

Bio - Larry Herscovitch

Elbow is a unique place - part retirement community, part tourist destination and part farming community. A prosperous village with such a varied population requires unique management. It requires unique vision.

I have sat on three Strata Councils. President on two of them with similar populations to Elbow. I have maintained a Real Estate License for 15 years, acquired in BC and kindly transferred to Saskatchewan by the SRA.

Much of my career was spent placing specialized equipment into health care facilities and pharmacies.

I have a vision for the future of Elbow that includes and encourages the development of all our unique communities while maintaining the special feel of our village. In the time I have lived in Elbow I have spoken with a number of residents about what is important to them. There are some common themes that echo through the village.

It seems, most of us want similar things from our Council.

Transparency - Village finances should be an open book with access available to all residents. Both budgeting and detailed expenditures. It is encouraging to see that we are well on that path as of late.

Fiscal Responsibility - Managing our spending for the quality of life we enjoy today, with an eye on maintaining and improving our infrastructure for the future. Residents recognize that it's a balancing act, assisted by a familiarity with balance sheets and P&L statements.

Dust Control - I have heard a variety of suggestions and opinions on how deal with this issue and how to pay for it.

But the overall consensus is that it's time to tackle this problem and Council must make some decisions on how we move forward.

Along with these issues, my focus will be on:

1. Attracting small, independently owned businesses to Elbow and our new Industrial Park.
2. Encouraging both existing and new events to take place in Elbow and bring more tourist dollars to local businesses.
3. Sensible residential growth, encouraging a variety of home owner options.
4. Bringing health care resources to Elbow. A good starting point would be arranging regular visits from a Nurse Practitioner.
5. Ensuring the Elbow VFD has adequate resources and training to keep us safe.

My hope for this election, is that the four most qualified, deserving candidates are selected. If the residents of Elbow deem that I am one of those candidates, I will do my best to ensure it was a good decision.