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My goals during my 4 year term as a councillor for the Town of Onoway are as follows;

- I would like to improve the internet services we receive in our town.
- We need to revitalize our downtown core and become a welcoming community, while getting our Beautification Committee back on board.
- I would love to show off the skills of our artistic students in Onoway. I think it would be amazing to get students from the High School involved in the community Beautification. As well as involved in other events and activities to showcase their skills, and work experience opportunities within the community.
- It would be fantastic if we can have more outdoor activities for our children and community members to enjoy. Full size skateparks, tennis courts, basketball courts, BMX parks, etc. Agricultural activities like rodeos would be amazing to bring back into the community as well. Let's build a better community for all to enjoy.
- Development of new businesses and new homes to help our community grow.

These are some huge goals in a short period of time but I think it is very important to start working towards achieving a welcoming and engaging community that we can be proud of.

These are a list of concerns brought to my attention from town residents;

- Utilities are too high.
- Taxes are too high.
- Job positions should be up for tender to the public and easily accessible for residents to apply. It should be clearly posted on the website and not as a link, as well as be posted on the Town of Onoway Facebook page.
- Employees are not from the Town of Onoway.
- Residents are concerned that our Public Works Manager has too many jobs as he is Assistant CAO, and DEM as well. They've heard he works for Wild and is a business owner himself. They are concerned that one person can't accurately run that many jobs and that operating that many will cause issues to not be resolved and insufficient work being done for the Town of Onoway.
- Residents are concerned that specifically staff from Wild Willow are using our office and chambers to potentially conduct business.
- Residents are also concerned that there are many meetings being held in the Town Council Chambers, it made them question why we would be having so many council meetings, or if it is not council in there why is there so many businesses conducting meetings in our office and chambers.
- The severe lack of professionalism and disrespect from both the Town Office and Public Works staff. Residents are discouraged from calling for fear of "mistreatment and bullying."
- Residents feel as if their concerns to Town are "falling on deaf ears."

- Residents would like to be able to put in anonymous complaints because they do not appreciate being called and interrogated, feeling intimidated into changing their opinion and concern.
- There were many complaints on the general poor maintenance of roads. Pipes sticking out of the ground.
- Masks not being worn in the Town trucks by the Public Works employees.
- Several complaints on the Healthcare workers parking in front of businesses.

There was so many concerns that it concerns me, as it should concern you too. This list is to just name a few.

Thank you
Deputy Mayor
L Johnson