

I am grateful for everyone who wants to be informed and takes the responsibility to vote seriously. It is great that we have a slate of eager and qualified candidates for this election, and I appreciate the chance to learn about them, albeit remotely.

It is my turn to share a little about myself, as I am a candidate for the one-year open seat on the Fletcher Selectboard. Many people have seen me riding my bicycle or running the roads of Fletcher and Cambridge, and wonder who was that guy with the orange helmet and the grey beard? Well, that may have been me.

I have lived in Vermont since 1983. My family built our home here in Fletcher in 1992. At the time, I had been working for the State of Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation since 1984, where I worked until 1995. For the last 26 years, I have been in the private sector, involved in water resource management and water-related infrastructure, including planning, design, construction, and operation. I am a professional engineer with experience working with community members, stakeholder groups, developers, and municipal governments. I have worked as a consultant for many Vermont towns, including Cabot, Pownal, Jericho, Warren, Colchester and East Montpelier.

I offer balanced and thoughtful decision-making with a commitment to the Town of Fletcher, its unique community character and working landscape of farmland and forest. I will carry out the role of selectboard member with respect for those who live, work and visit here. My business and government experience will help our community navigate these unprecedented times.