



Bulletin de FALLINGBROOK Newsletter



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Ward 1 and Ward 19 Candidate Platforms

All candidates were asked to answer the five questions below. If a candidate's reply appears to be incomplete, that is because it has been edited to fit within the assigned column space. Ward 1 candidates are highlighted below. Ward 19 candidate platforms are printed inside.

- Q1.** With a significant budget deficit forecasted for next year, explain your priorities for the services/programs that must be maintained and those that should be reduced or cut.
- Q2.** Under what circumstances would you support an increase in municipal taxes?
- Q3.** What do you believe are the transportation priorities for the East End?
- Q4.** Under what circumstances would you support an inter-provincial bridge at Petrie Island?
- Q5.** If elected, what do you see as your first priority for action to benefit your constituents?

ELECTIONS 2003 ÉLECTIONS

Mayor

Ike AWGU
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 Ron BURKE
 Bob CHIARELLI
 Terry KILREA
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 John C. TURMEL
 Donna UPSON

City Councillors

Ward 1 - Orléans
 Herb KRELING
 Louise MALLOY

Ward 19 - Cumberland
 Pierre E. DOUCETTE
 Rob JELLET
 Garry LOWE
 David WHISSELL

Vote Monday, November 10th !

Ward 1 – Orléans

Herb KRELING

Q1. There is a \$120 m funding gap forecast for 2004. We must seek efficiencies from our Universal Program Review; negotiate a new deal for sustainable funding on infrastructure and greater flexibility on assessment and tax ratios regulations with the Province; and, develop more partnerships in the public and private sector for delivering municipal services. I believe that Police, Fire, Ambulance, Transit, Paratranspo and certain of our mandated social programs, are essential to our community. Recreation, Parks, Culture, and Arts while equally important to our quality of life, pose perhaps the best opportunities to engage partners to assist in the delivery of these services.

Q2. I believe we need to exhaust all avenues available through the universal program review, provincial arrangements and local partnerships before we consider a tax increase. I do not support a tax increase. If there were to be consideration for this, it must first be discussed in the community and we would require public consultations that would identify the nature of the increase, the programs affected, and the benefits that the community would receive as a result.

Q3. Transportation priorities for our community include: better utilization of the transitway with additional buses; enlarged park and ride facilities; widening of Innes Road; improving the 417/174 split to accommodate traffic volumes and to prepare for widening of the 174; and, connecting Innes Road to the Walkley/Hunt Club Corridor. Some of these initiatives are underway and some are in the study phase.

Q4. I do not support an interprovincial bridge at Petrie Island. I believe we must look to locations for bridge crossings that do not place additional traffic, and truck usage, into existing residential communities. We cannot simply remove this problem from one community in Ottawa and place it in another.

Q5. My first priority, if elected, will be to consult with the community on the Universal Program Review and the 2004 City Budget. This is necessary so that we have a clear indication of the services deemed essential by the residents; those that the community believes need improvement; and, those that the community believes could be reduced or cut altogether. The upcoming budget, and how our Orléans projects will be accommodated and completed, and the taxes that residents pay will be the focus for the immediate few months after the election.

Louise MALLOY

Q1. We need a minimal level of emergency services (fire, police and ambulance), which must be sustained for the welfare of citizens. Basic levels of service for water, sewer, electricity, garbage & recycling and road repairs must be sustained. The Go Train should 'go' away. In fact, the entire urban transportation system should be reviewed to ensure it is meeting commuter demands at a price comparable to other cities the size of Ottawa. Placing limitations on curbside garbage should encourage more recycling and reduce landfill reqmnts. Investing in a better network of roads with ample park & ride and park & car pool facilities should save money in the longer term by reducing the strain on key arteries and encouraging better use of public transportation. Investing in a better strategy for low income housing should save money by reducing the strain on social services created by desperate people who sleep on the street. Cultural centres must prove to benefit the majority of tax payers or private funding should be essential.

Q2. I am opposed to a tax increase. I will be vigilante in speaking out for my Ward 1 constituents demanding a tax freeze until all other avenues have been exhausted. Amalgamation should have yielded savings to the taxpayer through decreased infrastructure and fewer employees. I would prefer to determine where there is waste in city hall (communications department, credit cards, managers changing and refurbishing offices, etc).

Q3. Since the Go Train is simply too expensive, I would focus on improving park and ride facilities and the transitway to make them more desirable to commuters. I would also seek to improve bus service during periods of high ridership and reduce it during periods of low ridership in an effort to keep the fares competitive. Alternatives such as better 'park & car pool' facilities would also be investigated. I'd also focus on increasing business within Orleans (to create jobs in Orleans) so less persons will be reliant on public transit. I would also focus on having a Hotel in Orleans and promote tourism in the East end. Expansion of Trim Road Highway 174 park and ride should also be pursued and improvements with the ongoing development on Innis/Trim Road area.

Q4. At this point I am opposed to an inter-provincial bridge at Petrie Island.

Q5 Reducing or eliminating the 126 million Ottawa debt.

**L'exécutif de l'Association communautaire
Fallingbrook pour l'année 2003-04**

**Fallingbrook Community Association
2003-04 Executive List**

L'Association communautaire Fallingbrook aimerait vous souhaiter la bienvenue dans notre communauté. Nous invitons toute personne intéressée à une de nos réunions. Les réunions ont habituellement lieu le troisième lundi du mois (septembre à avril) au centre Ray Friel.

The Fallingbrook Community Association would like to welcome you to the neighborhood. If you would like to attend one of our executive meetings, they are normally held the third Monday of the month (Sep to Apr) at the Ray Friel Centre.

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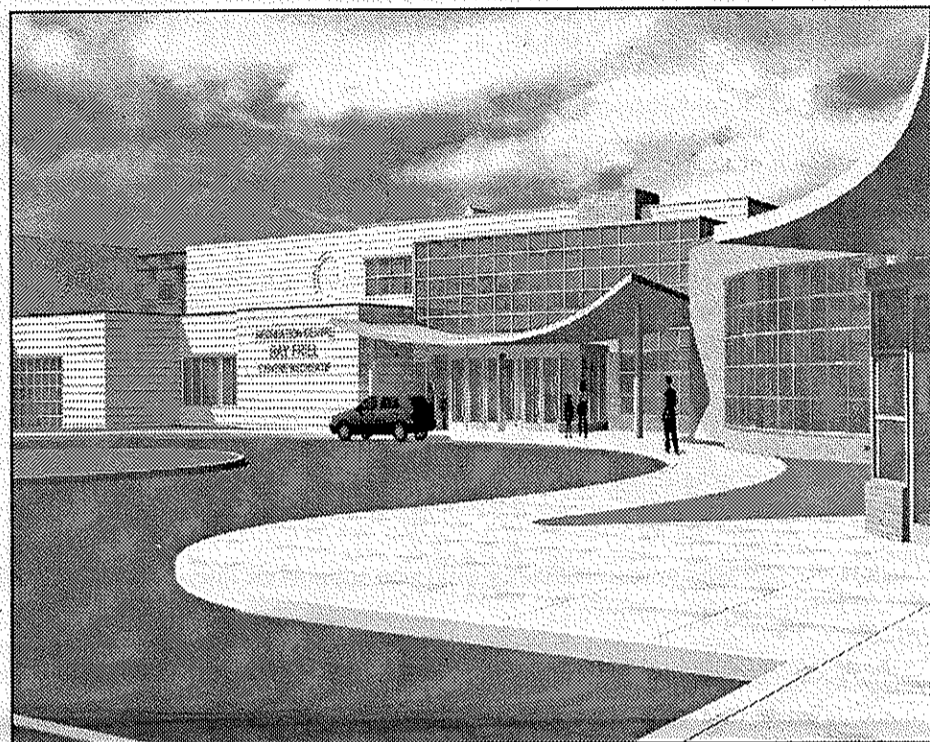
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Two New Arenas: Ray Friel Centre

The City of Ottawa and Serco Facilities Management will work together for the construction of two new arenas at the Ray Friel Centre under the terms of the city's Public-Private Partnership (P3) program. In exchange for Serco covering the capital costs of the arena construction, the city will sign a multi-year contract for the annual rental of 2400 hours of prime ice time.

The new arenas are expected to be ready by the Fall of 2004. Shown below are artist concept drawings of what the new Ray Friel Centre could look like. Note that these pictures are representative only and that changes are still possible for the final design.



Ray Friel Arena Artists Concept
(Courtesy Serco)

Neighbourhood Watch

In the month of September there were: 12 counts of mischief, 5 break and enters, 4 stolen vehicles, 4 disturbances and 18 thefts in Fallingbrook. (Crime Statistics are available at www.ottavapolice.ca)

The Orleans Village Community Police Centre made a presentation on Neighbourhood Watch to the Fallingbrook Community Association in September. They followed up in the month of October with a canvass of over 200 homes in an effort to reduce these numbers.

If you are interested in forming a watch for your neighbourhood please contact Denise Chadala at 837-2046 or fallingbrooknw@hotmail.com.



Ward 19 – Cumberland

Pierre E. DOUCETTE

Q1. I believe people are receiving a comfortable level of city services and don't want to have their services cut. There are obvious priorities such as water, transportation and transit as well as emergency and protective services. There is always room to spend more to improve services, but I do not see much room for cutting. Until a better understanding of city service spending is published with the Universal Program Review, we won't know exactly where we need to spend more and where we can save.

Q2. I would increase municipal taxes only after exhausting all other possibilities. No one ever wants to raise taxes, but I do not believe we can hold the line for another three years. I would rather support a gradual increase of 1-2%, than a tax freeze followed by a drastic increase, which we are currently facing.

Q3. My first two priorities are improving transit use, as well as the expansion of Innes Rd. to four lanes. I am in full support of light rail transit, as an excellent way to get people out of their cars, but I want to make sure we have a plan to pay for it, before going ahead.

Q4. No bridge at Petrie Island. Period

Q5. The east end is growing with great speed. I want to support the local economy without over stretching our means to effectively deliver city services. Transportation and transit are key priorities, as well as making sure the east end and rural residents do not get left out.

Rob JELLET

Q1. Ambulance, fire, police and health and safety are all areas that cannot sustain funding cuts. Likewise much of the City's infrastructure repair and replacement plans must continue. However, communications, libraries, some festival programming, and some wish list capital projects, like a footbridge over the canal, should be cut, or delayed until we can afford them.

Q2. When City spending is under control, when optional operating and capital funds have been reduced or cut, when all other avenues of possible funding have been exhausted and when a majority of ward residents support an increase.

Q3. The widening of Innes road, the connection from the Blackburn bypass to Walkley Rd., increased public transit and no bridge to be built east of the split until Highway 174 is up to speed.

Q4. When hell freezes over.

Q5. Voting for a tax freeze.

Garry LOWE

Q1. When ever Governments face a crisis its always the same. What services/programs/staff do we cut, usually hiring a high priced consultant to tell them. The approach of trying to eliminate government waste and institute accountability is never investigated. Take the credit card scandal. Our mayor tries to come off like a hero and cancels the program. Procedures and guidelines were in place on what qualified as a credit card purchase, just that they weren't followed. More than likely we had left taking place with no punishment. The City spent over \$70 million on consultants. Most recently a report from former Auditor General Denis Desautels to tell they City we need an independent auditor, cost \$50K. Now we've hired consultants to find the successful candidate, cost \$39K. We need to install whistle-blower protection for City staff, that way a venue exists for staff to voice concerns and staff taxpayers money. I would take a very different approach speaking with the men and women in each core service to find ways to save money. We need a different approach from the past and that's what I'm offering.

Q2. We are asking city council to cut just over 10% of their budget. Something you and I would easily be able to do with our personal budget, along with a private company. Under no circumstances do I support a tax increase.

Q3. First thing I would look into is some of the rural routes. I support the park & rides in many of our rural communities, but have issues with buses running down side roads empty. If we look at limiting or eliminating some of those buses, we could offer riders more runs during the day to the park & rides. I would like to see the plan for light rail accelerated. Hopefully with the promise of provincial and federal gas tax help, we will be able to do so.

Q4. I would certainly need to see all the data before making a decision. We need to ensure that all alternative locations have been researched along with environmental assessments. At some point however, a decision needs to be made to take pressure off Rideau St and King Edward. Transport trucks need another route to Quebec. If it is determined that Petrie Island would be the most cost effective solution then I would support the bridge. We are not going to please everyone all the time.

Q5. It would be to consult my constituents on the results of the City Wide Service Review. To hold the line on taxes I would be recommend certain cuts along with ideas on controlling waste.

David WHISSELL

No submission from candidate.

School Boards

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Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario Zone 6

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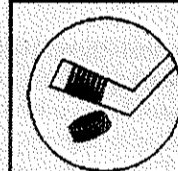
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Des CURLEY



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Fallingbrook Outdoor Rinks

Rink Attendants:

- Fallingbrook
- Maple Ridge
- Jeanne Sauve

*Clean and flood ice surfaces
Monitor rink change room
\$750/hr*

- Minimum 16 years old
- Mature
- Reliable, hard-working
- Can operate a snowblower

Reply by e-mail to: rinks@fallingbrook.com

Committee

David Villeneuve (Chairman)

George Blake
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Jocelyn Holmes
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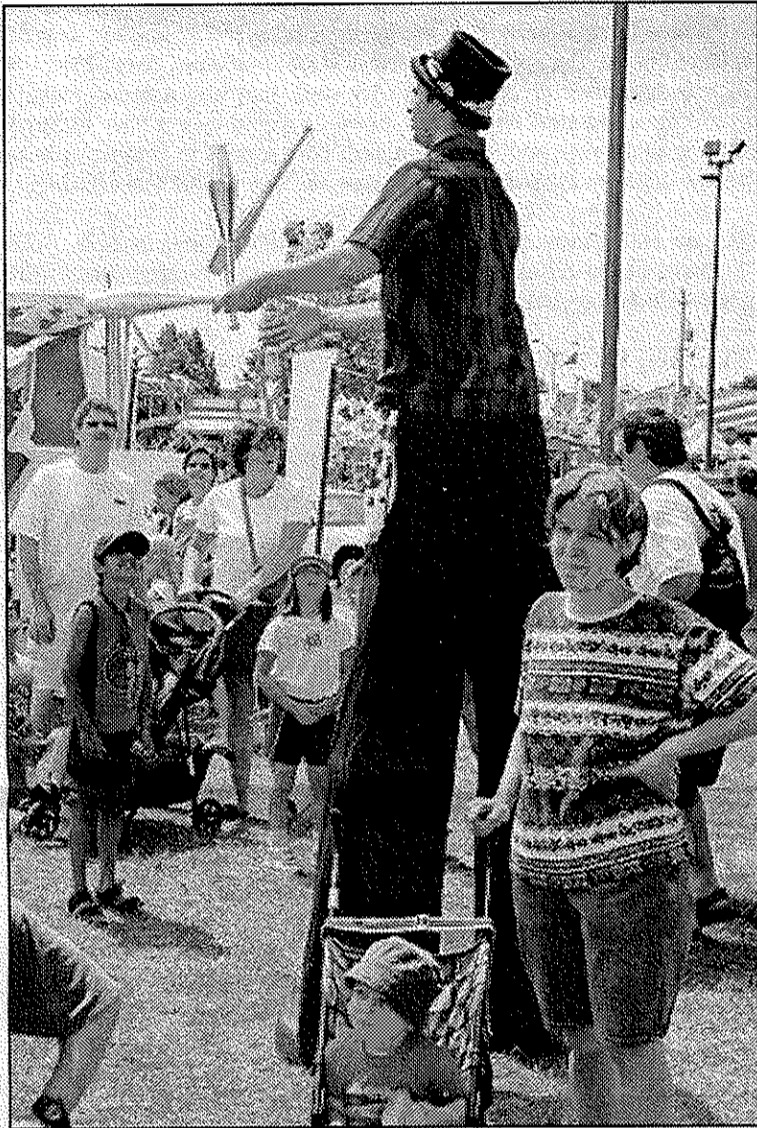


Debbie Parent
Paul Pelletier
Don Pottier
Zybina Richards
Brenda Spearman
Eric Tousignant



Walking funny is routine at the Kids' Olympics.
Photo by David Villeneuve

Standing tall, the Cowguys entertain the crowd.
(Photo by David Villeneuve)



Fallingbrook Canada Day 2003



Lots of laughs on the Homeniuk amusement rides.
(Photo by David Villeneuve)

No Celebration in 2004

The Fallingbrook Community Association has confirmed that there will be no Canada Day celebration at the Ray Friel Centre in 2004. With construction of the new arenas expected to be in full swing next summer, it will not be possible to safely accommodate our annual Fallingbrook celebration. The FCA is willing to advise other community groups who may be interested in hosting a Canada Day celebration at another location. Comments may be sent to president@fallingbrook.com.

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