

Buscema jumps into the Ward 2 foray

By Mark Pavilons

A community minded resident has entered the race in Ward 2.

Joseph Buscema is running for a council seat because he's been a voice for some time now, helping his neighbours in many ways. They prompted him to run for council, and he accepted the challenge.

Buscema said he regularly chats with other residents and shares ideas on a community website. He often discusses issues with Mayor Steve Pellegrini and Chris Fasciano, director of parks and recreation.

“Sometimes they'll give me questions for Steve before meeting with him, and I'll ask them on their behalf. I recently did a survey on the new community park at Highway 27 and Parkheights Trail, and passed along the results to Chris at Parks & Recreation,” said. Sometimes, he'll post information online from the Township, to alert the community as to the latest news on the park, traffic lights, etc.

Ward 2 is growing quickly and his major concern is whether we have the infrastructure to meet this growth.

“Residents can expect very straight-forward answers from me, because I am a very straight-forward person,” he said. “I'm not just going to talk a lot and say nothing, like most politicians.”

At 55, Buscema said he brings wisdom to the table, but “I'm still young enough to have the energy that's needed to do the job.

“I like to walk around the community in the evenings and talk to people, to see what concerns or ideas they may have.”

Having the opportunity to make a difference in the community is what excites Buscema about politics.

He and his family moved to King Township three years ago from Vaughan. Buscema has been married for 31 years and has three children – Chantel (28), Joseph Jr. (24) and Julian (15). Chantel helps manage his campaign.

They have a family business called All Personnel Services Inc., which supplies personnel to various industries across southern Ontario.

Buscema has set up a campaign office at 7 Old King Road in Nobleton, the former Postmaster's house.

You can find out more by visiting www.votejoeward2.com. You can contact him at joe4councillor@yahoo.ca or call 416-802-3143.