

ELECTION 2017 – CANDIDATE PROFILES

The Village of Kitscoty accepted eight (8) nomination papers on September 18th, 2017. These eight candidates are vying for five (5) Council positions. At the suggestion of one of the candidates we are providing profiles so you can learn about each of the candidates in advance of voting on Election Day, **Monday, October 16th, 2017.**

Here are the questions we asked the candidates to answer:	
1. How long have you lived in Kitscoty (and where did you relocate from)?	2. Why did you choose to live in Kitscoty?
3. Provide personal details: family, occupation, etc.	4. What are your interests, hobbies, etc.?
5. Are you currently involved in any aspect of the community? If so, in what capacity?	6. What do you think makes Kitscoty a great community?
7. What challenges do you see for our community?	8. What is your future vision for Kitscoty?
9. Why did you choose to run for Village Council?	10. What skills / experience do you have that you will bring to Council?

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1. My family and I moved to Kitscoty 6 years ago from Lloydminster. I am originally from a family farm near Mervin, SK and my wife was born and raised on a farm near Kitscoty.
2. We chose to live in Kitscoty because the Village has protective services, a health unit, K- 12 schooling and all the amenities a family needs. It also provides our children with the same small town opportunities and benefits my wife and I enjoyed growing up.
3. I married Angie Headon almost 11 years ago right here in Kitscoty, together we have 3 children – Shelby (6), Brock (4) and Lexie (2). I am employed in the oil industry owning and operating 2 businesses for the last 12 years specializing in flushby and pressure trucks.
4. My interests are sports, diesel trucks and Ford Mustangs! I enjoy my summers at Turtle Lake as well as snowmobiling and playing hockey for the Kitscoty Kamels in the winter!
5. I am not currently involved in any coaching or boards in Kitscoty but with a son getting ready to start hockey I'm sure an opportunity will present itself and I hope to be a part of town council this coming month!
6. Kitscoty is a great community for many reasons: the



friendly people, and the safe small town atmosphere. Children can start 3 year old playschool and continue right through to high school graduation. There are numerous sports and activities available as well as different community events for families throughout the year.

7. One of the biggest challenges we face is to keep our hard earned dollars in our community by supporting local businesses and entrepreneurs, as well as being a viable option for businesses looking to start-up or possibly relocate and/or expand. We also need to be able to entice our young adults to stay in Kitscoty or return to Kitscoty after post-secondary education.
8. My personal vision for Kitscoty is to expand the great amenities we already enjoy, an increased commercial presence within the Village and maintain the affordable costs of living in the community.
9. I chose to run for Council to be a part of the continued and growing success of the community and also bring some new ideas and input to the Village from a young family's perspective.
10. The skills and experience I will bring to Council are those of an entrepreneur, the past couple of years the oil industry has not been the easiest on business owners and I have learned to "do more with less".