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City of Revelstoke
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Cc: Revelstoke Current (Email)
Revelstoke Times Review (Email)

RE: Open letter to Mayor and Council

Dear Mayor and Council,

The Board and Staff of Community Futures Revelstoke are deeply concerned about the recent actions taken by the City toward one of its most respected and hard-working employees. The suspension of Alan Mason from his duties as Director of Economic Development was at best, inappropriate. We are to understand that Mr. Mason has since been re-instated, however the damage done to his reputation has not been addressed.

Community Futures expects the City to provide a full and very public apology to Mr. Mason and his family. We also urge council to investigate ALL of the circumstance of Mr. Mason's suspension and take action against those responsible.

Further, as a partner with the City in the delivery of business and economic development services in Revelstoke and Electoral Area B of the Columbia Shuswap Regional district, Community Futures is taken aback by the complete lack of respect shown by the City toward its partners including, but not limited to Community Futures, the Revelstoke Chamber of Commerce and the Columbia Shuswap Regional District, in taking this action. Quite frankly, the delivery of business and economic development services by the Business Information Centre has been completely disrupted.

Understanding that there are personnel issues that will prevent the City from fully disclosing the full circumstances, Community Futures expects the City to inform the taxpayers of Revelstoke of any explanations or actions taken by the City to its fullest ability following the special meeting of City Council scheduled for the afternoon of November 4th.

Should you have any questions, please contact Community Futures General Manager, Kevin Dorrius.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Cummings", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Michael Cummings
Chair, Community Futures Revelstoke