

COUNCILLOR'S CORNER



With Blackfalds' outstanding 80.48% population boom in the past 10 years (5,610 residents in 2009, compared to 10,125 in 2018), I love hearing stories of what brought people to our community. As such, I thought I would share mine with you today!

The name Marina means Goddess of the Sea - so what convinced this water-loving woman to leave the Central Okanagan behind for Central Alberta? Adventure!

While I certainly miss being surrounded by deep, quality lakes - my husband Thomas and I thought it would be fun to experience life elsewhere for a while. Once we visited Central AB on a trip in the summer of 2011, we knew this was it!

We visited extended family in Lacombe and Red Deer, toured around Drumheller, and decided we would make the leap. It must've been the right decision, as Thomas was offered an apprenticeship at a local business later that summer, and we quickly gathered up and moved.

Albertans are known for their can-do attitude and not being afraid of hard work - and I really resonate with that. Growing up on a farm and working in our family restaurant, I was taught from a young age to always do your best, work hard and be kind. I appreciate efficiencies and a bit of risk, and in this way, Blackfalds continues to be a perfect fit.

Blackfalds' progressive attitude and forward-thinking council (over the past decade) have paved the way for the growth we have experienced, and what is to come. We are a thriving community where ideas are being turned into reality and both balance and quality of life are possible. We are perfectly poised and ready for the 2020's! We have greatly enjoyed our lives as Blackfaldians so far and are excited about the future.

I would love to hear your "Moving to Blackfalds" Story! Please reach out and share it with me; you can find me on social media or (even better) in-person around town!

Marina Appel

Town Councillor



August 2019

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Regular Meetings

August 13 | 7:00 p.m.

August 27 | 7:00 p.m.

Standing Committee

September 15 | 7:00 p.m.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Regular Council meetings (RCC) are held on the second and fourth Tuesday every month.

Standing Committee meetings (SCC) are held the third Monday each month.

*All meetings are held in Council Chambers
Civic & Culture Centre
5018 Waghorn St.*



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