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## Home Builders Association of Western Michigan Government Relations Committee

### Information Request Form

Candidate Name: Shannon

Bagley \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: P.O. Box 217

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City / State / Zip: Climax Mi

49034 \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

County: Kalamazoo \_\_\_\_\_ Length of residence: 51  
years \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 269-547-0061 \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail:  
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Campaign committee name & address: Elect Shannon Bagley Kalamazoo County Sheriff  
P.O. Box 217 Climax Mi. 49034 \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: Retired Police Captain- Kalamazoo Department of Public  
Safety \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate for which office: Office of Sheriff- Kalamazoo  
County \_\_\_\_\_

Incumbent? \_\_\_no\_\_\_

#### Mission Statement

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Please list endorsements received to date: \_\_\_\_\_

Former Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety Chief Jeff Hadley

Former Kalamazoo County Sheriff Mike Anderson

Former Mayor of Portage Nasim Ansari

WMU Collage Republicans

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*HBA of Western Michigan – local candidate informational questions*

Have you ever run for elective office?

No, this is my first experience running for office.

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What is your background (education, employment, other relevant experience)?

Spring Arbor University- Bachelor's of Science: Organization and Resource Management.

Kalamazoo Valley Community College- Associates Degree: Criminal Justice

Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety (Retired Captain)

Division Commander: Captain- Detective Bureau & Crime Lab (Responsible for the daily operations of the Criminal Investigation Division & Crime Lab)

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Division Commander: Captain- Office of Professional Standards (Responsible for daily operations, recruiting and hiring of KDPS personnel; policy review, internal investigations & liaison for the City Manager’s Citizen Review Board)

Inspector/Lieutenant: Office of Professional Standards (Responsible for investigating citizen complaints & internal investigations, college intern program, divisional audits & body camera pilot program)

Operations Division: Sergeant (Supervised police, fire and medical emergency response throughout Kalamazoo)

Kalamazoo Valley Enforcement Team: Sergeant (Supervised the Interdiction Team investigating street and mid-level drug traffickers in Kalamazoo County)

Detective (Investigated all part-one crimes)

Investigator: Kalamazoo Valley Enforcement Team (Investigated drug traffickers)

Operations Division: Patrol Officer (Responded to police, fire & medical emergency calls)

Kalamazoo Valley Community College: Police Officer (Serve & protect students, faculty)

Kalamazoo County Sheriff Reserve Deputy (Volunteered to work community events, ride along with deputies and assist in the jail)

I have been honored to serve the Kalamazoo community for almost 28 years as a peace officer. I have 11+ years of experience as a front line supervisor and 7+ years of executive/administrative experience.

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What are your top priority issues if elected / re-elected?

- Build strong partnership/relationships with all communities
- Data driven approaches to problem solving and improve service
- Reduce recidivism
- School safety & youth initiatives
- Fiscal responsibility & transparency

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Why should the residential construction and remodeling community support your candidacy?

I feel very strongly that a safe community is a strong community. The stronger the community the more opportunity there is for growth. Growth creates an atmosphere where success can be achieved. Success in achieving goals and objectives of a business, individual or neighborhood is determined through relationships. Relationship is the foundation upon which everything is built. As Sheriff I will work tirelessly to create, maintain and strengthen this bond. The Sheriff's Office will partner with communities and businesses to find solutions to the issues facing our County. As we serve, you can expect the organization to be professional, transparent and accountable.

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Why should the residential construction and remodeling community NOT support your opponent's candidacy (if applicable)?

Education and experience are significant considerations when evaluating skill sets. I do not know my primary opponent well. I believe him to be a nice person but a serious evaluation of resumes clearly shows there is no comparison. I've been very blessed and fortunate during my career. I had the opportunity to serve the Kalamazoo community in many different capacities. My experience and proven track record have prepared me to lead the Sheriff's Office.

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Today the home building and remodeling community is confronted with a wide array of complex issues. Who and/or what organization in your community do you use for advice and counsel?

It is important to gather as much information as possible specific to the issue at hand. That requires a 360 degree approach while evaluating the problem before a plan is set to remedy the issue. This requires listening to those closest to the problem and hearing what

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solutions they have. Additionally, contacting subject matter experts for advice and counsel in conjunction with research of established best practices enables strategic planning.

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Government regulations, policies, ordinances and codes continue to be a top concern of the residential construction and remodeling industry. What would you recommend to reduce regulations to promote and support the need for additional housing in our area?

To have the biggest impact in this area, communities must elect leaders that are competent and put the safety, growth and wellbeing of the community first. Governing in a fair, open and transparent manner all while consistently looking for opportunities to improve should be the priority.

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What is your philosophy on residential development, impact fees, property taxes, etc.?

Costs associated with property taxes etc. should not negatively impact development. As your Sheriff that means doing my part to ensure the Office of Sheriff is managed efficiently and effectively in a fiscally responsible manner.

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What else can be done to encourage and support new housing development?

A safe community is a strong community. Strength creates opportunity for growth. Achieving the goals and objectives of the community requires solid relationships at all levels of government. As Sheriff building/maintaining relationships with the community in

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partnership with residents working together to solve issues within our neighborhoods is my highest priority. \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your position on the rights of property owners with regard to development, redevelopment and remodeling?

The Office of Sheriff has a duty/responsibility to protect the rights of citizens. The oath of office requires we uphold the Constitution of this state and the United States. Any infringement is subject to judicial proceedings. As Sheriff I would work within the scope of my responsibilities to protect the rights of property owners.

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How would you define positive growth in housing for our area?

I'm a big believer in data driven approaches to problem solving. Positive growth starts by looking at the information to help guide development that meets the needs of communities and developers.

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How can the HBA of Western Michigan assist you if you are elected?

That's a great question. I'd like to partner/help our seniors, disabled and others in need with repairs and improvements to their homes. Partnering with your group (and others) to help in this area has the potential to have significant impact in our communities.

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