

Skykomish Senate



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2007 - 2008 *a winter we'll remember*

it seemed like an early fall

Leaves turning colour in August was a premonition of things to come.

Winter 2007-2008 got an early grip and hasn't let go since.

Its awesome beauty, strength, magnitude and silence will be remembered.



Magic for children, snowboarders and skiers, it's been a strain on older folks and structures.

We'll hope it isn't remembered later for severe flooding too.

It certainly couldn't have been a worse time for Skykomish town government to be so confused and ill prepared regarding snow ploughing and removal.

While we haven't seen this much snow since the late 1950's, hard winters are no stranger to Sky.

History clearly tells us we should expect heavy snows at anytime.



a big mistake!

Town Council sold our single axle 'International' snow plough truck for a pittance, replacing it with 2 new trucks that cost a fortune, are under spec and inappropriate for the job.

The money wasted on the wrong equipment tells only part of the story. Council has now condemned us to throwing good money after bad every year as more labour hours, overtime pay, expensive outside vendors, rental equipment and repairs will be required to overcome their latest faux pa.

The Town could have purchased a large, surplus front loader, twin screw plough truck and pickup with service body for the same money they wasted on this boondoggle.



This equipment, along with our present backhoe and the 'International' plough would have given the Town a balanced maintenance capability for years to come.

Instead, taxpayers must endure slow, inefficient, ineffective and expensive snow removal so incompetence, sloth, hubris and corruption can continue festering over at Town Hall.

august 7th, 2007 - **GD2**

a day that shall live in financial infamy

When it rains, it pours. Town Council couldn't be squandering our money at a worse time.

Property and sales tax revenues, the lifeblood of municipal government funding, are taking a big hit as the worst financial and economic crisis in our nation's history continues to unfold. We expect this situation to further deteriorate, actually accelerating in 2008.



Property taxes are collected in arrears, so it will be a couple of quarters before those asleep at town hall figure this one out.

Sky voters have elected a succession of lazy, ignorant Council members who have tanked our economy, drained financial reserves, and shut citizens out.

The Party is about over. The 2nd Great Depression (GD2) has begun. Sky should have filled its granaries during the bountiful years, but instead insisted upon driving business away and spending like drunken sailors.

It'll soon be time to pay the piper.



vision for skykomish

Town Council is setting plans, determining what your town will look and be like in 2010.



A 'Vision for Skykomish' document prepared by the University of Washington, Berryman and Henigar and many of your neighbours is available for your review. Keep in mind, this document cost thousands of dollars to produce.

From a technical perspective it's a perfect example of how unsophisticated small town bumpkins get bamboozled by big city slickers.

The 46 page document is nothing more than a cheap copy and paste rehash of earlier 'visions' they've had for other towns.

The graphics look as if Bellevue street lights and signs were pasted to our small town. I feel sorry for the trees that died to publish this document.

Council plans on turning north Sky into an 'interpretive centre' with public restrooms so campers, kayakers, rafters, bums, vagrants and sex offenders can spruce up before they interpret what Sky was like before Council killed it.

Our school's children were called upon (how inclusive) to forge the Town's economic development plan.

The Skykomish Hotel's role will be as a grocery and fruit stand so children won't have to cross the big, bad, dangerous 5th Street bridge on their way to the Deli or Chevron.

Think I'm chiding? Read this 8th grade level document and then decide.

It's time to join other concerned neighbours in helping to rid Sky of this pestilence

another vision for sky

Fast forward a few years: The Cascadia, Sky River Inn and Post remain shuttered... empty vestiges of days gone by, sitting like ghosts.

The school is closed. Property owners ran out of money to keep it on life support. No big deal... Its faculty and staff of 55 served only two students who are now being chauffer driven to Goldbar.

Those new BNSF streets are once again leaking diesel up through the cracks each winter when the heavy rains come, just as they used to.



Someone said they were going to call the railroad to fix the containment dike, but with town workers laid off, even this has become a challenge.

The Skykomish Hotel is the only remaining beacon. It sits solidly, majestically, a sight to behold... as beautiful as the day she was built. It just seems so very small sitting there on a table at Town Hall.

The actual building was of course razed as Council never did get around to letting owners restore it. Old man Benz took a write-off and has a park there now. No dogs allowed.

Mayor Mackner and sidekick council-member Lorna Goebel are pushing up daisies, but their legacy of destruction lives on. Like them... Sky is dead.

Rocky Says... Welcome!

oh dear... what to do?

Self government isn't easy, but I guarantee that no matter what book, story or account one reads, it was never the founding fathers' intent that Americans abuse the privilege of self government as we do here in Sky.

solutions?

Council handed our town's future over to large outside corporate and government interests. This was easier than getting off their butts, learning what's going on and taking the steps necessary to represent us and fulfill their responsibilities.

When the opposition even offered to fund a Trojan Horse within our camp, Council couldn't wait. The opaque, obtuse Mr. Stanovsky has since taken over the reigns of Town government, under the mayor's direction of course.

It's up to us

Many individuals are concerned and would like to help, but don't live in Sky town limits. We must rely upon our own small number of eligible voters to successfully govern this town. It's not working.

serpents must be driven into the sea

Present Council is not composed of good neighbours trying their best. This lazy, vicious bunch with its bunker mentality has cut off all communications to constituents not in the mayor's 'inner circle'.



Our Sky government of the people, by the people and for the people has been hijacked by a foreign and un-American political doctrine: Communism.

Go to a Sky Town Council meeting and discover what life was like in Soviet Russia:

...decisions are made before you ever walk in the door and, if you know what's good for you, you'll keep your mouth shut and eyes closed.

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See you later alligator

