

# MID-TERM REPORT



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Well, it is now the mid-term point of my first term as a county councillor.

Although it has not always been smooth, it has been very interesting and challenging. During my campaign, I ran on the principles of engagement with residents, fiscal responsibility, and accountability. I think I have done this for the most part, but the final review will be how my residents feel about how I have represented them.

Some of the items that were on my list from residents I was able to address included having the snow clearing bylaw reduced to

48 hours for residential side-walks, the removal of the right turn red light cameras at the intersection of Granda and Sherwood Drive, a snowbank ice rink for the Estates, and voting no to a casino in Sherwood Park.

Other items I have addressed through various discussions with residents include weed control, crosswalk safety, tree issues, and better communication for any infrastructure rehabilitation in the neighbourhoods. I am trying to ensure I return all emails and phone calls to those who reach out to contact me. I may not always be able to address their concerns, but I am available to listen.

I have been able to get out and meet people at community events such as local sporting events, charity fundraisers, neighbourhood BBQs, and other miscellaneous events. The interesting part is that most people are just happy to see me out at these events and socializing

with them and able to discuss happenings and their concerns within the county. This could range from topics such as traffic concerns, recreation and parks comments to bylaw issues. The topics are quite broad, but one thing is clear, residents are very passionate about Strathcona County and love living here.

Fiscally, it has been a tough couple of years for not only the county but for our businesses and residents as well.

I believe that council has done a good job in trying to keep taxes down while trying to maintain services or having cuts that have the least impact on our community. I know we had more calls this summer on our lawn mowing, but that was one of the programs that had a cycle removed to save money.

A couple of items that council has worked with our administration on are better planning and prioritizing of our capital projects and implementing a reserve management strategy. These two processes have significantly helped council better understand what needs to be done and how we can best fund the projects.

In June, I held a councillor chat at the log cabin where residents could drop in and talk about whatever they wanted. It was a very good turnout with approximately 40-45 people showing up. I made a promise I would do another one in the early evening in the fall. I am happy to say I have my next councillor chat scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 1 at the Strathcona County Museum and Archives from 5 - 7 p.m. No reservations are required, just show up. Light refreshments will be available. If anyone wants to discuss anything or just go for a coffee, please feel free to reach out.

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## STRATHCONA COUNTY WARD 3



CHAT WITH COUNCILLOR LORNE HARVEY

Wednesday November 1

5:00 - 7:00 pm

Strathcona County Museum & Archives

913 Ash Street, Sherwood Park

Light refreshments will be available

Join Councillor Harvey and staff from Strathcona County for insights and updates on the latest developments in Ward 3.

This is also an excellent opportunity for you to express your ideas, ask questions, and share any concerns you may have regarding Ward 3.

