

1) Innisfil / LYFT and Uber - I like this idea. Anytime we can introduce innovation and technology into the economic mix to meet greater social needs is a win-win. Of course there will be some problems to iron out as there is with anything new. Innisfil is thinking out of the box and this is the new fresh thinking we all need to think about. In what we refer to as second world countries, third world does not seem applicable now. These new emerging economies are using technology and innovation to leapfrog their economies and societies forward. Since they are now leading by example, we should embrace the same thinking from time to time. I took the time to speak to some younger folks about this mode of transport and they are 100 % for this and felt it would greatly help them go about their daily lives.

2) AirBnB and other Short term rental websites - these speak to inclusiveness, the shared economy and the economic realities of today and are economic drivers. I found it interesting, when talking with a short term rental owner, that he would like to at least maintain the current level of compliance, since the organizations whom they belong to rate the experience the clients had and this results in greater business for his operation. The secret is to find the right balance between those who wish to participate and those who reside in the neighbourhood. I also took the time to ask younger people about this. To my surprise, most when they travel never use a hotel. With reduced costs they find it a richer experience and the added bonus is most AirBnB's come with a host who can provide information about the area.

3) TBM cellular and internet coverage - most of the TBM is classified as rural and within in what we would classify as small urban. Within these urban centres, high speed internet is available. As for cell phone coverage, my cell phone works almost entirely within the municipality with the odd exception of heavily treed areas, between hills and natural occurring magnetic features. We will continue to see improvements as technology advances.

4) Taxation - certain core services must be delivered, therefore slight taxation increases will be required to meet these unless the public demands that the level of servicing drops. I believe that the best way to managing spending is for council to deliver social needs using strong financial policies and within the budgetary process.

5) I would like the municipality to keep strengthening our tax base at the commercial, light industry and high tech level. Tourism is doing its share, agriculture is evolving allowing for integration between tourism and value added and farmgate agricultural services and products. Why I say light industry, increased commercialization and high tech these sectors will help enhance our overall labour market needs and diversified tax base by building more stable community structures.

6) Approving new subdivisions - this is interesting. I actually know a developer who placed covenants on the lots to keep trees and the home owners and contractors removed them. From a business point of view, I can understand the logic of clearing everything and bringing back trees on an as needed basis to the development and I can also appreciate nearby residents desire to have a treed wildlife habitat. The MNR has

established areas of natural and scientific importance (ANSI) along with the endangered species buffer zones for cold water and warm water streams. What the municipality could look at is what other municipalities do - neighbourhood design plans along with tree preservation plans within the developers' agreement/ and sunset clauses

7) Infrastructure deficits and aging pipes -our community is blessed on the infrastructure side as growth and development allows the infrastructure to remain current. This allows for our municipality to set aside monies in reserves for future needs, which I currently believe is around 1%. We also need to have strong knowledgeable and experienced representation at the county level and other upper tier levels of government to bring wealth back to this municipality.

We currently need to finish off the road construction on Elma, deal with the leachate and other needs at the landfill to meet MOE requirements, the tenth line bridge, and potentially service an area for attainable housing

8) Extend the landfill times - If the public wants this and are willing to pay a little more on their taxes.

9) I think I would like to see some splash pads - this isn't a program but it does speak to the need to develop programs for our youth and seniors. I would let the public bring the need for additional programming to our staff and council representation. I was also surprised when I asked the question about programs and oddly enough the answer I got was more about services and not the standard municipal services. It was about increasing diversity and cultural experiences through food and the arts

10) Ward System and currently at large. (Taxation without representation)

(a) I'm not against the ward system in fact I would like to know more about it

(b) I find the municipal structure a little rigid at the same time understanding the need

(c) I would like to see council have more flexibility on its scheduling to increase public participation to include the weekend population from time to time. I also see no reason not to hold council in other locations within the municipality

(d) I would like to see greater involvement of our knowledgeable public serving on committees. This will serve several needs while encouraging people to participate in municipal governance and possible encourage some to serve on council,

11) Pretty River Quarry proposal and my thoughts

When I was first invited to look at the quarry I thought it best to take some time to better understand the concern

- First I contacted our planning staff to better understand what the municipality's position was

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- Then I called MNR and asked to speak to a representative who could walk me through the permitting process for a quarry and the process for rehabilitation

- next an e-mail to GSCA to see who the commenting agency was on ground water, this being MOE and Climate Change

- Somewhere in the process from what I could gather the applicant or the municipality triggered a review of the process by the new planning authority, equivalent to the old OMB

To simple say I was against it without pertinent information would have been reckless. If I'm elected to council I must be respectful of the process while taking into consideration the needs of others and ideally through consensus meet the needs of everyone. I know this sounds like a political answer but to say anything otherwise would not be truthful from my point of view

12) At this point in time, if what you mean by green space is lawns /parks, the answer is no. What we need is access to water for recreation, increasing our relationship with the Bruce Trail and MNR ,Conservation and Grey County Forests for eco-friendly tourism

13) People use bikes to commute. Let's build on the share the road program. Keep raising awareness on bike safety, and bring the driving public into the conversation. We need to start looking at biking as a family experience (if we can teach the youth in school about safety the message becomes greater). Biking needs to be presented to the driving public as more than a weekend recreational activity.

On purely the physical safety side we increase signage at key points within the community and perhaps have the cycling community develop a handbook for the cycling community on what is expected from them and in turn the driving public is introduced to this through driver training and lunch and learn seminars hosted by interested parties.

The obvious cure all is paved shoulders and secondly, predictable cycling routes so the driving public can make informed decisions of when and where to drive if they wish to avoid the cycling public, but until this happens we need to promote safety through education and hands-on methods.

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