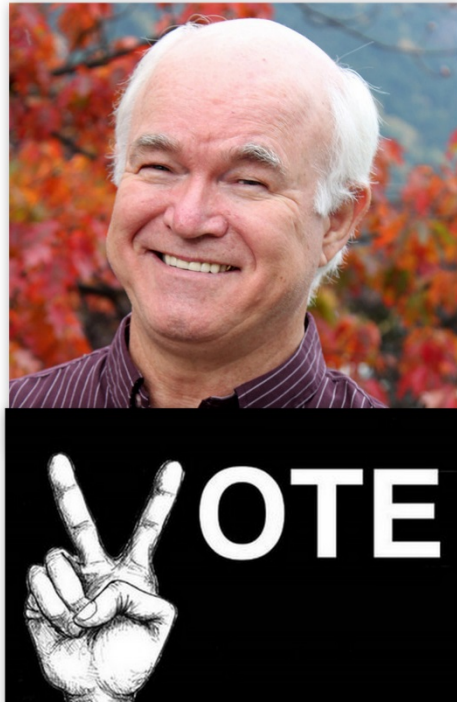


VOTE BRIAN SHIELDS



NELSON CITY COUNCIL

BRIAN SHIELDS CAREER PROFILE

City of Nelson Manager of Operations

Reporting to the Director of Engineering and Public Works, responsible for Water and Sewer Utilities, Parks Maintenance and Construction, Roads and Drainage, Municipal Garage, Transit, Airport, and Public Works Administration:

- Develop and implement municipal policies, service level standards and risk management programs in compliance with the Community Charter;
- Created and delivered reports for City Council and the City of Nelson Executive Committee
- Managed a workforce of 50 – 60 staff

- Work with service clubs including Rotary, Lions, Gyro, and Kiwanis to coordinate projects funded by the clubs and funded by grants such as the Lakeside Park Outdoor Senior Fitness Centre
- Public consultation on bylaw amendments and new public works projects
- Work with Interior Health Authority on water quality standards and sampling
- Created service levels for utilities maintenance management.

Coquitlam

Reporting to the Superintendent of Underground, responsible for water course maintenance, Emergency Spill Response and Maintenance of City Storm Sewer Infrastructure:

- Project Manager for 15 habitat enhancement projects annually;
- Lead the City's Operations Spill Response Team for ten years.
- Developed training courses for hazard awareness and spill response and delivered courses to Parks and Public Works Staff;

FORMAL EDUCATION and CERTIFICATIONS

Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of BC (ASTTBC)

Certified Technician
Public Works Inspector

Canadian Environmental Certification Board, (CECAB) Four University Level Certifications

Human and Environmental Health and Safety,
Water Quality Protection
Integrated Environmental Management
Communication and Public Awareness

Certified Risk Manager, SFU

2007

AWARDS

Dedicated Service Award **2005**

Public Works Association of British Columbia

Public Works Manager of the Year Award **2006**

Public Works Association of British Columbia

BRIAN SHIELDS CAMPAIGN ISSUES

Interface Forest Protection

Nelson has been flagged by the Province as being one of the most vulnerable cities in BC. City Council must work with the Regional District, Parks Canada and the Provincial Fire Commission to protect our community. In addition the Five Mile Creek catchment must receive extra attention as this area is the principle source of water for our city.

Water Security

The current water system is fed by Five Mile Creek, Selous Creek and Anderson Creek yet still we suffer water shortages at certain parts of the year. Climate change is certain to make the shortages of water more frequent. The long range plan is to pump the water from the lake to the mountain reservoir at great expense.

In 2009, when I was Manager of Operations, we drilled wells at the City Cemetery to irrigate the area to lessen the demand on the system. The water gushed from the wells and the project was a success.

I propose that we drill a series of wells, in or around, the reservoir to supplement the current creek system. This will mean we will save multi millions of dollars as the giant pumping system from the lake will not be needed.

Pot Holes – Skunk Trapping – Garbage

The City of Nelson has way too many pot holes and considering our large paving budget this is a little surprising. If we empower City staff to carry a couple of bags of cold patch and fill the holes as they are observed The patches could then be reported to their supervisors for permanent repair in paving season. Further, all the streets of Nelson should be assessed by radar technology to determine the real state of the infrastructure, then the streets can be prioritized for repair.

The city is being overrun by skunks. I suggest a return to the skunk trapping program of previous years.

Do you ever wonder why so many Nelson residents take their garbage to the Regional District facility at Grohman's Narrows? Many people find the City of Nelson's garbage system onerous. Tags and weight limits and pickup only every second week. Many people are not using the service and that reflects a problem.

Too Many Consultants

The job of managers and staff of the City of Nelson is to initiate, plan, manage and complete projects. We do not need consultants to tell us what we already know. The money saved on consultant fees can be used for more pressing needs. Senior management has to listen to our staff as the staff has a great understanding of better ideas of how to get the job done.

Accessibility for the Physically Challenged

Living with physical challenges is tough but if we add a bunch of hurdles it becomes really really tough. We need to do better at assuring that ramps are in place for wheelchairs, crosswalks and bus stops need to be cleared of snow and stairways need to be better lit. I'm not an expert but I know the need is real.

Music and Winter Festivals

Festivals are fun and a great source of civic pride. Look at what the Jazz Fest does for Kaslo and consider the possibility; culturally, financially and the growth of civic

pride. There is so much musical talent in Nelson it would be great to turn them loose.

Winter Fest was once a regular event in Nelson. It would be a great boost for Baker Street and snow sport culture. Everybody I talk to loves the idea.