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## General Information

All County Board and Commission members must be residents of Los Alamos County.

Once a resident fills out and submits this application, an interview is scheduled with the B&C's County Council liaison, the relevant staff liaison, and the B&C Chair. After the interviews, the applicants' names are presented to the full Council during a regularly scheduled Council meeting, where a vote is taken regarding the appointment of each applicant. Each applicant will be notified if they are appointed or not.

Only on-line applications will be considered.

*If you are interested in applying for the Board of Public Utilities, please contact Jamie Kephart at 505-662-8132.*

*If you are interested in applying for Labor Relations Board, please contact Denise Cassel at 505-662-8047.*

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## Profile

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### Board and Commission Application

Note: Please be aware that as a public entity, the County of Los Alamos, is obligated to furnish this information to the public if requested. Note also that current LANL employees, if appointed to a Board or Commission, may be required by LANL to complete a 701 form.

Eric

First Name

Stromberg

Last Name

Middle Initial

Street Address

Suite or Apt

State

City

Postal Code

Email Address

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

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**Party affiliation as registered: (Select one of the following) \***

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☒ Republican

**Registered to vote in Los Alamos?**

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☒ Yes ☐ No

**Saw it on the website**

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How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

**Do you currently serve on any County Board or Commission?**

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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If yes, which one? (Los Alamos County law prohibits residents from serving concurrently on more than one County board except as expressly approved in writing by the County Council before the appointment is made.)

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## **Interests & Experiences**

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

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Board of Public Utilities: Submitted

**Why would you like to serve on this particular Board or Commission?**

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It would be a good way to get more involved in the community

**What volunteer or professional activities have you participated in that could apply to this appointment?**

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I was appointed to the Electrical safety and licensing advisory board for the Texas department of licensing and regulation. I served on this board for about 8 years.

**The time involved may be 10-15 hours per month or more. Are you able to serve the volunteer hours and attend training needed to perform your duties as an appointee?**

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Yes

**What would you like to accomplish during your tenure on this Board or Commission?  
(Please identify any special interests you have that led you to become interested in serving  
on this Board or Commission.)**

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Help with the electrical issues on the board. i am the electrical standards point of contact for LANL (David Powell's position with the lab before he retired). As the point of contact, i get involved in all major (and most minor) issues at the Lab. The lab is currently involved in several large projects that affect the county. The new steam plant, the substation rebuild, replacement of the static VAR compensator, to name a few. I am also interested in the issues, if any, of LANL having its own utility group, and how this works out with the county and the power pool. I am a strong advocate of teamwork. I believe we should all be working together.

**Have you had any direct or indirect involvement with this Board or Commission or with the County staff supporting this Board or Commission or County Councilors? If so, please explain.**

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No

**Are there any issue or matters, financial or otherwise, that you are now or might become involved in that may come before the Board or Commission for which you seek appointment?**

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No

If you have any questions, please contact Libby Carlsten at 505-662-8261 or [libby.carlsten@lacnm.us](mailto:libby.carlsten@lacnm.us)



# LOS ALAMOS COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES (BPU) INTERVIEW PANEL QUESTIONS

April & May 2018

LOS ALAMOS

Eric Stromberg

Applicant's Name

JEFF JOHNSON

Interviewer Name

BPU

Board or Commission

4-24-18 / 11:00 AM

Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:

☒ Personally

☐ Telephone

**NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL:** Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. Elec. Engineer / Electrician Involved in Life Safety Equipment installation; Taught for PE Exam; Elec. Standards PUL for LAM; Elec. Safety Committee @ LANL; Teach Elec. Safety & Codes & Standards in NM HAVE PE @ TEXAS
2	What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.] No real Definitive answer ~ Talked about Bisection of Gov. Systems from LANL; for example Elec. Distribution w/ LANL/Town/Bandelier
3	How do you perceive the role of the BPU in local government? How should the BPU interact with other parts of local government, including county staff and the County Council? Understands BPU has some autonomy relative to other Boards
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? Rational; thoughtful ~ Consider unintended consequences Patience slow acting/meth.
5	What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff, the County Council and the BPU? Suggest taking long view ~ many times folks are in agreement & need to find commonality

6	As a board member, what actions would you take to make sure that you have enough input to accurately represent the interests of the citizens and ratepayers of Los Alamos County? <i>Be studious &amp; Assess situations before making rash decision</i>
7	Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure? <i>on HOA's ; Elec. Safety Advisory Board ; Elec. Exam Review Board ; Site skill at seeing multiple points of view or all alternative interpretations in different things on Bathub row Board</i>
8	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? <i>No</i>
9	Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity? <i>Yes</i>
10	Are you aware that, as a member of a Los Alamos County Board or Commission, your written communications, including e-mails, are public records (even if produced on your personal computer), and as such are subject to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act. If any of these public records are requested for review/inspection under the Act you may need to produce them. Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board? <i>Yes - Aware ; No not an issue ; understands Public meetings Act</i>
11	Currently, a few boards or commissions are "live streaming" their meetings (for example, the T-Board, Parks and Recreation Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission.) In the future, this may be required of all boards. If you're applying for one of the boards currently streaming or if it becomes a requirement for all B&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve? <i>No, familiar with this based on Texas board experience</i>
12	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]
13	Do you have any questions for the interview panel?

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# LOS ALAMOS COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES (BPU) INTERVIEW PANEL QUESTIONS

LOS ALAMOS

April & May 2018

Eric Stromberg  
Applicant's Name

Utilities  
Board or Commission

Tim Glasco  
Interviewer Name

4/24/18 11:00 AM  
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:  
X Personally  
\_\_\_\_ Telephone

**NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL:** Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. <i>Electrical Engineer, worked as an electrician during college. Has worked as an electrical technician. Worked for O&amp;W chemical in Houston. Also worked in construction management for O&amp;W. Taught courses for PE exam and worked on the licensing board in Texas. Works as an electrical inspector and safety inspector for LANL.</i>
2	What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.] <i>Has some ignorance on current issues. Believes that separation between LANL and LAC is still an issue. Also believes in teamwork and working together.</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of the BPU in local government? How should the BPU interact with other parts of local government, including county staff and the County Council? <i>BPU has some authority as opposed to a purely advisory role.</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>Patience is required. Be wary of knee jerk reactions. Must think things through to avoid unintended consequences.</i>
5	What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff, the County Council and the BPU? <i>Listen and look for areas of agreement. Work on bringing everyone together to focus on commonalities.</i>

6	As a board member, what actions would you take to make sure that you have enough input to accurately represent the interests of the citizens and ratepayers of Los Alamos County? <i>Make sure you do your homework. Look at history and background and understand thoroughly before you make a decision.</i>
7	Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure? <i>Was president of a homeowners assoc., worked on the PE exam board for state of Texas. Nothing within the last 5 yrs. Was on the board for the Bathrup Row Brewery.</i>
8	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? <i>Not familiar.</i>
9	Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity? <i>Yes he is.</i>
10	Are you aware that, as a member of a Los Alamos County Board or Commission, your written communications, including e-mails, are public records (even if produced on your personal computer), and as such are subject to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act. If any of these public records are requested for review/inspection under the Act you may need to produce them. Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board? <i>Yes he is familiar with this. No, it is not a deterrent.</i>
11	Currently, a few boards or commissions are “live streaming” their meetings (for example, the T-Board, Parks and Recreation Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission.) In the future, this may be required of all boards. If you’re applying for one of the boards currently streaming or if it becomes a requirement for all B&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve? <i>No it is not a deterrent.</i>
12	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]
13	Do you have any questions for the interview panel?

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# LOS ALAMOS COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES (BPU) INTERVIEW PANEL QUESTIONS

LOS ALAMOS

April & May 2018

Eric Stromberg  
Applicant's Name

Utility Board  
Board or Commission

Christine Cheweller  
Interviewer Name

4/24/2018 - 11:00 AM  
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:  
X Personally  
\_\_\_\_ Telephone

**NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL:** Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	<p>Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission.</p> <p><i>P.E. Apprentice Wireman; Univ of Houston - Electrical Engineering; Journeyman wireman Electric safety tech - fire alarm super.; Dow Chemical - Engineering Group. The construction management; mid 1990 - Teaching electric code. Electric safety. Mike Holt training DVD's - Alot; 2013 - Electrical inspection. Electric Safety.</i></p>
2	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.]</p> <p><i>Believes in team work. Hard to separate County from Lab? Hard to do.</i></p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of the BPU in local government? How should the BPU interact with other parts of local government, including county staff and the County Council?</p> <p><i>The BPU has authority to do things unlike other boards.</i></p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p><i>Careful about knee <del>idea</del> reaction?</i></p>
5	<p>What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff, the County Council and the BPU?</p> <p><i>A lot of times we are in more agreement than we think? Bring people together. Careful lack of conflict - common ground.</i></p>



6	<p>As a board member, what actions would you take to make sure that you have enough input to accurately represent the interests of the citizens and ratepayers of Los Alamos County?</p> <p>Meticulous homework. find out as many facts as possible. Understand the history. Wonder about something... learn the history.</p>
7	<p>Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&amp;Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure?</p> <p>Not within last 5 years – Bathub Row Brewing – Had been president of Homeowner Association – Exam creation board Ability to read stuff and see lots of different ways it can be interpreted.</p>
8	<p>Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for?</p> <p>No.</p>
9	<p>Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity?</p> <p>Yes.</p>
10	<p>Are you aware that, as a member of a Los Alamos County Board or Commission, your written communications, including e-mails, are public records (even if produced on your personal computer), and as such are subject to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act. If any of these public records are requested for review/inspection under the Act you may need to produce them. Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board?</p> <p>Yes. Not a deterrent.</p>
11	<p>Currently, a few boards or commissions are “live streaming” their meetings (for example, the T-Board, Parks and Recreation Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission.) In the future, this may be required of all boards. If you’re applying for one of the boards currently streaming or if it becomes a requirement for all B&amp;Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve?</p> <p>No. <del>Not</del> Texas made a video available v.a archive.</p>
12	<p>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]</p>
13	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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# LOS ALAMOS COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES (BPU) INTERVIEW PANEL QUESTIONS

LOS ALAMOS

April & May 2018

ERIC STROMBERG  
Applicant's Name

PUBLIC UTILITIES  
Board or Commission

PEP SHEEHY  
Interviewer Name

4/24 11 AM  
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:  
X Personally  
\_\_\_\_ Telephone

**NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL:** Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	<p>Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission.</p> <p><i>P.E. EE (IN TEXAS) ELECTRICAL TECHNICIAN, WORKED UP TO FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION, DOW CHEMICAL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION, TAUGHT ENGINEERING COURSES; MAKE ELEC CODE TRAINING DVDs. TO LAB IN 2013, HAS DONE A LOT OF ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION, BUT EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS NEED TO IMPROVE (LESS JARGON). IN CHARGE OF STANDARDS</i></p>
2	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.]</p> <p><i>ATLAN. COUNTY: CLAIM IGNORANCE. FIRMLY BELIEVE IN TEAMWORK, LAB-COUNTY TEAM DOW CHEMICAL WAS INTEGRATED, NOW LESS SO, PROBLEM NEEDS WORK. BPU: NEED NEW RATE STRUCTURES. ELECTRICAL SUB-STATION BETWEEN LANLE COUNTY ARE AN AREA OF CONTENTION</i></p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of the BPU in local government? How should the BPU interact with other parts of local government, including county staff and the County Council?</p> <p><i>BPU HAS MORE AUTHORITY THAN SOME ADVISORY BOARDS, WILL LEARN AS WE GO.</i></p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p><i>PATIENCE, AVOID KNEE-JERK REACTIONS, UNINTENDED RAMIFICATIONS ARISE, THINK DEEPLY. YOU NEVER SOLVE PROBLEMS, YOU TRADE PROBLEMS,</i></p>
5	<p>What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff, the County Council and the BPU?</p> <p><i>POINT OUT COMMON INTERESTS BETWEEN ARGUING PARTIES. LOOK AT LONG-TERM AND SHORT TERM, EXPLAIN</i></p>

6	As a board member, what actions would you take to make sure that you have enough input to accurately represent the interests of the citizens and ratepayers of Los Alamos County? <i>HOMEWORK, FIND FACTS &amp; HISTORY. HISTORY OFTEN EXPLAINS THINGS, SLOW DOWN.</i>
7	Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure? <i>WAS PRESIDENT OF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; BOARD OF BATHTUB ROW BO-OP, ELEC. SAFETY ADVISORY BO &amp; EXAM CREATION BOARD FOR TEXAS CAN READ THINGS &amp; SEE DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS.</i>
8	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? <i>NO</i>
9	Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity? <i>YES</i>
10	Are you aware that, as a member of a Los Alamos County Board or Commission, your written communications, including e-mails, are public records (even if produced on your personal computer), and as such are subject to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act. If any of these public records are requested for review/inspection under the Act you may need to produce them. Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board? <i>FAMILIAR, NOT A DETERRENT, SIMILAR REGULATIONS IN TEXAS</i>
11	Currently, a few boards or commissions are “live streaming” their meetings (for example, the T-Board, Parks and Recreation Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission.) In the future, this may be required of all boards. If you’re applying for one of the boards currently streaming or if it becomes a requirement for all B&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve? <i>NO, DID THIS BEFORE IN TEXAS</i>
12	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.] <i>EXPERIENCE AT LAB: EMPHASIS SHOULD BE TO GET JOB DONE AS SAFELY AS POSSIBLE, NOT “STOP WORK.” INTERESTING CONTRAST TO DOW CHEMICAL. TIME DEMANDS: OK, BUT NOT READY FOR LEADERSHIP. THIS IS POLICY-MAKING JOB, NOT SUPERVISORY OF OPERATIONS</i>
13	Do you have any questions for the interview panel? <i>WILLING TO LEARN ABOUT CITY GOVT,</i>
	<i>HE SEES HIS ROLE AS P.E. FORELECTRICAL, SEEKS HELP FROM OTHER FIELD EXPERTS, SEES ROLE AS ADDITIONAL PERSPECTIVE AT BPU TABLE.</i>

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