

BIO OF SYNDI MARTIN



I moved to Clearwood January 2016 and was appointed to the Board of Directors in September 2016, serving as Treasurer. My key accomplishment to-date is implementing a responsible budgeting plan for 2018, showing expenses by month (rather than year) to better track potential issues, getting input from managers and giving them ownership of their budgets. I'm also in the process of implementing an internal audit program, making sure Clearwood expenses are justified and documented, and purchases are authorized and relevant. Earlier this year I worked with the adjoining homeowner and surrounding residents to abate the squatter situation on Overlake Ct, learning what our rights were and putting pressure on the county code enforcement and health departments to use county laws to abate the problem. This resulted in the county posting the house as uninhabitable, and they are now using county law to force the owners to bring the house up to a livable condition. My professional experience includes six years as a project assistant for a government contractor tracking multi-million dollar projects, and eight years in the licensing department in charge of royalties and an \$8M budget at Elvis Presley Enterprises. I now work from home for FilmTrack as a client success specialist in charge of training and data conversions. I am an avid motorcyclist, and have served on several non-profit boards for ABATE (American Bikers Aimed Towards Education) a nation-wide motorcyclists' rights organization) and have held positions on county and state level, including Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Director, Political Liaison and State Safety and Education Officer (MS)

If elected, my goal as a director is to honestly and transparently represent the membership of Clearwood and to use your hard-earned money responsibly by promoting accounting controls and best-practice business policies, appropriately researching and documenting the board's financial decisions. I believe that by using good, sound business practices, we can remain true to our roots as a quiet campground in the woods while ensuring a bright future for our beautiful community. And for fun, I ride my motorcycle. You've probably seen (and heard) me around the community – I usually have my stereo on and singing like there's no tomorrow! If you have any questions, you can email me at treasurer@clearwood.org, or call me any time – 894-2218