

Election '96

~ Mike Watson ~

Ward 2 election candidate Mike Watson made a list and he's checked it more than twice.

In his bid to win the Dec. 13 by-election, Watson's campaign issues for the ward include water, the need for a sewer system and tax assessment.

Also, Watson expects to discuss issues affecting the entire town, especially the new town hall-library complex and the second ice pad which is under construction.

The Elmvale Blvd. said his interest in local government was sparked when the communal water system was presented to his neighborhood.

"The water issue took me to the town hall. Once there, I became interested in how local government works," he said.

~ Carol Davis ~

Armed with an "I'm just an ordinary citizen," motto, Ward 2 candidate Carol Davis has hit the campaign trail along with three others.

There's nothing fancy about Davis or her campaign. "I have no specialty. I have no As, Bs, Cs, or Ds after my name. But, I'm an independent thinker. I've lived here a long time. I care. As far as I'm concerned, the future of Whitchurch-Stouffville is in Ward 2," said Davis. The 64-year-old candidate has lived in Ballantrae since her marriage to Morley 45 years ago. Now a (Please see page 22)

~ Roland Kontgen ~

A town freeze, a hold on the new town hall, and a desire to make local government more of a people business are on the agenda when candidate Roland Kontgen vies for votes in Ward 2.

A marketing, training and education consultant, the 56-year-old Kontgen is self-employed, running his business out of his Porterdale Dr. home. "I'm flexible enough to juggle the duties of a local councillor," said Kontgen. Calling himself a strong communicator, Kontgen (Please see page 22)

water will be turned on. And, they need to know the status of the water holding tank," he said.

The candidate is not an advocate of a new town hall-library complex, valued at \$2.5 million. "We may need the library expanded, but I don't see a need for a new town hall," said Watson. Ice user groups should be contributing directly to the capital cost of the new ice pad, said Watson.

Watson was born and raised in Barrie. Married to Patricia, the couple has no children. A 10-year resident of Musselman's Lake, Watson, a tree spader, is employed by Eagle Ridge Tree, a Stouffville company.

~ Richard Farmer ~

Former Ward 2 candidate Richard Farmer is going to try it again.

One of four candidates in the Dec. 13 by-election, Farmer filed his nomination papers yesterday morning.

In the last municipal election, Farmer attracted 321 votes, compared to 724 for the late Ed Lyons. A 35-year-old insurance agent with a Markham-based company, he has lived on Iroquois Dr. in Ballantrae for close to four years.

Watson takes an interest in both business and community development. He's the executive vice president of the Toronto Junior Board of Trade and a member of the Jaycees. Married to Anne, the couple has no children.

While on the campaign trail, Farmer, a sports buff, is reminding voters that he supports council's move to enter into a debenture plan to pay for the soon-to-be-completed second ice pad.

"We've got to keep kids pro-active. I back this project 110 per cent," he said.

Council's move to consider building a new town hall-library complex has caught Farmer's attention. While the candidate recognizes that the town has outgrown the present council chamber, he wonders if it would be financially wiser to hold council meetings in unused auditoriums in schools. "We've got schools we don't use. We need to think along these lines when making decisions," said Farmer.

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