

Campaign Message – Eastern Director

Councillor Terry Fleming:

Good day, my name is Terry Fleming with the Town of Fortune and I am running for Eastern Director.

I am originally from Allen's Island and just recently relocated to Fortune in late 2018 and joined Fortune Town council in Feb. 2020.

I have been happily married for 30 years (Yvonne) with 2 children (Lori and Trevor) and welcomed our first grandchild (Sophia) in Dec 2020.

I am a designated Professional Accountant (Bachelor of Commerce and Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) with over 30 years of progressive experience at the middle to senior management level with exposure to all areas of accounting/finance.

I consider myself to be a very versatile individual, having worked on a variety of job postings, in various locations with varying degrees of autonomy. I consider myself to be a positive, goal oriented team player with attention to detail who operates with a high degree of integrity and dedication.

While I have not had much time working in municipal government, I have had the privilege of having worked on some of the larger projects and some of the larger companies over the past 30 years (Exxon Mobil – Hibernia/Hebron Projects; Suncor – Terra Nova Project; Husky Energy – White Rose Project; Vale – Long Harbour Nickel Project; I am currently working as Controller at the Fluorspar Mine in St. Lawrence.

I feel the experience I have gained working on some of these world class projects and world class companies will prove invaluable in the role of Eastern Director.

Wherever I have worked and lived, I have always tried to get involved in the community and give of my Time, Talent and Treasure. While living in CBS, I was a member of either the Parish Council or Finance Committee for over 20 years and was part of a Committee that was successful in negotiations in selling a joint parcel of land that netted our Parish close to \$750,000.

Besides working full time, I have always had an entrepreneurial spirit and operated a business for over 10 years in CBS (that still exists today) and in June 2019, I purchased a long standing business in the Town of Fortune that provides General Accounting and Tax Services to all of the Burin Peninsula.

Besides providing a service to the local area and to our clients that cover the entire Burin Peninsula, I am also providing meaningful employment to 6 employees.

I feel this gives me an appreciation for the struggles that any small business encounters, particularly in rural Newfoundland but also feels it gives me an appreciation for small businesses being the lifeline for meaningful employment in rural Newfoundland.

I have always been goal-oriented and realize the hard work required to reach your goals, whether that is completing your education, advancing your career or running a marathon.

I have always been fairly active physically but about 10 years ago, took up running with the ultimate goal of running a marathon and in 2015, I ran and completed the Chicago Marathon.

I feel I have a lot of contribute in the role of Eastern Director and look forward to meeting and working with MNL.