

Jim Greensides

1. I started working with my father's garage at the age of 7. I started by cleaning tools and the shop. Dad eventually owned the Gulf station in Coby when I was in my teens. I worked on cars and trucks in both garages. I also drove for a couple of transport companies. I turned to driving for my profession, learning from my mentor Don Muirhead who trucked out of Little Britain. I eventually graduated to owning my own trucking company. Hauling specialized material for steel mills in Ontario, Quebec and Michigan. In the late 90's I opened a recycling yard of my own in my ward. This is my main focus today.

2. Control city spending. Work with the funds that come into the city, even work below that sum. Spend a portion of the tax money collected back into the area it was collected from. Don't just put it in Lindsay. Stop the city from getting involved in lawsuits, that cost the city millions. Attract more businesses.

3. To invite and work with businesses. To relax restrictions, make it easier to get permits for buildings. Get rid of the red tape between business and the city. If we can attract businesses and not just to Lindsay. To all of the city, more business means more jobs, more viable and healthy the community. More money for the city in the end. Maybe more gas stations for Rosedale, Coboconk and Kinmount.

4. Yes, although this has its pros and cons. Getting 8

people to agree may be easier. At the same time we lose 8 people's ideas and knowledge. I still believe this can work.

5. Yes, I also believe that a counselor make himself available to the people. To know and vote for what the people would like to see happen. (ie), the closing of the Baddow Fire Hall. The counselors needed to listen to the people and not close that hall.

6. The city actually listen to its people, - counselors vote for what the people say they want. Move the city into attracting business and spending money so efficiently that we could cut taxes. Find other ways of getting and raising money. Have the city open the books to the public, so they can see where money is being spent or wasted. Get away from all the money wasted on studies. (ie) The pipeline over or under the river in Lindsay.

7. My heart is in it. I have been part of this city for 58 years. I think there is no better place to live. I believe in the people to show their counsel what they want, I believe together we can make CKL's into what we were before amalgamation. Have money in our coffers.

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Afe Helleman

My campaign is based on *"leaving no one behind"*. The waterfront property owners in all wards across CKL receive very little in regards to property taxes paid. For that matter all the residents from all the outlying wards don't either.

As you know this last term the mayor placed great emphasis on an outdated core plan. The wheels were put into place prior to your return from a winter away several years ago. I know that many of you were very surprised. As residents we did manage to get council to put a hold on the closures of community centres and arenas. The fire halls issue was partially implemented after two additional consultants' reports.

Because of my word restraints I will briefly tell you that I have serious concerns regarding our roads and seasonal road historical agreements that have previously been in place as well. The zoning, building and planning departments need the

involvement of some knowledgeable, impartial individuals to possibly rewrite policy as to the way business will be conducted moving forward.

The council looked at these problems many times in the past and very little has been accomplished. The cost overruns, budgets, fire and police departments and the airport all need to be looked at. The transparency of the financial issues deserves honest forthright answers when inquiries are made.

Our waterways should always be an area of great interest as the Trent Severn Waterway is the jewel of the Kawarthas and its purities should be preserved for future generations.

I am running to give our wards strong representation through the answering of the councillors to the constituents and not to the mayor.

Leslie Mieszkowski

Thank you for the questions. First we need to have better roads in Ward #2. People are having to repair their vehicles at an alarming rate on assumed roads, never mind un-assumed roads. The biggest problem I have is un-assumed roads. There should be a reduction in taxes for people that pay large amount of taxes and get very little services in return. Representing tax payers in Ward #2 on a professional level, something that has not been done to this date would enable me to push the agenda.

More clarity and less government is a good thing. Regulation around waterfront properties should be the same for all lakes. Unless like you have a lake policy area by-law. I would like to freeze taxes for two years and then only increase them to the level of inflation if necessary. Permit issuing processes should be reduced.

I would support the Four Mile Lake policy area by-law and I would like to find out more information about the many provisions. In order to advocate on your behalf I would like to have the opportunity of being your Ward #2 councillor.

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Kathleen Seymour-Fagan

I have a website:

<https://www.kathleenseymour-fagan.com/>

As a current councillor who's ward covers half of Sturgeon Lake and part of Pigeon, I work closely with the cottage associations. Some of the issues we have been working that may be similar are the following.

Limited Service Agreements. We have been working with public works to ensure we are not losing any of our current servicing models as these legal agreements become policy. So far so good, we have maintained and even improved some services. I will continue to advocate for all constituents in the new ward structure, including grandfathering of services on private roads and allowing more L.S.As.

Short Term rentals have also been a hot topic, both for and against. The best way for us to deal with this now and how council has directed, is for any issues be reported to the appropriate agency i.e. bylaw, police, fire etc.. The city will be tracking data over this next year and a report will come back to council to make appropriate changes.

Development regulations are a tricky one because some are provincial policy which must be followed. Some regulations are the municipality and Kawartha Conservation, on both of these I have worked with the planning

department and Kawartha Conservation to get the best outcome for the property owner. I have had continued success with both departments. I sit on Committee of Adjustment and see many applications come through that the city has had to deny due to policy but our committee has approved as we are autonomous from the city.

As for water levels, we all know that is the Trent Severn Waterway who controls the levels. The water levels have caused issues in the spring for many lakefront property owners I will continue to advocate with the mayor and council to make sure that there is better control on this.

This current Council has approved the upgrades to the Fenelon Dump and increased the budget for gravel roads by 40% both are great improvements for the new ward 2.

With the reduction of council by 50% we will need Councillors who have the knowledge to do the job and can hit the ground running, not spending a year or two learning the ropes and figuring out who they need to speak with to get the job done. I have forged those relationships prior to being a councillor, with developments I have worked on in COKL and strengthened them over the past 4 years as a Municipal Councillor.

I know the directors, managers and supervisor to call to get things moving, this is key to great representation for my constituents.

Stephen Lloyd Slack

Website : <https://www.stephenlloydslack.com/>

Stephen Slack is 64 Years old, Married 40 Years, 2 Children and 3 Grandchildren. I am retired and living with my Wife in Bobcaygeon. I have 35 years work experience in technical and management roles for IBM. I held management positions in Data Centre Management, Disaster Recovery and direct I/T support to IBM customers. Strengths include leading teams in complex matrix organizations and high skill level in problem solving and implementation. I owned two small businesses, HVAC Services and Software Development Services. I am self-motivated and very effective in "virtual" work environments. I hold several licences and certificates in other mechanical and management disciplines. My website referenced provides greater detail.

Reason for running:

I have the energy to work hard, the knowledge to work smart and the time to give the community the attention it wants. In short, to make a difference! I bring a strong work ethic and a well calibrated moral compass; traits instilled in me by my parents. My father's ancestors were farmers.....hard work was part of their 'makeup'. I can leverage my combined skills to implement solutions to issues that are unique to our community.

What do you see as the most important issue in your riding?

My focus is simple, drive growth for local businesses and enhance the lifestyle of the residents of Ward 2, City of

Kawartha Lakes. I am certain we can leverage our strengths as one of the best themed "lifestyle" areas in Ontario to attract the right type of development and through careful management become a location that is top on the list for people to come to. Areas would be "protected" and zoned appropriately to ensure the beauty that attracted us here does not get lost.

What do you see as the most important issue the city is/will be facing in the next four years?

The most important issue is the execution of our part of the City of Kawartha Lakes strategic plan and the more specific secondary plans. Significant effort and guidance has been combined into a comprehensive plan for sustainable growth ... but the challenge now comes in bringing the plan to life. This will require every department to rethink how they will remove barriers and still protect critical multi discipline standards in this phase.

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John Snider

Thank you for your email and I appreciate your, and the Balsam Lake Association's, interest in the municipal election. The following is my personal background, the reasons that I feel it is important to be running in the election, and my views on the particular topics you requested.

For the past 44 years I have been in the auto repair trade. I have owned and operated John Sniders Auto Sales and Service in Bobcaygeon for the past 19 years. Prior to that, I worked in, and managed, another repair facility in Bobcaygeon. My wife and I were born and raised in Scarborough, however chose to move to Bobcaygeon 31 years ago to live, work and raise our family.

The experience I will bring to the Councilor position includes understanding business operations, dealing with employees, technical problem solving, customer relationships, and common sense and accountability. All of these attributes will help me in the position of Ward Councilor.

I believe the three most pressing challenges facing the City in the next four years are: control of runaway debt; property taxes out of control and need to be reined in; infrastructure – we are a City of pot holes. In order to bring meaningful jobs to CKL we need to reduce development fees in order to entice commercial and entrepreneurial development. We also require a citizens advocate department within City Hall to speed up plans of development.

I believe we need change, that includes restructuring how the City runs. We need to give the citizens a chance to speak up

and be heard as to how things are done and money is spent. In order to give the citizens that opportunity to speak up, I would like to offer referendums, along with holding regular town-hall meetings, and being approachable for the Ward 2 citizens.

In regard to Limited Service Agreements, I believe that all roads, whether public or private, should be maintained and plowed as everyone using the roads are taxpayers.

Problems associated with short-term rentals should be handled by the City's By-Law Enforcement Department. That department needs to be expanded to include 24/7 coverage, including short response times. Further, enforcement should be placed upon the property owners to control their tenants.

My understanding is that the management of water levels is controlled by the Trent-Severn Waterway. I would be willing to work with them to maintain appropriate water levels.

Again, thank you for requesting this information in order to understand why I am running for Council and what I will bring to the table if elected.

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