

Kristina Rutherford

My family and I moved to Beach Haven in 2018 but we have been long time summer residents. My husband and I have 2 children, my daughter is an 8th grader at Southern Regional Middle School and my son is a 6th grader at Beach Haven Elementary. I am a nurse and have substituted as a school nurse in both districts on the island as well as Southern Regional School District and Stafford School District. I currently work full time in the Intermediate Elementary School within the Stafford School District. We are active members in our church here in town, Island Baptist Church on 3rd St. I currently serve as board chair for the Missions Board Committee. I have also served on leadership teams for women's ministry at Harvey Cedars Bible Conference. I am an active member of the Beach Haven PTA and help by organizing events for students and families to participate in. For the past two years, I have organized and ran the school lunch program. My family history here dates back to 1950 when my great-grandparents built there summer cottage on Centre Street. My great-grandfather was an engineer for the company that built the original Dorland J. Henderson Bridge which brings us all on to LBI. My grandmother was an active member of the LBI Historical Association volunteering in many events during her lifetime. Her passion for volunteerism set the example for me to be an active volunteer in the Beach Haven community. I spent many childhood summers here with my grandparents and have seen the changes Beach Haven has gone through over the years. I have worked in several Beach Haven businesses during my college years. I have a Bachelor's of Science degree in Nursing from Messiah College. I had worked for a successful health care consulting business for 12 years managing the human resources and budget aspects of the business. I believe these careers have helped me hone my skills to be an engaged listener, promote teamwork, and objectively assess situations that arise to work for the best solution for all residents.

My platform is to be a voice for all residents and I support promoting integrity and teamwork amongst elected officials, responsible and reasonable development, and strengthen code enforcement.

We love being a part of the Beach Haven community, especially in the "off-season" when we have a chance to slow down and spend time with friends, residents, and business owners who make their livelihood here in Beach Haven. I look forward to working alongside many of you to help Beach Haven be the treasured place for young and old for years to come.