



Mayor's Message November 2010

Well the campaigning is over and we had 23.3% of our voter population come out to vote in this election! All previous Councillors who ran were elected again and a new face joins Town hall, Mr. Terry Leighton. He will be a great addition to the Chestermere Council and is at work already! Congratulations to all those candidates who worked hard on their campaign regardless of the outcome and for final results please see the Town's website- www.chestermere.ca. Our thanks go out to former Councillor Tim Reid, who decided not to run again after 6 years of dedicated service but whose input will be missed.

This election brought to light some serious concerns about the voting process that are not only being addressed with the Provincial government but are being tightened up through our own Bylaws right now. Voter fraud is an issue we've never had to deal with before in Chestermere and we are working to make sure any loopholes are closed for the next election. Under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms every Canadian citizen has the democratic right to vote. We consider that right sacred and we will do whatever we can to protect its integrity.

Updates include:

- **Health Centre-** after many hours of hard work the facility subcommittee has brought back a recommendation for a location! The project is now moving forward in the hands of our local doctors and the chosen developer, with the goal to have a health centre open in Chestermere by the beginning of 2013!
- **Health Professional Open House-** if you are a health professional interested in or currently practicing in Chestermere please join the Committee for a Health Centre Open House on November 29th. For more information please contact the Health Committee at healthcommittee@chestermere.ca or see the Town's website.



Remembrance Day- the Cenotaph Committee is proud to be able to bring the first ever Remembrance Day Ceremonies to the Town of Chestermere. Please join us on November 11th at 10:30 in Anniversary Park (across from the Rec. Centre). Ceremonies will begin at 10:45 a.m.

- **Flu Clinic-** the Whitecappers will be hosting a Flu Vaccination Clinic on Nov. 15th from 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Their room is located on the East side of the Rec. Centre with the door beside the playground. All are welcome to attend.
- **WinterFest-** will be taking place on January 15th, 2011 to honour the anniversary date of the Olympic Torch Relay event. We hope to see you there for more fun in the snow!
- **Snow Removal-** please be aware that the Town of Chestermere's current policy is to plow snow on primary and secondary routes as a priority. For information on these routes please see the Town's website: chestermere.ca/images/uploads/Policy301_SnowMaintenance.pdf
- **Sportsplex-** the company that had proposed to build the Sportsplex in Chestermere will not be moving forward with the project. The Town will be considering options for that site over the next year.
- **Christmas time events-** please keep your eyes on the Town's website for a listing of Town holiday events. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and I won't get the chance before the next Mayor's message to say it!

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all the residents of Chestermere for your support and well wishes for my next term in the office of the Mayor. I truly enjoy the position and am honoured to be able to represent you again over the next three exciting years!

Mayor Matthews

