Balance North Idaho today announces endorsements for the following city council candidates in their respective November 2015 elections:

# Coeur d'Alene City Council:

# Seat 1: Ron Edinger:

Councilman Edinger demonstrated his vast experience, dedication to the community, enthusiasm and energy for maintaining his position on the Coeur d'Alene City Council. He a proponent of the arts, fire and police, working to find solutions for the homeless population, the upcoming 4 corners project and getting back the carousel. We are convinced this kind man will continue to do an excellent job representing the people of this community.

## Seat 5: No Endorsement

After interviewing the candidates for this seat, the Balance NI Board felt there was not a candidate of substance to warrant an endorsement.

## Post Falls City Council:

## Seat 3: Joe Malloy

Joe Malloy is a very involved, thoughtful community member and councilman. He brings a younger demographic viewpoint to the council makeup and has wise views for improving the city for all, including working hard on ADA compliance within the streets and trail development for biker safety. He is glad to have the overpass to help get emergency services to and from segments of the town faster. He is a fan of the PF Police and Fire Departments. He feels diversity in city hiring is essential and wants to make the best use of city land.

## Seat 5: Lynn Borders

Lynn Borders has been very involved within the city of Post Falls and wants to continue to see it get shaped well. He is a former accountant, fire inspector, fire chief of 25 years and has been on planning and zoning. This experience provides him with diverse knowledge to apply to a council term. He wants to improve relations with smaller businesses vs. just focusing on the larger ones, do more to make PF a little more attractive. He believes that sharing resources between fire and police will better serve the community. He is a proponent of bicycle infrastructure and wants to develop a stronger balance of jobs and people.

#### Hayden City Council:

#### Seat 1: Tim Timmins

Spend some time with Tim Timmins and you will see that his heart and time are dedicated to making Hayden the best community for citizens and businesses. He may not be an avid art enthusiast, but he is enjoying the positive energy being created by the Hayden Arts Commission. He recognizes the community needs 3-4x more police, but is grateful that Coeur d'Alene and the Kootenai County Sherriff always lend a hand when they need it. He recuses himself from any decisions between the current NIBCA conflict with Hayden. This man has a genuine heart for the community and works hard for it.

#### **About Balance North Idaho**

Balance North Idaho is a Political Action Committee created to endorse and promote candidates and issues in local non-partisan elections. Endorsements will be made using facts, qualifications, and a structured interview and evaluation process. Endorsements will not be made based on political party. Candidates will be evaluated based on their goals, experience, qualifications, and views for the future. Issues will be evaluated based on their benefit to the community while weighing a variety of other factors, including financial impact. In all regards, Balance North Idaho's recommendations will aim to be fiscally responsible and promote candidates and issues that will have a positive impact on the growth and development of Coeur d'Alene and Kootenai County. For more info visit www.balanceni.com.