

East Bethel Candidate Profile



Candidate Name: Robert H. DeRoche, Jr.

Office Sought: Mayor

Bio:

66 yo

resident for 37 years +

Computer sciences, finance (business and personal), numerous military schools, University of Minnesota, National college of business.

retired disabled veteran ,Honorable Discharge. two meritorious unit citations

East Bethel roads commission, Anoka county corrections commission, ATV, snowmobile, firearms safety, classes to youth for MN DNR. Working with kids

I am running for Mayor again for a couple of reasons. First I would like the opportunity to finish what was started as it relates to developing the highway 65 corridor project And for the record, it has been going around for a couple of campaigns that I voted for the sewer water project. When in fact 19 Feb 2011, , I voted against it. Mayor Voss voted for it.. I couldn't see how we should strap the residents with the cost. I feel there is no transparency in the city. I feel it was eliminated because of people voicing their concerns in a public forum. It was a way for the public to state their concerns and opinions. No matter what, residents should never feel intimidated by council or the commissions.. enough of trying to be another big city. People moved to East Bethel to get away from big cities.

The budget and city tax levy play a major role. A priority to me on council was keeping the taxes and levies as low as possible while still providing top shelf community service, police protection, fire service and public works to the residents of East Bethel . During my time as Mayor we initiated talks Met council. At that time, saving 2-3 million. We must continue to be fiscally responsible and prudent on spending. We need to address needs before wants. The city council should be directing staff the direction of the city as per what the residents want to do. Not their own personal agenda. Through a well thought out comprehensive plan, and with input from the residents ,develop in the 65 corridor and still keep East Bethel rural and with the beauty and up north feel we live here for.

Last but certainly not least is the RCI intersection. What a catastrophe. And at the cost of human life. Something needs to be done to minimize any more loss of life.....

Be informed voters.....read up on candidates!!! Especially now. Look at the commissions in which they served. See what their agendas are. Read how they voted on a lot of ordinances. and fair. You need to Separate the rhetoric from fact. it's true you can vote people out next time, the devastation and decisions can already have caused problems. I look forward to serving you the residents on the East Bethel city council as your mayor.

Residents this is our city!!!

