

Vote

Stuart Juzda

for Victoria Beach Councillor



ABOUT ME:

As a cottager of over 50 years and a permanent resident since 2009, I understand the concerns of both seasonal and year-round residents. I want to see us thrive as a community in all four seasons, as a resort municipality and as a rural one.

I'm a retired college professor, and have served as the Council-appointed representative to the Board of the Allard Library. I have regularly advocated for the community as a delegation to Council on issues such as beach preservation and responsible use of public funds.

MY PLATFORM:

- ☑ Improve the accountability, transparency, and honesty of Council. No more violations of the Municipal Act. No more collusion with special interest groups.
- ☑ Protect the natural environment that is the living heart of our municipality.
- ☑ Preserve public land for the public, ending the backdoor privatisation of our banks and beaches by limiting the construction of revetments, stairs, and decks. Development of public land must be in the public interest.
- ☑ Ensure decisions with an environmental impact are informed by scientific expertise and evidence, which is clearly communicated to the public.
- ☑ Put public and community interests first, not special interests.

- ☑ Enforce our bylaws equally, without fear or favour. The same rules must apply to everyone.
- ☑ Support our protection services, balancing community safety with fiscal responsibility.
- ☑ Champion the vital institutions that bring us together: the Social Scene, Beaches Community Club, and Victoria Beach Club.
- ☑ Reduce the speed limit to 70 kph between David Road and Saffie Road from the September long weekend to the October long weekend, to improve safety.
- ☑ Maintain our heritage paths, ensuring they continue to immerse us in our natural environment.
- ☑ End the sham of the "for show only" tendering process and replace with genuine and fair procedures to ensure we get value for money.

Vote for a return to our values, accountability, and a public representative who will truly represent the public.

WHY I'M RUNNING :

I love Victoria Beach, its unique character and traditions, and the natural environment that sustains it. Unfortunately, those things have come under threat, and the next Council must reverse that.

In the past, our community came together to oppose the construction of rock revetments on our public beaches. This stance was supported by a local geomorphological review conducted by Baird Coastal Engineering, which found that revetments would lead to the disappearance of our beaches. Yet since 2023, Council has allowed a series of revetments to be built on many of our public beaches, threatening their future. Council ignored the unanimous opposition of a dozen delegations and violated the Municipal Act by secretly meeting with the lakefront owners behind the project and allowing them to proceed. To date, Council has spent \$150,000 of taxpayer money to support this destruction of our natural beaches.

Council has also openly refused to enforce bylaws designed to protect our public land from unauthorised private construction. Instead, they fast-tracked a process to allow lakefront owners to build stairs and decks on our fragile sandbanks. This is unacceptable. This is a beach community, and our children and grandchildren deserve the same immaculate beaches we've enjoyed for generations.

In the past years, we've also seen our taxes rise by an unjustified 9.8% due to irresponsible spending; an abandonment of our tendering process to favour certain contractors; and irresponsible deforestation. Our voices are ignored, natural assets are being sacrificed, we're not getting value for money, and the laws aren't being applied equally anymore.

It's time for a return to our values. This is why the three pillars of my campaign are:

- **Accountability**
- **Equality**
- **Environmental protections**

HOW TO VOTE:

Advance voting is July 16, from 8 am to 8 pm, at the RM office in Winnipeg and July 18, 8 am to 8 pm, at the East Beaches Social Scene. Regular Voting is July 24, from 8 am to 8pm at the Beaches Community Centre and at the RM Office in Winnipeg. You can also request a mail-in ballot. Voting is open to residents and to non-resident property owners, subject to some restrictions. Further details can be found on the RMVB website.

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A Councillor for all seasons

I am running as an independent candidate and I am not soliciting or accepting any funds. I will not be putting up plastic signs that will end up in a landfill.

We're a diverse community that deserves diverse representation. In addition to me, consider supporting Steve Axworthy and Angel Kraft as independent voices on Council.

If you would like to discuss my platform or any of your own concerns, feel free to contact me at 204-756-2228 or drop by 426 8th Ave.

