March 3, 2021

RESULTS NOW OFFICIAL – CITY CONFIRMS BY-ELECTION RESULTS

By-election results have now been confirmed by the City's chief election officer. A final review has confirmed all ballot numbers correct as outlined in a March 1 news release sharing preliminary results.

Sean Smyth won the most votes to fill the vacant seat on Campbell River city council.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed when Smyth is sworn in as a new councillor in Council Chambers at City Hall prior to the March 8 Council meeting.

A total of 2,439 ballots were cast, with 303 people voting by mail and 1,075 during advance polls.

Voter turnout was approximately 8.6 per cent. Voter turnout in the 2018 municipal election was 24.4 per cent.

Number of votes cast for all eight candidates were:
BLACKBURN, Ken - 477
CHAPMAN, Douglas - 106
DONALDSON, Kealy - 182
GARAT, Devon - 70
JEWELL, Stephen - 14
ROED, Wes - 166
SLISKOVIC, Laurel - 421
SMYTH, Sean – 1,003

The by-election was held to fill a vacancy on City Council after former City Councillor Michele Babchuk was elected to the provincial legislature during the fall 2020 election.

The by-election, including options for voting, was advertised through local news media (newspaper, radio stations and Shaw TV) as well as on the City's website, social media channels and roadside reader boards. The by-election was also promoted through local organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce and by the candidates.

Please direct any questions about the election to chief elections officer Elle Brovold (by email to Elle.Brovold@CampbellRiver.ca or telephone 250-286-5709).

Contact: Elle Brovold, Chief Elections Officer   250-286-570

COVID-19

Please note: We have new procedures in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

We are gradually – carefully – resuming in-person services and limited public access to City facilities.
For the most recent information on City services, please see our website (**campbellriver.ca**).
Reach us with general inquiries by email (**info@campbellriver.ca**) or telephone **250-286-5700.**