

## JEFFERY MELLONE - BROOKFIELD CITY COMMON COUNCIL 6TH DISTRICT

Key findings include:

- **First Time Candidate:** Mellone is a first time candidate for public office. Aside from a 2021 donation to the Waukesha County Republican Party, he has not been politically active or vocal.
- **Brookfield Area Native:** Mellone was raised in the Brookfield area, having attended high school in nearby New Berlin. He currently lives in Brookfield with his wife, who works for the U.S. Navy, and two sons.
- **Electrical Engineer Working in Sales:** Mellone attended Auburn University and obtained a degree in electrical engineering. Mellone now works as Vice President at Northland Sales where he has worked since 1994.
- **Son of Incumbent Brookfield District 6 Alder:** Mellone is the son of incumbent District 6 Alder, Jerry Mellone. Jerry Mellone has largely kept a muted online presence but he is a Republican, having contributed to local politicians who engaged in election denier activity, and voting against the use of drop boxes.
- **Waukesha County Republican Party Donor:** Mellone is a Republican, having contributed to the Waukesha County Republican Party in August 2021. The County Party engaged in election denier behavior in January and December 2021, but it should be noted that contributions to county parties are somewhat standard from local politicians and individuals.
- **Follows Elon Musk on X:** Mellone follows Elon Musk on his X account, but given he also follows other space-focused accounts, it is likely for that reason rather than political.
- **Post About Data Centers:** Mellone posted that his company, Northland Sales, and Miro Industries can “coordinate and design any and all engineered roof-top support systems for Data Centers or any facility.” While the post was just for business purposes, data centers have been a flashpoint issue in jurisdictions across the country and since Brookfield already has two, the post could be controversial to some.
- **Low Online Footprint:** Mellone keeps a low online footprint. He is active on his personal Facebook but no posts had to do with politics. As of the writing of this memo he did not have any campaign infrastructure active.

Brookfield is a suburban city in Waukesha County in the Milwaukee metro area, generally characterized as a wealthier suburb in regional coverage. Brookfield had a population of 41,464 as of the 2020 census. Demographically, Brookfield is majority white with a notable Asian population share.

Brookfield has been one of the primary municipalities involved in the debate over absentee ballot drop boxes. Brookfield’s City Council voted to ban the use of absentee ballot drop boxes in August 2024. A complaint was filed against the City of Brookfield with the Wisconsin Elections Commission in September 2024 alleging that the city refused to accept any absentee ballots at polling places and instead required them to be returned to the clerk’s office with enough time for the clerk to bring the ballot to the correct polling place to be counted. The man who brought the complaint alleges that when he arrived at the polling place around 5 p.m. he was told he must bring his ballot to the clerk’s office but that no one would be there to receive it because city staff was in a meeting [Urban Milwaukee]. Further, some

Brookfield Republican politicians are election deniers, like Scott Fitzgerald (R), whose political base includes the Brookfield area, was among those who voted against certifying 2020 results for certain states on Jan. 6, 2021 [Election Deniers].

Trump won Brookfield in 2024 53-47. He also won District 6 by a narrow 51-49 in 2024. Brookfield's 6th District tilts liberal with an average partisan score of 50.82.

## **BACKGROUND**

### **PERSONAL BACKGROUND**

Mellone attended New Berlin West, a local high school in neighboring New Berlin. He went on to study electrical engineering at Auburn University. He currently serves as Vice President at Northland Sales, where he has worked since 1994 [[Facebook](#)]. Northland Sales is a manufacturers' representative company in New Berlin, Wisconsin, that provides sales and engineering support for many companies in the plumbing industry in Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Mellone has a wife and two sons. His wife attended the U.S. Naval Academy and still works for the U.S. Navy according to her [Facebook](#).

### **POLITICAL & CAMPAIGN BACKGROUND**

Mellone is a first time candidate and it does not seem as though he has largely been active in local, state, or national politics. He so far has kept a low campaign profile; he does not have a campaign Facebook or website and, while he has filed to run for the Brookfield seat, he has not announced it publicly anywhere.

Mellone contributed \$20 to the Waukesha County Republican Party in August 2021 [[WI Campaign Finance](#)].

Mellone's Facebook was free of political posts, even notices on elections or a post announcing his candidacy.

Mellone's father, Jerry Mellone, has been the District 6 alder in Brookfield since 2006. He has largely kept a low public profile but he is a Republican, donating to some local figures who engaged in election denier behavior, and opposed the use of drop boxes (more on that below).

## **ON THE ISSUES**

*No issue stances found*

## **VULNERABILITIES & ADVERSE FINDINGS OF NOTE**

### **FOLLOWS ELON MUSK ON X**

Mellone has an [X account](#) and follows SpaceX, Nasa, Spaceflight Now, and Elon Musk. However, his following of Musk could be due to an interest in SpaceX and space given the other accounts he follows.

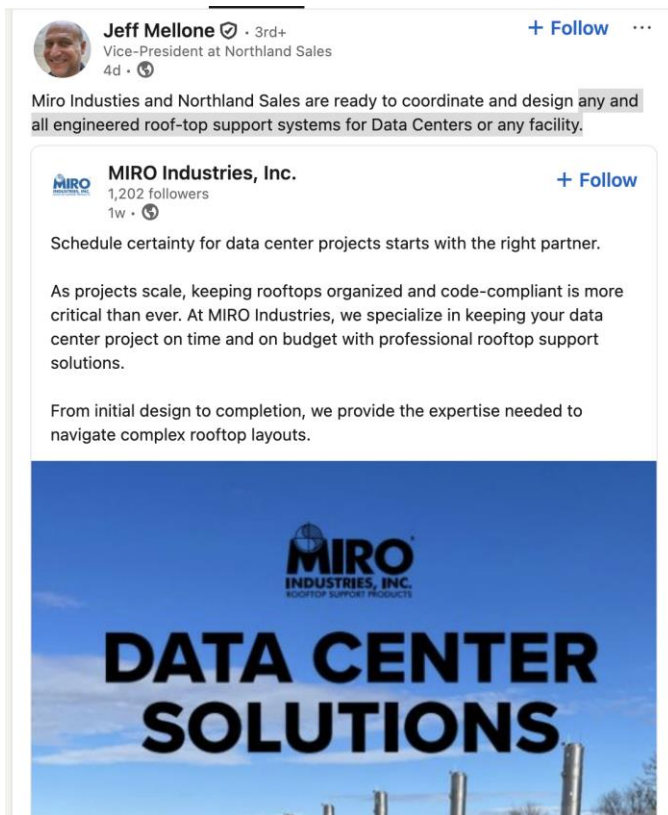
### **SON OF REPUBLICAN, ANTI-DROP BOX ALDER**

Mellone's father, Jerry Mellone, has been the District 6 alder in Brookfield since 2006. He is not seeking reelection this year. Jerry Mellone largely also kept a low profile during his tenure on the Brookfield City Council, however, he is conservative, has made some questionable contributions to local politicians, and opposed the use of ballot drop boxes:

- 1. Jerry Mellone is a Conservative Republican:** Mellone is a Republican; he has contributed to national figures such as Mitt Romney in 2012, George Bush in 2004, the Republican National Committee, and WI Senator Ron Johnson. He also contributed to Leah Vukmir’s unsuccessful Senate campaign in 2018 [[FEC](#)]. He also has contributed to many Wisconsin Republican candidates and committees, including the Waukesha County Republican party, Brad Schimel, State Sen. Rob Hutton (Republican State Senator from Brookfield who voted against a second term as Elections Commission Administrator for Meagan Wolfe [[Campaign Finance WI](#)]).
- 2. Jerry Mellone Opposed Drop Boxes:** In August 2024, the Brookfield City Council voted to ban the use of absentee drop-boxes in the city [[WPR](#)]. The [minutes for the August meeting](#) show Mellone voting for the resolution that banned the use of the utility bill box as a drop-box for absentee ballots. Further, Mellone also voted against authorizing the City Clerk to receive absentee ballots in-person and against the use of drop boxes in Brookfield generally.

#### ADVERTISING DATA CENTER WORK ON LINKEDIN

Mellone posted on his LinkedIn that his company, Northland Sales, and Miro Industries can “coordinate and design any and all engineered roof-top support systems for Data Centers or any facility” [[LinkedIn](#)]. Data centers have been a hot-button issue locally with many residents opposing their construction due to the high energy demand and nuisance. There are already two data centers in Brookfield [[Cloud & Colocation](#)] and, while his post is just a business opportunity, it could prove controversial to those concerned about the construction and presence of data centers.



#### CONTRIBUTION TO WAUKESHA COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

Mellone contributed \$20 to the Waukesha County Republican party in August 2021. While many local politicians and individuals donate to county political parties, it should be noted the Waukesha County Republican Party has supported conspiracy theories.

1. **Posted in Support of January 6:** The County Party posted “Just incredible!!!” on January 6, 2021. While the picture is no longer visible on Facebook, the comments would indicate a supportive post of insurrectionists.

Republican Party of Waukesha County  
January 6, 2021 · 🌐

Just incredible!!

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When this happens, it's usually because the owner only shared it with a small group of people, changed who can see it or it's been deleted.

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**Nancy Johnston**  
Now tell me BASEMENT JOE one the election fairly!!!  
5y Like Reply      12 👍👍

**Shelly Hopkins** replied · 3 Replies

**David Temple**  
That's great. But the libtards have gotten their foot in the door. Now what?  
5y Like Reply

**Jim Niebuhr**  
Ya he lost alright! Fucken cheating Democratic's. Karma will bite you all .  
5y Like Reply

2. **Posted in Support of Texas Lawsuit in December 2020:** The County Party posted an article from the Daily Wire showcasing 17 states that filed briefs to back Texas’s election lawsuit against Georgia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.

Republican Party of Waukesha County  
December 10, 2020 · 🌐

Seventeen states and President **Donald J. Trump** have now joined Texas in their lawsuit before the U.S. Supreme Court suing Wisconsin and other battle ground states in th... [See more](#)

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