



**Stuart Lakernick**

Over the past year, I've had the honor of serving as President of our association, working to strengthen our community while preserving its unique character. I'm proud of what we've accomplished together—from the construction of our Veterans Memorial to key beautification efforts that have enhanced the look and feel of our shared spaces.

We've made major infrastructure improvements, including the development of the new racquet center—all while keeping assessments low and budgets balanced. We've also increased public safety by adding new police officers to our force, ensuring quicker response times and greater community presence.

Beautification has been a key focus—improving landscaping, signage, and common areas to make our neighborhood more inviting and enjoyable for all. These improvements reflect pride in where we live and contribute to property values and community spirit.

Looking ahead, my top priority is getting shovels in the ground for the much-needed Southside Firehouse. I bring experience, a steady hand, and a strong vision for continued progress.

I respectfully ask for your vote so we can continue building on our momentum. Together, we can keep our community safe, beautiful, and thriving.



**Monica Rakowski**

My name is Monica Rakowski, I have served as the Ocean Pines Treasurer on the Board of Directors for the past three years. As a Professional Services consultant I provide accounting practices, project management, implementation and training for Fortune 500 companies. Skills I developed in my professional life allow me to apply them to the job as a director.

I love everything about Ocean Pines. The people, the amenities, and the natural environment that surrounds us. I have volunteered since I was fourteen years old. Volunteering to run for a director position made sense for me.

If re-elected Ocean Pines finances will remain a top priority for me. As a member of the board I will ensure we have enough reserves to address road issues, drainage and any other crucial projects that may arise. I promise to fully support the renovation of the Southside Firehouse. Safety, property values and maintaining the beautification of Ocean Pines are issues that I will without fail support.



**Steve Jacobs**

I am currently completing my first 3-year term on the Ocean Pines Board of Directors.

I am a member of Temple Bat Yam, Berlin, Maryland.

Previously I was a member of the Ocean Pines By-Laws and Resolutions Advisory Committee and the Golf Advisory Committee. Former President of the Hardings Run Homeowners Association (3 years). Served for three years on the East County Advisory Board (2 years as Chair) in Montgomery County.

I have a BS Degree in Political Science from The American University, Washington D. C. and a J. D. Degree from the Catholic University of America also in Washington, D. C. Admitted to the Maryland and District of Columbia Bar, now retired.

Employed for approximately 9 years for Republican and Democratic members of the U. S. House of Representatives, worked for 2 trade associations as Vice President, Government Relations.

Worked for two small private, general practice law firms. Employed by the Attorney General of Maryland, assigned to the Department of Human Resources in Howard County to litigate child support cases.



**Amy Peck**

I'm Amy Peck, and Ocean Pines has been my cherished home for 23 years. I raised my sons here, worked for OPA, volunteered extensively, and now enjoy retirement. This bond fuels my commitment to preserving our legacy and ensuring Ocean Pines evolves to benefit every resident.

I'm ready to serve from day one, drawing on my extensive understanding of Ocean Pines' history and its governing documents. My background as a paralegal equips me to research issues and rigorously evaluate projects for cost-effectiveness and community benefit, while my experience as a teacher has refined my active listening, empathy, and clear communication skills. These tools are essential for engaging with diverse homeowners, addressing concerns, and fostering consensus.

I'm running for the Board because I believe fiscal responsibility and a focus on essential needs must guide our decisions. Instead of chasing flashy projects, I will prioritize maintaining infrastructure, ensuring safety, and preserving our community's resources and natural beauty. I am here to listen, serve, and advocate for every resident in Ocean Pines.

Together, let's build on the strong foundation laid by our Founders to create a future that honors our past while meeting today's needs. I'd be honored to earn your vote.