

To the person or persons who put the following letter in the city hall drop box some time ago -namely last year- I must offer my sincere apologies for not getting this to the Bulletin then. Your letter got buried under my 'stuff' on my desk, and if any of you have seen my desk you will know what I'm talking about. One of my resolutions this year was to clean my desk, that's why I found your letter! Better late than never I always say.

Lori Paxton, City Recorder

This letter is to thank Ron Ormond for his many years of selfless dedication to the town of Butte Falls. He has been part of many good things that have happened to and for the town. Back in the 70's he was part of the sewer project. He also got funds to build the concrete water tank. Recently he has been Mayor for 8 years. During that time he has spent many hours on the water bottling plant putting into place that Butte Falls receives revenue from this business. He worked on grants and monies for the fire department. He worked closely with the new updates to the sewer plant. He is always there when the work is being done no matter how big or small the project. He got a grant to do needed repairs and update the community hall. He also helps write grants and supports ways to involve the town, the school and community as a whole. He works the budget every year making sure there is money to run the town on. He kept up requirements to be an Oregon resident so he could fulfill role of mayor. All of this is a thankless job where many talked behind his back and complained about this or that. He may have rubbed some of you the wrong way, you didn't get what you wanted or thought you deserved. You cannot please everyone in a job like that. But he was fair and knowledgeable and took time to research laws and the right way to do things. He makes sure the town charter is legal and up to date. He always looked out for the best interest of the Town of Butte Falls. If we all had the town's best interest at heart and not our own agendas or pocket books then this would be a better place. We all need to work together to pick up this logging town and make it a place people want to come and visit, live or even start a business.

There have been many mayors before him, and if the town can stand up to the economic downturn and uncertainty in the world today and stay a "town" there will be more mayors to follow. But in my (and others) opinion he is/was the best mayor this town has EVER had. His knowledge of the "big picture" and money management skills and dedication will be missed. Many wish he would run again and many do not. For those who wanted him to stay you know what I am talking about and understand what he has done for this town. For those who do not, where is/was your name on the ballot for November? I only see one willing to give it a shot. Or is it too much work to be a Mayor?

Thank you again, Ron, for your many years of dedication to the town and people of Butte Falls.

