After 49-years...

Fed-up former farmer describes his plan to <u>control taxes</u>... <u>fix roads</u>... create <u>new revenue</u>... and see West Lincoln realize its <u>full potential</u>... in three years or less

Do you wonder...

• Why West Lincoln doesn't seem to have the money to maintain or improve our rural roads?

Yet we hire more town staff... our budget keeps growing... and our **taxes keep going up**.

 Why almost half a million dollars of your property taxes are going to help build a new YMCA in Grimsby?

Our current mayor wants a multi-functional recreation facility in West Lincoln. And I agree.

Then **why did she support the YMCA in Grimsby** – to the tune of **\$420,000** – and then propose a gym for a new recreation centre?

Isn't building *two* gyms <u>wasteful</u>? And if demand for a gym exists, why hasn't one already opened here?

 Why Regional government – which already takes 50 percent of your property taxes – has too much say over what happens in West Lincoln?

The Region has tied the hands of *our* planner, preventing necessary upgrades from being done.

Well, I wonder about those things too.

Hi I'm Paul Keizer

And it's time a West Lincoln mayor advocates for you

In the past you may have been...

Tempted to vote for a mayor simply because you haven't noticed anything done wrong.

This time **vote** for a **mayor** who wants to **serve you**.

We <u>need</u> businesses – for jobs and for taxes

Right now there is no **residential-commercial balance** – it's out of whack.

- The town spends all its money delivering services to houses... and yet even more subdivisions are in development
- Taxes climb up and up... year after year... with **no end** in sight

There is a solution...

Get business to locate in West Lincoln.

Now that's simple... not easy.

<u>Every other community</u> is trying to **attract business**.

That's because **businesses bring jobs** and **pay taxes**... while not requiring as many services.

And yet it **seems nobody in West Lincoln** is **working** to **bring businesses** here.

The August 4th 2010 edition of *Grimsby Lincoln News Focus on West Lincoln* quoted our current mayor saying, "We've had many businesses approach us, **but** we don't have the room at the moment to provide them."

As your mayor it's <u>my job</u> to get land ready so the **next time a business comes looking** for land it **STAYS in West Lincoln**... bringing **jobs** and **revenue**.

My plan is to...

- Control taxes
- Maintain small town feel
- Preserve rural lifestyle
- Stimulate business growth for jobs
- Develop recreational facilities

In other words... help West Lincoln prepare to invest in itself.

As Your Mayor, I'll do three things...

- 1. Focus on **commercial growth**, to **generate revenue** that will control property taxes. The more businesses we bring and keep in town, the **more dollars** that are **kept in town**.
- 2. **Control property taxes** from increasing... we must **create revenue** by **developing land** for **business uses**.

We can use that revenue to provide residents with multi-function recreation facilities... senior centers... splash pads... ice pads... skate parks... riding trails, and whatever **West Lincoln residents decide** they want.

3. Develop a plan to **upgrade our gravel roads** to hard surfaces, and <u>properly maintain</u> both urban and rural roads.

And here's where you come in...

Making the most of everything West Lincoln has to offer **involves** more than a great mayor... it also requires **YOU**.

To **prove** to voters like you **I'm the best candidate** means spreading my news.

Spreading my news requires: letters... print ads... radio ads... signs... events...

In other words... a campaign for mayor requires money.

- Your contribution makes the most important impact
- Your financial support makes improving our community possible
- By supporting my campaign for mayor, you are the key ingredient
- It's an incredibly satisfying feeling

Voting day is fast approaching – Call me now to contribute Together we can realize the promise of our community

Thank you,

Paul Keizer

PS: Only **4,100** votes were cast in the last West Lincoln township election.

You CAN make a difference... more than in any other election.

Contribute now and let me hear your voice
Tell me your comments, suggestions, and concerns

Why I'm qualified to be your mayor... you deserve to know

If you're a farmer...

For 16 years I enjoyed dairy farming in West Lincoln.

The **hard work** and **dedication** necessary to be a successful farmer helped **prepare me** to be a **good mayor**.

If you serve our community...

Then we have something else in common... because **I've always served** our community in some aspect. For several years I was a director on the **Poultryfest Committee**... including one year as **chairman**.

Currently I'm serving my **second term** as **president** of the West Lincoln **Chamber of Commerce**.

Previously I served you for **three years as alderman**... two of those as **chair** of the **Public Works** committee.

The council I served on back then worked for the ENTIRE community. While we didn't always agree, we created a pact that we'd **work together** to **improve** West Lincoln. We weren't territorial.

In that term I believe **we improved more roads** than any previous council. We had a **good working relationship**. All six of us got along. I was part of a progressive council.

I didn't step on any toes as an alderman. I voted the way I saw things... *not* for who was bringing them up for discussion.

If you're a business owner...

In 1987 I brought Home Hardware to Smithville. Since 1990 I've owned and run PJK construction.

As a farmer... I understand the needs of the farming community.

As an alderman... I <u>understand</u> how to **work with people** and **the system** to **achieve results**.

As a builder... I <u>understand</u> the process that all of us must go through when requiring permits. To become successful in business I've also learned how to **serve** and **satisfy customers**.

As your mayor... you are my customer. I'm responsible to you. I value your opinion.

<u>Make a difference</u> in West Lincoln – Call me now to contribute **Tell me your comments, suggestions, and concerns.** *Thank you*