

Candidate Profile

Candidate: *Jamie Mieras*

Years in Estes Park: *1 year, 26 years in the Front Range*

Prior Experience - Career Information: *Foot and Ankle Surgeon/ Podiatrist 15 yrs; Flight Instructor 2 yrs (CFII/ MEI Gold Seal), Prior work: Jr. Ranger, waitress, bagel and pizza maker, CU lab tech, greenhouse manager, IT Sys Admin, Research Study Coordinator, Tech trainer for startup*

Previous Participation on Town Boards or Committees: *Limited. I was asked to run as I have “a good mind”, a calm demeanor, and can make non-biased decisions in the best interest of all residents of Estes. Significant leadership experience as a surgeon and flight instructor.*

Educational Background: *Doctor of Podiatric Medicine: Midwestern University. Phoenix AZ Residency: Scripps - Kaiser, San Diego / Sacramento CA BA University of Colorado- Boulder: EPO Biology*

Narrative: *

I am a Colorado native with deep roots in the Front Range and a lifelong connection to Estes Park. Raised in Boulder, I spent much of my childhood in Estes, developing a lasting appreciation for the community, its people, and its mountain lifestyle. That connection has been reinforced through 25 years of trail running and ultramarathon experience on local trails.

With over a decade in medical practice, I have worked in diverse healthcare settings—from large urban hospital systems to rural communities where I served as the only podiatrist within 200 miles. These experiences provided firsthand insight into healthcare access, operational challenges, and the importance of thoughtful, forward-looking leadership for long-term community health.

As a candidate for Trustee, I am committed to collaborative governance that supports residents and visitors while protecting our natural and community resources. My goal is to listen to our diverse perspectives and help guide decisions that best serve the community as a whole. As Estes Park moves forward, we can continue to support small businesses and a thriving tourism economy while preserving the serenity valued by residents. We can expand housing options for our workforce, invest in critical infrastructure, and make choices that protect the natural beauty that defines our town—always with a focus on the long-term health of Estes Park and its people.

My non-linear path to medicine reflects my curiosity, commitment to lifelong learning, and natural approach to problem-solving, grounded in compassion and respect for all. As a flight instructor, I value preparation, situational awareness, and teamwork—skills I would bring to my role as Trustee. I would be honored to give back to a community that has always felt like home.