

Tell us your name.

Chris Leland

*Are you an Incumbent Candidate or
New Candidate?*

New

*Where is your home turf?
[Home Address, Telephone, Email
and Tract #]*

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*Share with us a little about your
educational background.*

High School - Grad San Angelo LV 1979
Some College

Give us an idea of your experiences and why they would make you great board member.

I have an extensive construction background. I have operated 3 restaurants. Been in Retail. Sales. Maintenance. Operated Heavy Equipment. I have decades living in the region. I help my life partner operate one of the larger RV Park/Campground/AirBnb operations in the area, coupled with my love of the Ranch I will do well.

What skills do you bring to the POATRI board?

Communications, Construction Knowledge, Vacation Rental Experience, Restaurant Operations Experience, Road Maintenance Experience.

What does Terlingua Ranch mean to you? Include places you like adventure, how the ranch has influenced your life or include memories created at the ranch.

There are 4 major Terlingua Ranch areas of operations. Give us your thoughts on these areas of operation & how you feel we can continue to improve.

- *Financial strategies including assessment collection, budget planning and oversight*
- *Road rehabilitation programs*
- *Managing lodge facilities*
- *Property owner communications*

Terlingua Ranch to me means: HOME!

I first came here in June 1970 and it was love at first sight. That has only grown since.

Financial strategies: A more open and inclusive process that allows for more owner input. Maybe have actual monthly Finance meeting open to property owners. Assessments need to be based solely on road and watersystem needs. The Lodge is perfectly capable of supporting itself if managed properly.

Oversight: Board should set boundaries and parameters for Mgr. and let the chips fall where they may. Mgr. either performs to expectations or needs to look for another job.

Roads are best when left in the capable hands of Road Supervisor Dennis Nance. Problems always arise when Mgr. or a board member tries to get involved. Dennis is a great asset and should be treated as such.

Lodge: In the current economy the cabins will rent. Period! The restaurant should not be treated as a lunch counter to facilitate room rentals. It has the potential to become a destination in and of itself. Especially with Chef Mike at the helm.

Communications: Be open, honest and transparent!! That is all anyone has ever asked.

What is your understanding of what your ethical and fiduciary responsibilities would be as a member of the POATRI Board of Directors?

On both counts to ALWAYS look out for the best interests of the owners, they deserve nothing less.

What else do you want to share with property owners to help them to get to know you?

I believe that the board has evolved from a group looking out for the interests of Absentee Owners (50 years Ago) to something more akin to a city council. The decisions made by the BOD have the potential to affect the day to day lives of our residents and should be made with that in mind. Always.