



And they're off! Mapleville election campaign begins

Mapleville's two candidates officially began campaigning today to win your vote. First on the ballot is Wendy Abbott, a 62-year old political veteran who, if elected, plans to develop green energy in the form of wind farms. Her competitor, Tracy Bell, was born and raised in Mapleville. She is new to politics, but has a big vision for improving services in the community, specifically its public transit system.

SOURCE: Your Local News



Meet Tracy Bell: a passionate advocate for public transit with deep ties to the community

At 28 years old, Tracy Bell is the youngest candidate ever to seek office in Mapleville, but it would be a mistake to underestimate her. Born and raised locally, Ms. Bell is running on the strength of her community ties and commitment to replace our small and aging public transportation system with a new fleet of frequent busses and a high-speed train. "I know this community," she says, "and I know what it needs."

SOURCE: Your Local News



Community News Today



Meet Wendy Abbott: an experienced politician with a green energy vision for Mapleville

Wendy Abbott may be new to Mapleville, but she's no stranger to elected office. This ambitious politician has won significant victories for her former constituents as an elected official for more than 20 years. Her latest vision is a wind-power system capable of powering all of Mapleville without burning any fossil fuels. "This community can be a green energy leader, and I am the person to get us there," she says.

SOURCE: Community News Today



 Jennifer Cooper

All aboard Tracy Bell's transit vision!



OPINION: All the right moves – Tracy Bell's transit plans will get us where we need to go

It's been a long time coming, but if Tracy Bell is elected, we're not going to have to wait much longer to have a viable alternative to driving. Our community's ancient bus fleet is a running joke. New buses and a high-speed train will bring Mapleville into the 21st century by providing access to fast and reliable transportation that will help people get to work, while creating jobs.

SOURCE: Your Local News



 Jeff James



Former staff say Wendy Abbott was a "nightmare boss"

Wendy Abbott's office was not a happy workplace, according to numerous accounts from former staff members and volunteers. "She would yell a lot," said one person who wished not to be named. "People would cry at work."

SOURCE: Gossipz



 Mohammad Harris

Everyone I know is talking about election day right now ... I honestly can't wait to vote for Wendy Abbott. She's got a wealth of experience, and an excellent track record as an elected representative. A total pro.



 Steve Reynolds

Wind, really?? Hands up if you think Wendy Abbott is just trying to make money for big developers



Dozens gather to protest wind farm development

She hasn't even been elected yet and Wendy Abbott is facing fierce opposition from those who don't want to see her wind farm dreams come true. Protestors led chants of "Don't mess with Mapleville!" while marching down Main Street, carrying signs with slogans such as "Wind farms = wind harms."

SOURCE: Community News Today





Billy Mustapha



How much work do we want to do for a cool breeze anyway?



Jonas Siddiqi



Did you know that Wendy Abbott just moved to Mapleville? How does she think she can represent a place she doesn't really know? It's Tracy Bell who's going to get my vote on election day.



Lucinda Rogers



Go Tracy Bell!!!! C'mon people!



Candidates face-off in heated debate

The two candidates vying to be Mapleville's next elected representative took to the stage last night, in a debate where sparks flew. Wendy Abbott and Tracy Bell both scored points – the race for now is too close to predict a winner.

SOURCE: Community News Today



Your Local News



INVESTIGATION: Will Windvision take the money and run?

If Wendy Abbott wins the upcoming election, Mapleville will have a wind farm in its future – but what do we know about the company waiting in the wings to build it? We investigated Windvision, the global company that will run the project, and found troubling information: a history of unpaid bills and broken promises.

SOURCE: Your Local News



Current Events Weekly



Under the hood of a 21st century transit system

Mapleville has never had much of a public transit system, but that could be about to change, and many would argue it's not a moment too soon. If Tracy Bell gets her way there will be no more slow, old, overcrowded busses. And the benefits of her public transit proposal extend beyond simply getting people around. From job creation to decreased traffic on the road, this vision is for a future that is modern, efficient, and sustainable. The question now is if residents agree.

SOURCE: Current Events Weekly

Tracy Bell



Tracy Bell will get you where you need to **GO**

Source: Tracy Bell campaign

Saoirse Carlisle

In this election, I don't think there's anything more important than being local and having deep ties to this community. I trust Tracy Bell to fight hard for us and win. This is her home, and she's just that way.

Bunmi Bowman

Stop needless and harmful development – Tracy Bell is the only choice!



OPINION: Proposed wind farm promises to wreak havoc on the community

It doesn't take a genius to see that Wendy Abbott's big bet on wind is a disaster in the making. Why? Let's count the reasons: constant noise, a total disruption to the landscape, let's not forget wind doesn't even give us much energy. This project makes zero sense and should not go forward.

SOURCE: Your Local News

 Noah Meglic ...

Whoa! Conflict of interest much??



The real reason Wendy Abbott wants a wind farm so bad is because she's **INVESTED** in the development

You might think Wendy Abbott is an environmental saint, but it's time to think again. An investigative report finds she may be so keen on wind because she is secretly invested in Windvision, the company contracted to build Mapleville's wind farm. Wendy Abbott stands to make a pile of money should the project go ahead. Very suspicious!

SOURCE: The Deep Reveal

   

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Endorsement: Tracy Bell is the fresh vision and local connections this community needs

Tracy Bell grew up locally and knows what this community needs. If elected, she will bring her energy and dedication to improving our community. Her vision of an efficient, sustainable 21st century transit system and the job creation it will bring is just what Mapleville has been waiting for. Community News Now endorses Tracy Bell in the upcoming election.

SOURCE: Community News Today

   