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Nick Ward Elected to Village of Cumberland Council in By-Election

Cumberland, BC – The Village of Cumberland officially welcomed Nick Ward as a member of Village Council, at a special meeting held at Council Chamber, Monday evening after his recent by-election victory. Councillor Ward officially made his oath of office and was welcomed by a full Council Chamber representing family, residents, staff and other Council members. Light refreshments were served, prior to the first of three Committee of the Whole meetings on 2025 budget deliberations.

The by-election to elect one candidate to the office of Councillor was required to be held under the Local Government Act due to the resignation of Jesse Ketler on June 30, 2024, after serving the community on Council for ten years. A general voting day took place on September 21, 2024, with advance voting days on September 11 and 18, 2024 with 732 ballots cast of an estimated 3480 voters, indicating a 21% turnout. Councillor Ward received 535 total votes.

“I would like to welcome Councillor Ward to Council and congratulate him on his recent by-election victory. I would also like to congratulate all the candidates on their efforts and appreciate their continued service to our community. A healthy electoral race is good for our democracy. Finally, I would like to acknowledge and thank Jesse Ketler for her service. We look forward to working with Councillor Ward in delivering the goals and objectives of our strategic plan,” says Mayor Vickey Brown.

Nick and his family have lived in Cumberland for 15 years, during which time, Nick has been a local business owner and employer. Nick volunteered on the Village’s Advisory Planning Commission, Economic Development Steering Committee, and the Official Community Plan Local Citizens Advisory Group, as well as with community groups.

The next local general elections will be held across B.C. in October 2026.



From Left to Right; Councillors Sean Sullivan, Neil Borecky, Nick Ward, Troy Therrien, and Mayor Vickey Brown.

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