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Houston, Pontier to run for Morris Plains Borough Council

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BILL HOUSTON



TYLER PONTIER

MORRIS PLAINS – Democrats Bill Houston and Tyler Pontier have announced their candidacy for the Borough Council. The two men gained the support of the Morris Plains Democratic Committee.

“The two candidates are passionate about their family-friendly community and want to play a part in shaping its future,” the committee said in a release announcing their candidacy.

They will face Republicans incumbent Cathie Kelly, who is seeking her third three-year term, and Adam Tyburski, a first-time candidate, in the Tuesday, Nov. 5 general election. Dennis Wagner, who will finish his first term in December, decided not to seek re-election.

Houston and his wife, Meghan, chose Morris Plains as their home in 2008, having long-standing family connections to the community. Bill Houston ran for Council last year and came in just short of a win against two incumbents. He regularly attends town meetings, videotaping the proceedings to ensure that residents are kept informed. He resides on Glenbrook Road.

Professionally, Houston implements cost-effective technology solutions that enhance communications and processes in corporate settings. He served in the United States Coast Guard Reserve for eight years and is a past member of the Morris Plains Fire Department, where his son is now a volunteer. Meghan Houston has been a member of the Recreation Commission. The children attended Mountain Way School and are enrolled at Borough School.

Pontier and his wife, Meredith, also made a deliberate decision to raise their family in Morris Plains and have been enthusiastic residents ever since, the committee said. They have twin 8-year-old daughters, as well as two French bulldogs. The girls attended Mountain Way School, where Tyler Pontier was class parent, and are now at Borough School. Pontier serves on the Morris Plains Rotary Board of Directors and is enjoying his career in real estate, working locally. Pontier resides on Hillside Court East.

The candidates said they look forward to the campaign, listening to residents and learning more about how they can serve them if elected to the Borough Council.

The terms of Republicans Cathie Kelly and Dennis Wagner expire in December.

The primary election will be held in June.

