## **EVESHAM DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES STAYING THE COURSE**

Evesham Democratic candidates forging ahead following withdrawal of Republican Mayor Brown from race

September 12, 2018 - Following the announcement that the Evesham Republican ticket for Mayor and Council is changing at the last minute, the Evesham Democratic ticket, headed by Jaclyn (Jackie) Veasy for Mayor of Evesham Township and Heather Cooper & Patricia (Pat) Hansen for two seats on the Evesham Township Council, are ensuring voters that their ticket and platform proudly remains the same as it did when they filed to run on April 2nd.

Democratic Mayoral candidate Jaclyn Veasy, a lifelong resident of Evesham Township and Senior Claims Adjuster at a national insurance company, said that "no matter who is on the ballot, voters in Evesham deserve new leadership and vision based on listening and responding to the residents. That hasn't changed for our team and we will keep up our message and platform of strengthening Evesham's economy and making it a government by and for the people regardless of who our opponents are."

Heather Cooper, one of the Democratic candidates for Evesham Township Council, noted that "this doesn't really change anything. Jackie, Pat, and I have been campaigning for months now with so much positive responses and a readiness for change regardless of whether voters knew who our opponents are."

"Besides a really positive response from so many voters, they've been really enthusiastic to have different viewpoints finally represented on Council. They want people like us who want to listen and be an authentic voice for the voters, not for special interests and big donors," said Patricia Hansen, candidate for Evesham Township Council.

"One person withdrawing from the race doesn't erase the remaining Evesham Republican candidate's record of support for Mayor Brown's agenda; doesn't change the fact that they've been in office for eight years already; have given away tax abatements for luxury apartments; neglected to listen to or respect so many residents; and have enabled bad behavior and negative headlines for our town for years now," said Evesham Township Democratic Chair Philip Warren.

Ms. Veasy, Ms. Cooper, and Ms. Hansen jointly said that, in regards to Mayor Brown's withdrawal, they "appreciate any individual who volunteers to run for office and serves their community. The Mayor certainly has made his mark on Evesham. We continue to accept the challenge of reaching as many voters as possible and, starting January 1st, changing the culture of our Township Council for the better and putting Evesham on the right track for everyone."