

# Application Form

## Profile

Thomas  
First Name

B  
Middle Initial

Courson  
Last Name

Q&D  
Employer

Operating Engineer  
Job Title

Question applies to Washoe County Planning Commission, Washoe County Board of Adjustment

### Do you live in unincorporated Washoe County?

Yes  No

### How long have you lived in Washoe County?

8.5 years

### What district do you live in? \*

District 1

Question applies to multiple boards

### Are you registered to vote in Washoe County?

Yes  No

## Interests & Experiences

### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Washoe County Planning Commission: Submitted

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

**Why are you interested in serving on this board/commission?**

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I like to take an active role in my county. I have previously served on the Champaign County, IL Planning and Zoning Board and liked doing it. One of the biggest cases we worked on was writing the zoning ordinance for large scale wind farms. I have a background in construction where we developed several subdivisions in the Central Illinois area. We also did large infrastructure projects like roads, sewer, water mains, drainage, and grading.

**How do you feel you are qualified to serve on this board? Please include any past board/commission experience.**

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I served on the Planning And Zoning Board in Champaign County, Illinois before moving to Washoe County. I have over 30 years experience in construction and development. Currently semi retired and have time to serve the local communities.

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Please attach a letter of recommendation.

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**Nepotism**

**Do you currently serve on any boards/committees?**

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Yes  No

**If yes, please list the boards/committees**

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**Are you related to anyone employed by Washoe County by blood or marriage?**

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Yes  No

**If yes, please list the names and relationship of all persons you are related to.**

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Thomas B. Courson

## **Profile**

Relocated to Reno from Champaign, Illinois with wife (Kelly) son (Connor) in 2013. Approximately 30 years of experience in the construction industry and spent the 3 years on the Champaign County Zoning Board of Appeals.

## **Experience**

### **Current Operator for Q&D's Mustang Recycling plant.**

Duties include loading trucks and feeding the crushing plant. Compensation \$32 per hour plus benefits provided by Operating Engineers Local #3.

### **August 2013- June 2018 Retired built our current home.**

#### **Owner and Operator, Champaign Tree & Landscape, Inc. Champaign, IL 2005-2013**

A full service landscape and construction company specializing in topsoil sales, new construction grading, drainage, concrete, plantings, and trucking.

Duties included estimating, accounting, material ordering, office management, equipment purchasing, equipment maintenance, and job supervision.

Compensation ranged from \$20k-\$60 depending on profits

#### **Owner and Operator, Hensley Storage, Champaign, Illinois 2006-2013**

Rental warehouse facility. Duties included executing lease agreements, collecting rents, and maintenance of the facility. Compensation varied depending on occupancy rates

#### **Vice President and Minority owner, Central Illinois Tile Co. Champaign, Illinois 1999-2004**

A heavy highway construction company specializing in drainage, concrete, water main, and sewer construction. Building subdivisions from rough grade to finished building pads with streets and sidewalks. Duties included safety manager, job supervision, equipment and facilities maintenance. Compensation of \$84k + Profit bonus, medical, and pension

#### **Secretary, Central Illinois Tile Co. Champaign, Illinois 1994-1999**

A heavy highway construction company specializing in drainage, concrete, water main, and sewer construction. Job duties included job supervision and equipment maintenance.

Compensation \$75k with health and welfare provided by local 703

#### **Board Member, Champaign County Zoning Board of Appeals, Urbana, IL 2011-2013**

Local board in charge of writing ordinances, deciding zoning cases regarding variances and zoning changes in the county of Champaign, IL Compensation of \$100 per diem

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## **Education**

1989-1991 Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois Earned Bachelors of Science in Organizational Management.

1986-1989 Parkland College, Champaign, IL Earned Associates degree in Business Administration.

1982-1986 Blue Ridge High School, Farmer City, IL Graduated

## **Skills**

Member of Labors Local 703 from 1992-2013 in Urbana, IL with knowledge of water and sewer installations, concrete street and sidewalk construction. Construction of metal and masonry buildings. I have the ability to read and interpret blue prints.

Experience designing and implementation of safety programs. I have attended several safety conferences, completed the 10 hour OSHA course as well as the Red Cross first aid class.

Good working knowledge of gas and diesel engines as well as hydraulic systems. Welding and metal fabrication Currently hold a Nevada Class B CDL drivers license.

Extensive use of computers in personal life and in business finance and design applications.

I am able to communicate and work within a governing body of varying political views to come to common sense solutions to problems and concerns.

## **Referrals**

Kevin Crump, Operations, Champaign Park District, Champaign Illinois, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Rob Parker, Owner, Parklawn Services, Mahomet Illinois, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Brad Passalacqua, Owner Operator, Dick Butler Roofing, Champaign Zoning Board of Appeals, Champaign Illinois, [REDACTED]