

MEET THE CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR

Lloyd
Montgomery



Profile

I have been mayor for 8 years and have enjoyed serving the village in this capacity. Since my retirement in 2022 I have spent the majority of my time in Mistusinne.

I volunteer with several non profit boards in both municipal governance and the disability sector.

I bring many years of management and governance experience to this position.

Q & A

What is the number one issue you want to address during this term of council?

Fiscal responsibility has always been a very important issue to me. I believe that we need to spend the ratepayers funds in a very careful manner.

What are the three most common issues voters are bringing up to you as you campaign?

Kids on golf carts and how to deal with it
The use of the green spaces and what to allow.
Financial matters and spending on projects.

If elected what do you plan to accomplish in your first 100 days?

I will again organize the golf tournament on Aug. 10th. This is an important fund raiser for Elbow fire, first responders and STARS.

Staff retention is very important as we come to an end of the season.

I would encourage the adoption of the garden areas along Mistusinne drive and other areas by those willing to volunteer to look after them.

If you received a one million dollar grant to use for the municipality any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Potable water would be a priority. Not all lots have good wells and I think this would be a great benefit.

Tell us something about you, that you think will make you a positive addition to the new council?

I am not someone who gets aggressive or angry over issues.

I have always felt that if I deal with issues in a calm and reasonable manner I can get to a resolution that is best for all parties.

How would you describe your leadership style?

My leadership style is to always listen first. I will be hands on when it is appropriate but not overstep others positions.

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Darren Treble



Profile

I, Darren Treble along with my wife Lori and our daughter Brooke have been coming to the Diefenbaker Lake area for many years, we started as campers at Douglas Park and for the past 14 years have been cabin owners at Mistusinne. We reside in Avonlea, where we are the successful business owners of Prairie Gun Traders. Prairie Gun Traders is a retail business operating for the past 24 years selling hunting & shooting supplies with 6 employees. I have served on council for the Resort Village of Mistusinne for the past 2 terms and would be honoured to continue to serve the residents for another term, as your Mayor. My past political experiences also include Village of Avonlea Councillor for 2 consecutive terms and 1 as Mayor. I have also served terms on several community organizations and boards. During the summer you will find us at our cabin or on Lake Diefenbaker boating, tubing, or just going for a swim and hanging out with friends and family. I look forward to being your mayor and continuing to guide the Resort Village of Mistusinne and residents into the future. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 306-868-7799 or stop by my cabin at 317 Chekepak.

Q & A

What is the number one issue you want to address during this term of council?

I currently do not have any issues to address.

What are the three most common issues voters are bringing up to you as you campaign?

Garbage, aging trees with dead branches, dandelions on the golf course and Beach access

If elected what do you plan to accomplish in your first 100 days?

This time will be about listening, engaging, and understanding what the community wants from their new council.

If you received a one million dollar grant to use for the municipality any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would love to do a breakwater at the boat launch, but one million dollars would be insufficient for this project. So a few things that the one million could cover would be to resurface the tennis court and add new pickleball courts. Making an access to the beach north of the boat launch so individuals and ATV's can gain access without utilizing the boat launch. Therefore providing safety for individuals walking down to the beach and removing some vehicles to leave more available parking for trucks with trailers.

Tell us something about you, that you think will make you a positive addition to the new council?

I have many years of municipal experience and I have acquired strong leadership skills as a business owner with employees.

How would you describe your leadership style?

I would listen to input from council and provide the guidance required to move the Resort Village forward while maintaining focus on fiscal planning expenses.

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Gerry (Gerald) Book



Profile

My name is Gerry Book and I'm running for councillor in Mistusinne for the first time.

I live in White City SK with my wife and two daughters, but Mistusinne has been our home away from home for many years. I have been spending summers in Mistusinne since I was born, first visiting my Grandparents at their cabin until my parents built a cabin in 1978. In 2015, my wife and I purchased a lot in "the middle loop" and proceeded to build our cabin in 2017. Anyone who knows me understands that Mistusinne is my favorite place to be! It's a great place to have spent my summers growing up, and now it's the perfect place to share and pass that enjoyment on to my family.

I'm currently employed as the Manager for Enbridge Pipelines Saskatchewan Operations based out of Regina. Mistusinne is the perfect middle ground for my area and that means that I'm visiting the village year-round enjoying all the seasons of Mistusinne.

Q & A

What is the number one issue you want to address during this term of council?

Planning. Planning for both the short and long term to make sure we are all getting value and enjoyment out of the community today, but making sure that it's sustainable into the future.

What are the three most common issues voters are bringing up to you as you campaign?

As I write this response, I haven't been able to really get out and campaign. My responsibilities at work have prevented me from taking much vacation time yet to be at Mistusinne. However, over the last number of years common themes seem to emerge from discussions. Village improvement projects, maintenance of both our infrastructure and the landscapes are all topics we need to continue to work on as a community.

If elected what do you plan to accomplish in your first 100 days?

I would hesitate to make any promises that I couldn't keep. Honestly, the first 100 days would be best served talking to residents and getting a feel for everyone's thoughts, as well as supporting the excellent work and initiatives of the current Mayor and Council.

If you received a one million dollar grant to use for the municipality any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I think there would be value in a couple of small capital projects and expenditures. These would include some upgraded equipment and maintenance items, redundancy in the community irrigation system, and possibly boat ramp and shoreline beautification projects. However, it would be ideal to use some of that for future investment in road maintenance, fire protection, and additional irrigation throughout the village.

Tell us something about you, that you think will make you a positive addition to the new council?

There are a couple of strengths I think I can bring to Mistusinne Council. First is that I'm very adaptable, I'm a person who is flexible enough to recognize that circumstances change, and we often need to change our mindset and approach to accommodate and resolve any challenges. This should always be accomplished in a collaborative manner with buy in from all parties involved. I have always let integrity guide my dealings at work and in my personal life. Honesty and transparency are always important and especially when there are hard conversations to have or hard decisions to make. These have all contributed to my ability to tackle issues with kindness, patience, and a desire to "do the right thing."

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Jeannie Coutts



Profile

Cottage owner for 27 years plus born and raised in the area. Family cabin since 1970's. My favorite memories include Lake Life and time spent with family at the beach in Mistusinne. I am grateful for the past term served as a council member for the Resort Village of Mistusinne. It has given me the opportunity to have a voice and contribute to some great additions and changes within the community.

Going into the election and the perspective on the next term of council:

- I plan to continue focus with nurturing of Trees and greenspaces within the community.
- I want to follow through with supporting events and gatherings at the Gazebo.
- I will support beach maintenance and access planning.

I look forward to the opportunity of continued representation of ratepayers in the village. I have intentions to learn and acquire more knowledge about internal operations, and financial efficiencies. I welcome your ideas, your opinions and I believe together we make this little village a great place to call our own as a whole.

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Barb Glubis



Profile

I would like to start by saying what a pleasure it has been to be a Councillor for Mistusinne for the past 4 years. The knowledge that I have learned has given me a great appreciation of what it takes to run a Resort Village. I have thoroughly enjoyed heading up the Canada Day activities with the help of Council, staff and a very dedicated family of ratepayers.

I farm, along with my husband Allan, 20 minutes away near Strongfield, and although I have been coming to Mistusinne my entire life, I was overjoyed when we purchased our own cabin in 2016. We, along with our children Nicole (31), Jake (20), Luke (18) and Jorja (16) are all very thankful to have a place where we can enjoy both family time and lake time to its fullest.

I am an active member of the Line 19 community on various Boards and spend many hours volunteering for the various activities that we host both within the Resort Village of Mistusinne as well as the other communities along Highway 19. My previous employment provided extensive knowledge in financial literacy, budgeting and human resources.

We are all very fortunate to have such a beautiful place to spend our time with friends and family and I would like to ensure that it remains a fun, safe and enjoyable location for all current and future ratepayers and their families.

Q & A

What is the number one issue you want to address during this term of council?

Beach Accessibility – we have started to do some work on the Main Beach area. My goal would be to have a wheelchair mat that can extend into the water but that is also manageable with our water level changes. I would like the Village to continue to work on grant funding so that we can provide all residents within the village an accessible area to enjoy the beach and the lake while taking into consideration environmental and wildlife impacts.

What are the three most common issues voters are bringing up to you as you campaign?

·Beach Accessibility project – many voters have expressed concerns that we will be revamping all beach areas within the village and that is incorrect. I have advised them that the current council is only focusing on the main beach area to provide accessibility to those with mobility challenges as well as all other residents. In high water years this area will be the only beach with sand for families to spend their days at the lake. The current council is also very budget focused where this project is concerned.

·Dead or aged out trees – we have many trees within the village that are aged out. Voters would like to see more trees that are showing signs of severe aging being removed before they fall and cause property damage.

·Taxes – most ratepayers understand that the cost of operating (ex. Garbage, staffing, equipment, etc.) has increased dramatically in the past few years but they would like council to be VERY mindful where spending is concerned.

If elected what do you plan to accomplish in your first 100 days?

Council training – our Village Council was invited to partake in a joint council training session, at a very economical rate, with other Resort Villages throughout Saskatchewan. I would like to see all council members, new & returning, participate in this as it will provide valuable education and networking opportunities for everyone involved.

If you received a one million dollar grant to use for the municipality any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Sport Court with Tennis courts, Pickleball courts and basketball court

Disc golf course

All Terrain Vehicle beach access north of the boat ramp to alleviate people having to use the boat ramp to access the beach where vehicle traffic is allowed.

Tell us something about you, that you think will make you a positive addition to the new council?

I have an open-door policy for all members of the community to voice concerns or discuss improvement options. As a councillor, I want you to come talk to me, ask me questions and tell me your concerns so that together as a village we can address them and hopefully come up with a solution that suitable for everyone. I am trying very hard to have the “Seek first to understand, then to be understood” policy.

MEET THE CANDIDATES FOR COUNCILLOR (4)

Lorrie Moffat



Profile

Our family has been coming to Mistusinne since 1977 when we started building our cottage.

I was previously employed in the Finance industry for over 35 years and have a strong work ethic, committed, believe in reliability, accountability and honesty. I also have held various executive positions and assisted in making Policies and Bylaws for local, provincial and national organizations.

I have volunteered for Mistusinne Playground Committee, Mistusinne Charity Golf, Habitat for Humanity Women's Build, Heart & Stroke Foundation, and Canadian Diabetes Foundation.

I am proud of my previous involvement on Council for the last two terms, with emphasis on community events, the improvements made to the playground, the Welcome to Mistusinne sign, golf course signs and the entrance light to the village, among additional projects.

I greatly appreciate the work of volunteers at the Resort Village of Mistusinne for their continued commitment to making our village a very enjoyable place for residents and visitors.

As a Councillor and representative of the Village I am committed to:

- working to see that our village continues to progress to an even more welcoming place to live and visit.
- work for better access at all our beaches and the boat launch area.
- work to try and involve more ratepayers in the community and attend Council Meetings.
- work to update our Policies and Bylaws to reflect the present and the future of our Village.
- continue to listen to our ratepayers' concerns.

Comments or questions: Please contact me at 306-230-2129, email at ljmoffat@sasktel.net or stop by our cottage at 605 Sakuhikan Drive. I always look forward to hearing from our residents.

Thank you to those that supported me in the past.
I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

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Brian Summers



Profile

Karen (My wife) and I have owned a family cottage in the village of Mistusinne for 11 years. We have 2 children and 4 grandsons

I am a RCMP officer retired with 22 years of service to the community and Canada as a whole.

I was previously elected to council for 6 years from 2013 to 2019.

In closing there are many issues at stake and with your vote, I would take any questions or concerns you the voters have, and work with council on your behalf and do what is best for the village of Mistusinne.

Q & A

What is the number one issue you want to address during this term of council?

The number one issue I want to address if I was elected to council. During my term would be addressing the playground area, mainly the pickleball court and the basketball courts. Currently there are tree roots growing under the asphalt slab creating heaves, which can create an unsafe issue. The parameter and tennis netting need to be replaced.

What are the three most common issues voters are bringing up to you as you campaign?

- Disc Golf course in the green spaces around the village.
- Kids riding ATV/s and dirt bikes on the roads. Making a trail north of the village with some dirt jumps with safety measures and protocol put into place. We would need put up a sign to use at your own risk. With no Liability on the village.
- Bigger rocks being removed off the beach areas where possible with community members help to reduce cost.

If elected what do you plan to accomplish in your first 100 days?

I would like to accomplish the removal of dead trees and branches on village property, creating a volunteer group if needed to keep cost down. Dandelions seem to have taken over the golf course. I believe it would be beneficial to look into something environmental to spray the golf course with. This alone would make the village look a million times better.

If you received a one million dollar grant to use for the municipality any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would like to see a building in the village which would include a hall, kitchen with washroom facilities. Complete with a 12 stall campground with full services. The hall could be used for village activities and could also be rented out for family gatherings, examples of this would be reunions, birthdays, anniversaries, retirements celebrations this would also generate revenue for the village

Tell us something about you, that you think will make you a positive addition to the new council?

I want the residents of Mistusinne to know that their thoughts, concerns and future matters will hold weight with me as your elected councilman for the village of Mistusinne.

I believe I have the experience, knowledge, leadership, commitment and attentive understanding of concerns that are critical to be elected to the village of Mistusinne's council. I believe my platform is quite straight forward. We need accountability, efficiency, honesty, transparency and vision for the future of the village of Mistusinne.

I would bring with me a common sense combined with a no non sense point of view with a touch business mind set.