

## Mayor's Communiqué (February 10, 2009)

It has been two months now since the December 1, 2008 Inaugural meeting of Council. A routine is being developed. Improved communications is a serious goal that is important to me and this "Mayor's Message" on the Town's website is a beginning.

The **Learning Curve** – It has become obvious to me that our Regional District issues and responsibilities, which relate directly to the Town of Creston are major and it important that I learn historic data through study, dialogue and meetings. I can then better understand how I can contribute to each of these areas. These concerns are inherent to every citizen – locally, regionally, provincially, nationally and globally.

Some examples are:

WATER – clean and safe water that is delivered effectively, efficiently and economically.

LIQUID WASTE – our Sewer Treatment Plant needs major attention.

SOLID WASTE – now we are into the age of Resource Recovery Systems.

POLICING – work on an effective Regional Policing Model is a priority.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – how can we co-ordinate the many groups that have mandates for economic growth and awareness including tourism in our Valley?

My posted weekly office hours are:

Monday	9AM to 4PM
Tuesday	9AM to 4PM
Thursday	9AM to 4PM

I have been logging 5 day weeks and this will continue until the Golf Season starts (Wednesday will be my "hit the ball" day).

During February, I am scheduled to attend the following (this is in addition to Committee of the Whole and Town Council meetings on alternate Tuesdays).

Feb. 10	Wildsight AGM at Rotacrest Hall
Feb. 11	Creston Community Network meeting
Feb. 12	RDCK General Affairs meeting in Nelson
Feb. 13-14	Town of Creston Planning Sessions in Creston
Feb. 17-19	UBCM Orientation meetings in Nelson
Feb. 20	Chamber Breakfast with Premier Campbell in Cranbrook
Feb. 20	Meeting with MP -- Jim Abbott in Cranbrook
Feb. 24	Creston Valley Community Services meeting
Feb. 26	RDCK Board meeting in Nelson Also Community to Community Forum in Cranbrook
Feb. 27	Relay For Life kick-off breakfast Valentine's Bonspiel (ladies) to start

***I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU:***

Please share your concerns, your experience, your issues (both positive and negative) on how we can improve the quality of life in our community (the Town and the Valley).

Thanks

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