

Hello there, my name is Blaine Unger, and I am proud to call Shell Lake, Saskatchewan, home. We have owned a home in the community for the past 22 years, and over that time I have come to truly appreciate what makes Shell Lake such a special place to live. I value the openness, friendliness, and community spirit of the people who call Shell Lake home.

I am now retired after a career of more than 30 years as a Power Engineer and Regional Properties Manager. In that role, I led a staff of operators responsible for maintaining laboratory facilities across Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and the Yukon. My work gave me extensive experience with budgets, codes and bylaws, mechanical systems, fire protection systems, sewer systems, and the many practical challenges involved in maintaining and managing community facilities and infrastructure. Throughout my career, I have enjoyed working with people, listening to ideas, sharing information, and finding practical solutions. I believe those same qualities are important when serving as a councillor. I want to be approachable, fiscally responsible, open, and direct, while making sure residents have an opportunity to share their ideas and concerns.

Now that I am retired, I would like to give back to the community I have called home for more than two decades and more if you include camping time also, I want to be involved in shaping the future of Shell Lake and help ensure that it continues to be a great place to live, work, raise a family, and enjoy for generations to come.

Outside of work and community involvement, I enjoy the outdoors and staying active through curling, golf, hockey, and snowmobiling. I also spent many years coaching hockey and serving on the hockey board while my children were growing up.

Those experiences reinforced for me the importance of teamwork, listening to others, and working together toward a common goal.

I believe my professional experience, knowledge of community infrastructure and budgets, love for Shell Lake, and willingness to listen and work with others would allow me to make a positive contribution as a member of Town Council.

I would be honoured to have the opportunity to serve the community of Shell Lake and work together with residents to build an even stronger future for our town.

If anyone wants to meet or talk to me personally about anything, I'm open for discussion and available any time.

Blaine Unger