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Still Undecided?



We're getting down to the wire. Voting starts Monday October 15th at 10AM and ends Monday Oct 22, 2018 at 8PM. For more info on how and where to vote, please click on this link

<https://calendar.cobourg.ca/meeting/Detail/2018-10-15-1000-Voter-Help-Centre>

In case you haven't made up your mind yet, here's another way to get more information on the candidates.

Cogeco – York Bell-Smith Interviews Each of the Candidates.

Each interview is about 10 min long (and he does ask about the marina expansion) – so you can get them all in around 2 hours.

<http://www.yourtv.tv/cobourg-port-hope/videos>

Don't Miss the Deputy Mayors Debate – (about 1 hour)

https://youtu.be/1JCVCykMq_k

Let the best men/women win!

Divided They Stand

Where do the candidates currently stand on marina expansion into the west harbour and the travel lift? Here's the latest – straight from the All Candidates Meeting put on by the Northumberland Central Chamber of Commerce last week. The first question asked was:

“Are you for or against additional boat slips in west harbour?”

Answers varied:

Clearly and Emphatically Opposed to additional boat slips

Nicole Beatty	Johnny Percolides	Suzanne Séguin
Emily Chorley	Adam Bureau	Aaron Burchat
Karl Vom Dorff	Miriam Mutton	Travis Hoover

Qualified Opposition to additional boat slips

- Randy Curtis – “I am opposed until ...”
- Brian Darling – “I am opposed for the 4 years of this new Council's term. Then I would want a referendum”.

The second question asked was:

“Are you for or against the town of Cobourg/marina purchasing a travel boat lift?”

Clearly and Emphatically Opposed to a Travel Lift

Nicole Beatty	Karl Vom Dorff	Suzanne Séguin
Emily Chorley	Johnny Percolides	

Qualified Opposition to a Travel Lift

- Miriam Mutton said, “It would depend upon...”

- Randy Curtis said that his would be a math-based decision
- Brian Darling said he needed more facts and figures and that the jury was still out.
- Aaron Burchat said there was not enough info
- Travis Hoover would support a boat lift paid for by the boaters but not by taxpayers. He did not seem to be very familiar with the waterfront history, issues or the study.
- Adam Bureau would call for a Town hall meeting.

Waterfront Plan

The people at our table also discussed the waterfront plan with some but not all of the candidates. One participant asked some of the candidates if they realized that accepting the waterfront plan meant that 2/3 of the green space would be converted into parking lots resulting in a loss of permeability.

Candidates critical of the waterfront plan and its methodology

Nicole Beatty

Karl Vom Dorff

Suzanne Séguin

Emily Chorley

Adam Bureau

Miriam Mutton

Candidates who defended the waterfront plan

- Brian Darling said that the plan was designed to be fluid and that he was following the recommendations of the consultants.

People at our table pointed out that these were not the consultant's recommendations but that they were actually "Town staff recommendations".

Caution! For Election Junkies Only!

Can't get enough? One of our supporters attended both all candidate meetings last week and took copious notes. Read on.

[All Candidates Meeting October 10, 2018](#)

[Sustainable Cobourg October 12, 2018](#)

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