

## **What's the big deal with mayor as chair of committee?**

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To the editor:

It's a wonder we have such a beautiful community, considering the nit-picking our volunteers have to live through. Conflict of interest issues regarding the current chair? What conflict?

Mayor Jim Abernethy is, according to Gord Robinson, the one most capable of making connections with business leaders in town. Time's a'wastin. Are we oblivious to the climate change evident in every aspect of our lives?

Positions for the board of the Green Community Advisory Committee were published and I wonder how many actually applied. As a long-time volunteer I can say unequivocally that countless hours and reams of energy are consumed with this effort.

Most volunteers do so without an agenda for personal gain. We maintain a head of steam by being appreciated, quoted accurately and treated with respect. We desperately need a Green Community Strategy. Committee members who value their time could lose interest if squabbling continues.

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