JAE GUETSCHOW

Education

Bachelor of Science – Western Michigan University Master of Public Administration – University of Toledo

Village of Blissfield, Michigan

- Appointed to Blissfield Planning Commission; 3 years; 2 as chairperson
 - Completed update of Master Plan
- Elected to Blissfield Village Council
 - Village Trustee; 2 years
 - Village President; 5 years, 8 months
 - Public/Private partnership; \$152,000 investment in 35-acre business park
 - Michigan Main Street community (collaboration with DDA & Chamber of Commerce)
 - Completed final phase of sewer separation project using federal funds
 - Developed skate park in collaboration with community organization

Village of Stevensville, Michigan

- Village Manager; September 2012 March 2014
 - Assisted in mediating \$850,000 settlement through the Federal District Court following embezzlement by a previous manager
 - Represented village in the Southwestern Michigan Regional Sanitary Sewer
 Water Authority (consists of four townships and one village)

City of New Buffalo, Michigan

- Assistant City Manager; April 2014 August 2014
- Acting City Manager; September 2014 April 2015
 - Represented city in Galien River Sewer District regional authority (consists of three townships and two small cities)
 - Suggested Council utilize MML professional services for manager search

Village of Brooklyn, Michigan

- Village Manager; May 2015 April 2022
 - Replaced DDA with Corridor Improvement Authority; 2019
 - Developed village's first Capital Improvement Plan; 2019
 - o Comprehensive Plan evolved into Master Plan (with R2PC); 2019
 - Chaired Leoni Regional Utility Authority; January 2019 December 2021
 - LRUA consists of 11 townships and 2 villages
 - Pending transition to South-Central Michigan Utility Authority
 - Initiated and chaired Irish Hills Regional Intermunicipality Committee consisting of 12 townships and 2 villages; January 2019 – December 2021
 - Initial project is development of a regional Parks & Recreation Plan in collaboration with 10 townships and 2 villages (utilizing R2PC)

- Developed/initiated comprehensive street rehabilitation plan 2020-2022
- Represented village on Rural Transportation Task Force
- o Developed three Corrective Action Plans required by Michigan Treasury
- o Member of Region 2 Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council; 3 years
- Member of Region 2 Planning Commission Executive Committee and Advisory Committee
- Member of Legacy Committee of Irish Hills Regional Chamber of Commerce
 - Participated in feasibility study of Brooklyn to Watkins Lake State Park Trail
 - Participated with Safe Routes to School trail task force from Columbia Middle/High School to Upper/Lower Elementary Schools; tentatively to be funded in 2025
- Independent Contractor; May 2022 June 2022
- Interim Village Manager; June 20, 2022 September 9, 2022
- Independent Contractor; September 12, 2022 Present