



## Coweta County Board of Commissioners, District 4

**General Election: November 3, 2020**

**Early Voting: October 12 – 30, 2020**

Candidate	Pearl Presley (D)	John Reidelbach (R)
<b># of years in Coweta County</b>	19 years	28 years
<b>Education</b>	PhD in Christian Counseling	Engineering, Technical Education, and an MBA
<b>Work/Professional Experience</b>	Real estate broker for over 45 years; taught school for 5 years; ordained minister of the gospel; pastor of New Deliverance Ministries; business owner.	12 years as a Department of Defense SWS contractor; Healthcare Consultant for 26 years working with clients nationwide and in Coweta. During my time in the County, my wife and I were co-owners of Crossroads Jewelers, Outlaw Leather & Biker, and Coweta Custom Cycles.
<b>Community Service/Volunteerism</b>	Feed the hungry, donations of clothing, and served as Secretary of the Springwater Plantation for my neighborhood.	Six years as Treasurer and Fiduciary of Arlington Christian School (Fairburn, GA); co-founder of Newnan-Coweta Emergency Response (CERT); 12 years with Coweta Chapter of the American Red Cross. Three years, each, as board member, Finance Chair, Vice Chair and Chairman.
<b>Political Experience</b>	I serve on the Coweta County Convention & Visitors Bureau board.	I have aspired to be more involved with local politics, and now that I'm at a position in my career that I can focus on serving Coweta and District 4.
<b>Question 1</b> Describe what you believe makes Coweta County most appealing to both current and future residents.	Good schools and low taxes.	Coweta has great opportunity to maintain the small community feel that we have grown to know over the past 28 years and, frankly, why we moved back in 1996 after a 2-year move to Indiana. The most appealing for businesses is that it can open, or locate, a business 35 minutes from the busiest airport in the world and still not be in the hustle and bustle of

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		a metropolitan city. I have lived in the same neighborhood for 25 years and my family still feels fortunate to have that small-town community feel.
<b>Question 2</b> What top 3 assets does Coweta County possess which attract new business and stimulate growth of existing businesses?	1. Good schools 2. Public safety 3. Low taxes	1. Location and access to the busiest airport in the world 2. Top-rated education system 3. There are a number of small businesses that will meet the needs of a future citizen and larger businesses.
<b>Question 3</b> What do you think are the top challenges that could prevent economic prosperity and business growth?	Lack of diversity and transparency.	Understanding and listening to our community in regards to the development. We need to have a proper community, business, and commission-approved planning, zoning, and development outline for proper growth in our county.
<b>Question 4</b> Describe how you would use your elected position to promote business growth and economic prosperity in Coweta County.	I would use my elected position with honesty and transparency.	Work with County staff and management to assure the best for the County and its citizens. Although information about growth of the County and District 4 is sometimes hard to get, I will keep my constituents informed via social media, email blasts, and other means of communication when able to.
<b>Question 5</b> Describe your top priority in this role and how you might approach accomplishing it.	I will be a servant of the people. And always tell the truth.	Getting the community, commission, and developers to understand each other and to work together to make Coweta greater than it is now. I would accomplish this by bringing together developers, that want to grow here, with citizens to understand each other on how to be good neighbors and grow together in Coweta.
<b>Question 6</b> Coweta is experiencing the blessings and challenges of a fast-growing community. How would you best	I would manage these blessings by helping the commissioners to diversify with honesty and justice and continue to make sure we have good schools and safety in our community.	Again, by getting developers and community together in a town hall. This would allow the developers to explain what they would like to accomplish in Coweta. It would also allow the community to communicate what they need to be comfortable with the new development in the community. I will have a website dedicated to my district, and the County,

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manage these blessings and challenges to ensure a positive trajectory?		that will allow transparency for citizens to go to and see what is going on and when there might be town halls for developers and citizens to meet. My website <a href="http://www.reidelbach.us">www.reidelbach.us</a> already shares development projects that are approved and in process within Coweta.
<p><b>Question 7</b> Coweta is a great community. While we've been fortunate, we don't have the depth of challenges many fast-growing communities experience, we still must plan proactively for the future. What is your plan for how we will fund future fast growth and the pressures on existing infrastructure to ensure a continued rosy future?</p>	I would help our commissioners to reflect on the diversity of the County, in all the departments. The key is transparency in our government.	Working with developers and asking for their assistance with infrastructure input. We should not ask the citizens to be totally burdened with the cost of infrastructure demand born from new development. Coweta is a desirable location for growth and developers know this, and it is why they want to move to Coweta. We as a commission have a responsibility to the citizens and other local businesses, to assure balanced growth. This involves agreement with all parties, i.e., developers, citizens, local existing businesses, and County employees which make up our infrastructure such as law enforcement, fire, road, public works, etc.