

My wife and I moved to Creston in the summer of 2020. Living in the valley is *simply magical*, and the comfortable pace and variety of natural vistas is extraordinary. I am a keen recreational cyclist (on the executive of the Creston Valley Cycling Association since its formation) and dedicated kayaker, spending much of my spare time exploring with our two dogs. I am a Creston taxpayer (1713 Scott) and pay about $6,500 in taxes and water/garbage collection fees annually.

I spent decades with the BC government in administration and project coordination, most recently with Ministry of Tourism agencies: the Royal BC Museum, Tourism BC and then Destination BC, fully retiring in 2018.

I have 5 years of local governance experience, and along with my dedicated colleagues on council, I consistently “show up and get it done”. Councillors also have a range of assigned civic-related committee and conference obligations, involving significant extra hours of participation, research, reporting and travel. We diligently review the hundreds of issues of varying complexity presented each year in thousands of pages of documents by our extremely capable town staff for our review and input. This is an efficient process supporting responsible decision making.

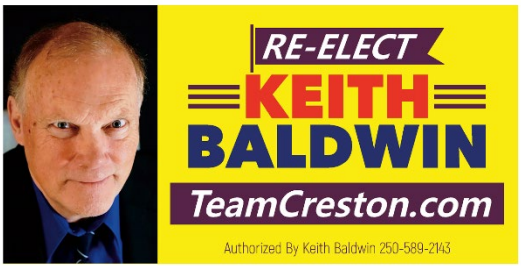
Reasonable, informed citizens will always recognize the critical value of a municipal team that works together pleasantly and professionally - building on Creston's positive reputation as a great place to live, work and play. A sustainable working balance can be achieved best by a responsible group of independent candidates that as a team represent the best interests of Creston and are capable of reliably fulfilling their obligations through effective collaboration.

I am impartial, fair, calm, respectful, and analytical. I've taken the time to research the community (developing a couple of dynamic reference websites in the process). I am an advocate of Creston transitioning in 2027 to its proper status as a CITY, based upon its population and organizational excellence. I use my administrative planning, reporting and analysis experience to responsibly serve the council team and the community as a whole.

I behave with "Think Global - Act Local" sensitivity and always support Creston businesses (I've been a member of the CV Chamber of Commerce for 5 years).

I manage realistic expectations... core operational spending is mostly focused on our provincially legislated obligations. Minimizing long-term impact on local taxpayers while providing quality levels of service and security for future generations is a priority.

Ultimately, INTEGRITY is the key. I am values-driven and independent, doing my part to ensure Council remains peaceful, professional and productive.



Related Websites I've produced (selection):

https://Creston2024.com and

https://InterCareBC.com

My involvement is based upon simple, transparent and positive principles:

"Through responsible management and positive civic leadership we will preserve and enhance the enviable quality of life in Creston that draws new residents, businesses and visitors, keeping us all healthy, happy and hopeful. I will do my part to ensure that the new Mayor and Council continue to function effectively, efficiently and respectfully to deliver a balance of services in a dynamic community and global context, managing expectations at all levels."

I am proud to have been part of a dynamic, caring and respectful council team that strives to do the most with what we have in terms of resources, while creating a pleasant, supportive environment that inspires collaboration in the community beyond the limits of municipal funding. With dedication, kindness and consideration, we can work towards meeting the core needs of our community well into the future.