

## Ward 4 council candidate Sabine Dietz's opening statement

My name is Sabine Dietz, I am running in Ward 4, which is the area out Midgic, Mount View, Pond Shore and all the way out Rte. 940. I've been on council for a year and a half now.

Now when I was elected last year, I was clearly running on climate change making this community be more aware of climate change and incorporating climate change into all the decisions that council would make. I soon realized that councillors cannot be a one issue person.

Councillors have to really be active on all fronts, whether it be health care or housing, even though some of those or many of those issues are actually not in a jurisdiction of a municipal council. But the role of advocacy of councils versus the provincial government are really clear and are really important.

And so health care is one of them. The municipality, the local government council has been involved in that issue, even though it's not a jurisdiction of municipalities.

I look forward to hopefully getting re-elected on the council. I know this is going to be a lot of work. And we need to come together as a community. This will not be easy. We're a large area and we need to listen to everybody across the future municipality of Tanramar. This will be difficult given the many different issues that are already on the table. There will be more.

We will need to advocate both towards the provincial government as well as make our stand with the Regional Service Commission, who will impose many more mandates on us than we currently have. This will be a lot of advocacy that's required of councillors, not just a job on the side of our desks.