Boughton, Curtis do it again

Two councillors known for their charity work around town have been re-elected in Ward 2, proving not all Miltonians want change.

Incumbents Mike Boughton and Mark Curtis were all smiles Monday night, and expressed their gratitude to their families and supporters.

"I'm ecstatic," Boughton said shortly after the results came in. "The public has given me the confidence to continue on with what I'm meant to do."

He said he's grateful for the support he's been given over the past few months from his family and supporters, and said he's looking forward to making Milton an even better community in which to live.

Though glad about his win, Boughton made no qualms about the fact he's surprised and disappointed over some of the changes to council —

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that longtime counc i l l o r s
J o h n
Challinor
and Ron
Furik were
ousted.

WARD 2 - COUNCILLOR	
Mike Boughton	# votes 2049
Mark Curtis	1729
Peter Haight	1155
Jim Timbers	577

Mark Curtis said he's grateful to the residents of Ward 2 for their support and credits his win to "a lot of hard work" including speaking to thousands of residents. He said it's evident residents have some "deep concerns," and that voters view him as someone they can trust.

"I think they knew I'm deeply committed to smart growth, and will do what I can to protect green spaces," Curtis said.

Schau, Scherer in; Challinor out

Residents and councillors alike were surprised at the defeat of Ward 4's John Challinor, who served on council for the past 15 years.

"It's a funny way to go out, but that's life," said Challinor at the Milton Seniors' Activity Centre, adding, "I have no regrets."

The voters, he said, are always right.

"They have their reasons, and I respect that."
Incumbent Wendy Schau was voted in for a second term, with newcomer Paul Scherer — known around town for his volunteer work — claiming the second spot.

Scherer said no one was more surprised than he at Challinor's ousting.

"I was a bit surprised, if not shocked that he was the one not continuing to serve Milton," he said, adding, "I want to congratulate John

Challinor for his long and dedicated service to this community."

Scherer said he's WARD 4 - COUNCILLOR
votes
Wendy Schau 2153
Paul Scherer 2076
John Challinor 1823
John Daly 1339

looking forward to delivering what he promised, which included strategically slowing growth.

Schau said she's pleased voters responded positively to her campaign, in which she made no efforts to hide the challenges Milton faces.

"It could've gone badly for me," she admitted, adding, "I thought if I was going to be re-elected, I wanted to make clear what I think is important."



