

## **Lyon County Commission - 3<sup>rd</sup> District**

### **Chris Bartel, Republican**

**Occupation:** Business owner and partner. Farm, ranch, custom haying, after a decade in operations management in two Emporia businesses.

**Number of years in District:** 50 years. Born in Newman hospital, grade school and high school in Olpe, then graduated Emporia State University with a bachelor's in Business Administration.

#### **What prompted you to run as a candidate for Lyon County Commission?**

I am running for this position because I care about the folks and their families in our area. It's who I am and how I was raised. I believe with my education and experience I can make a difference at the local level helping people and by running the county more like a business, control expenses and hopefully provide property tax relief.

#### **What do you see as the County Commission's role regarding/ensuring the quality of life in Lyon County?**

The commission has responsibility to all county citizens to provide safety and opportunity to live and succeed. I believe the stifling taxes we are paying is hurting our community and holding us back from enticing new business and new investments and new residents.

#### **What are your 3 top priorities?**

1. Lowering property taxes.
2. Improving the gravel infrastructure.
3. Improving transparency at the local level.

#### **What do you think sets you apart from the other candidates?**

I believe what sets me apart from the other candidates is first my business education. I'm the only candidate that can say they went to college and received a degree in Business. Second is the 25 plus years of experience managing other people's and my own successful businesses. Integrity is something I can brag on as well, doing what's right even when it's not the easy thing to do.

#### **If people would like more information, can they find you on social media, and if so, how?**

My Facebook page is

<https://www.facebook.com/share/mCTJCrXopXmctYG4/?mibextid=oFDknk>

If elected I will use it as a venue to keep information available for anyone who wants to keep up on county happenings! I am available to listen to concerns and questions anytime. My number is 620-344-1035. My email is [bartelfarms@yahoo.com](mailto:bartelfarms@yahoo.com). if you want to know a little more about me just ask, and be watching the shopper the next few weeks! I am asking a few people that have known me to speak about me in their words. I would rather you see

what others say than for me to brag on myself. It seems to me when folks brag on themselves it's because nobody else will!

**Anything else you would like the citizens of your district to know about you?**

The thing I want Lyon County residents to know about me is that I am investing my time, energy, and capital in this because I care about them and their families as well as mine! I'm not happy about the way our tax dollars are being spent and how high all of our property taxes are. The people who know me know how serious I am about this and I will do everything I can to make a difference in all our lives. If you have comments, questions, or concerns please contact me!!