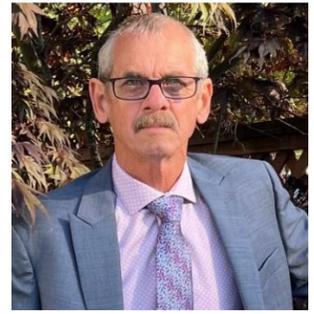




MAYOR'S REPORT

November, 2022



As the new Council begins its term, we have been busy with training sessions covering everything from Legal requirements, Legislation relating to duties of elected officials, Land Matters and Governance best practices. We have had a full slate of learning opportunities for newly elected, and returning members to take in.

As we continue to work together, appointments to various positions have been allocated, with all members of Council taking on roles as Chairs, and outside appointments, thus challenging them to take on roles outside their comfort areas, to enhance their knowledge of various aspects of the Town, and Regional District operations.

I am excited to see what this group can accomplish in the upcoming term for the betterment of all, and welcome those returning for another term and to the newly elected member joining us. We have been left in a good position moving forward, thanks to the leadership of previous Councils and the groundwork done in the past.

In the new year I anticipate re-establishing an open-door policy for residents to come and meet informally with Mayor and or Council members to discuss ideas, issues or concerns in our community.

Also in the New Year, I am looking forward to collaborating with other community leaders to deal with the area's housing deficiencies and innovative ideas that may be available to address these. We are faced with many outstanding challenges that need attention not only locally, regionally but also Provincially to ensure the safety and quality of life for all citizens in our communities. We cannot solve all the problems alone, and collaboration is essential for achieving these objectives.

Thanks goes out to all those who put their names forward to serve their communities; your desire to serve your community is much appreciated.

Tim McGonigle
Mayor
Lake Cowichan



Spotted hiking along the Trans Canada Trail near King George Street and Wellington Avenue.
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