates are prepared by **Vicki Hyatt**, Liberal Hack Writer for the mountaineer. These forums have been her exclusive domain since forever. Questions submitted to the candidates are designed to -

- Elevate democrats over Republicans, or
- Have no real bearing on exposing embarrassing issues with current democrat incumbents.

My usual recommendation to candidates are to avoid the mountaineer forums like the plague.

There will be four separate segments, starting at 4 pm and ending shortly after 7 pm.

Of particular interest will be the Maggie Valley forum, scheduled from 5:15 pm - 7 pm. This will offer a chance to see

- **Mike Eveland**
- Janet Banks¹

Let's see if **Vicki Hyatt** ask's the question - "Who is in favor of Smart Growth"²?

This time slot will also offer an opportunity for Allen Alsbrooks to express his views.

My guess is that the last time slot, Waynesville Town Council, will be boring, as I expect the only people to show up for this forum are the incumbents, and possibly Ken Hollifield. Let's see how it goes.

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¹ Note that Janet Banks is not in **bold**. If someone's name is in **bold**, it can't be a good thing.

² <https://haywoodhappenings.org/Pics/FlowDiag.jpg>