

# Candidate Biographies

(Listed Alphabetically)

## **Dave Bisch**

Dave retired from AFFCO as Sales Engineer and Project Manager after a long career in the Engineering and Management fields. Throughout his career he worked as an Equipment Engineer at Thiokol Chemical Corporation in Brigham City, Utah; and as a Designer at the State of Montana Department of Highways in Helena. Dave returned to Anaconda in 1967 where he began work for the Anaconda Company in the Engineering office. He transferred to the BA&P Railway as a MW&S Engineer and later was promoted to MW&S Superintendent. He also served as the Vice President and ultimately President of Rarus Railway.

Dave attended Montana State University, Weber State in Ogden, Utah finishing at ICS in Civil Engineering. He loves Montana and enjoys being in the mountains hunting and fishing. For many years he has been active in the Anaconda community and has held various offices in the Anaconda Rifle Club. Dave has also served on the Supervisory Committee and Board of Southwest Montana Community FCU in past years.

He likes volunteering with the Food Bank and is on the Funeral Luncheon Committee at Holy Family church.

## **Mike Huotte**

Mike grew up in Anaconda and graduated from Anaconda High in 2003. Mike graduated from Montana Tech with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business Information and Technology with an emphasis in Accounting and also with a Minor in Computer Science. In 2009 he became a Licensed Certified Public Accountant for the State of Montana.

Mike was appointed in 2014 by Governor Steve Bullock to serve on the Montana Board of Public Accountants and has since been reappointed in 2018 and 2022. He was elected a County Commissioner for Anaconda-Deer Lodge County in 2018 and re-elected in 2022 and currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the Commission. Mike has served on Southwest's board since June 2013. He also serves on various other boards in the community.

Mike works as the District Financial Officer for the Montana Department of Transportation. Mike and his wife Melissa reside in Anaconda and have three daughters