

**VOTER GUIDE – NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ROYAL OAK**

**Tuesday, November 3, 2020**  
**POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.**

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OAKLAND AREA**

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**3 Candidates for TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR for ONE 4-year term**

<b>CANDIDATES for SUPERVISOR</b>  <b>ONE 4-year term</b> <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i>	<b>Question 1 (150 Words or less):</b> <b>Provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Township office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.</b>	<b>Question 2 (150 Words or less):</b> <b>What are the top 3 Priority Issues facing your township and what actions would you, as a township official, take regarding each of them?</b>
<i>Democrat</i> <b>DONNA SQUALLS</b> 21241 Westview Ave. Ferndale, MI 48220	<b>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</b>	

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<p><i>No Party Affiliation</i>  <b>CARY M. JUNIOR</b>                      P.O. Box 1493                      Royal Oak, MI 48068'</p>	<p>It is important that we elect individuals who have a desire to make a difference and demonstrate accountability, integrity, and experience. I have served the Township for over 25 years while serving in several capacities. With this experience, I have a greater understanding of the issues we face and capable of providing solutions. It is my objective to lead this community in a team effort and position it for a stable future.</p> <p>I previously served the Township in several capacities: Economic Development Official (2009 – 2017), Planning Commission (1992- 2017), Downtown Development Authority (1992 – 2017), Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (2006 – 2017), Board of Trustees (1998-2000),</p> <p>SEMCOG Representative (1994 - 2017); SEMCOG Executive Board Township Alternate (2014-2016)</p> <p>Established the Royal Town Farmer's Market that operated in 2011-2013.</p> <p>MSU Extension Oakland County Leadership Council (2018-present) Vice Chair</p> <p>Also served the State of Michigan by Governor appointments: MI Board of Professional Engineers (2009 – 2016) MI Dept of Education Subcommittee Committee (1995-98).</p>	<p>The priority issues facing our community as follows: 1) Promote community development with a housing and businesses strategy. I will continue to work to help improve and enforce laws while encouraging development. 2) Developing an infrastructure plan for improved roads, water and sewer. I will continue to initiate proposals for infrastructure projects and seek funding for them. 3) Ensure effective municipal operations and its services that include improved communication with residents and neighboring communities, and enhancing education, recreation and senior opportunities.</p> <p>I will assess existing methods, establish goals, monitor productivity and encourage training where necessary.</p>

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<p><i>No Party Affiliation</i>  <b>FELICIA ROYAL</b>                      20817 Parkside Blvd.                      Ferndale, MI 48220</p>	<p>Felicia Royal is a native resident of Royal Oak Township. Growing up in our community Felicia remembers a Police &amp; Fire Department, Sanitation Department, Township Hall, and a thriving Recreation Center. The Recreation Center is where Felicia spent many summer days participating in Dance, Modeling, Arts &amp; Craft and Girl Scout. Being a Girl Scout taught Felicia to help others, therefore, in her later years, Felicia returned to the Recreation Center, became the Cheerleader Coach and hosted many events such as Dances, Talent shows and Eloquent Balls for the youth.</p> <p>The youth in our community inspire Felicia’s vision to revitalize our neighborhood and work towards building “One Royal Oak Township.” One Royal Oak Township entitles all citizens to have a voice and work together to create the environment we deserve. Creating the environment we deserve is achieved by fighting to erase a stigma that’s been running our society; this stigma is electing and appointing people based on name recognition rather than their qualifications or education. Felicia's educational background in business &amp; project management, plus years of managing teams, has equipped her for such a time as this.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental &amp; Failing Infrastructures; Our Water/Sewers, Streets/Sidewalks and Sinkholes etc</li> <li>• Blight</li> <li>• Economic Development</li> </ul> <p>As a Royal Oak Township Official the actions I will take regarding the above mentioned issues our community face is to immediately meet with our County Commissioner, State Representative, State Senator, and Congress woman to see how they can help our Township and assist me in figuring out how we can bring back some of the tax dollars we send to Pontiac, Lansing, and Washington D.C every year. As well, I will meet with other stake holders in our Township such as Pastors of the various churches and business owners to discuss Corporate Social Responsibilities and joint efforts to tackle the issues in our community. The Charter Township of Royal Oak, Michigan is 0.8 square miles. We cannot survive on property taxes alone. As a leader of our community I will attract more businesses to generate more revenue. Royal Oak Township sits inside of one of the most affluent counties in the United States of America; there has to be some type of relief for our issues within County Government.</p>

### 1 Candidate for TOWNSHIP CLERK for ONE 4-year term

**GWENDOLYN W. TURNER**                      8112 Cloverdale Ave, Ferndale, MI 48220

### 1 Candidate for TREASURER for ONE 4-year term

**PATRICIA SINGLEY**                      21360 Majestic Ave., Ferndale, MI 48220

### 4 Candidates for TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE for FOUR 4-year terms

- WANDA ALLEN**                      10708 Cloverdale, Ferndale, MI 48220
- KAREN D. BALLARD**                      8415 Groveview, Ferndale, MI 48220
- JEFF CUSHINGBERRY**                      10679 Fitzgerald S., Ferndale, MI 48220
- DEJA VASQUEZ**                      21014 S. Hart Place, Ferndale, MI 48220

## **ROYAL OAK TOWNSHIP (Continued)**

### **7 Candidates for TOWNSHIP PARK COMMISSIONER for SEVEN 4-year terms**

**LAWRENCE COCHRAN, JR.** 8131 Cloverdale, Ferndale, MI 48220

**FAYE SNIDER GIBSON** 21434 Bethlawn, Ferndale, MI 48220

**DENNIS L. KING** 21203 N. King Place, Ferndale, MI 48220

**NYKOLAS MARTIN** 10485 Cloverdale, Ferndale, MI 48220

**D. MIKE RAMEY** 21243 N. King, Ferndale, MI 48220

**CASSANDRA RESPRESS** 21238 N. Evers Place, Ferndale, MI 48220

**LATRCIA WILBOURN** 8131 Cloverdale, Ferndale, MI 48220

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