

## STATEMENT

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April 25th, 2018

### **Town of Bruderheim Mayor Karl Hauch statement on passing of Councillor Garry Bottorff**

"It is with great sadness that we learned Councillor Garry Bottorff passed away early yesterday morning. Our thoughts are with his wife Sue, and family. Garry was a friend to all those who met him and a passionate leader in the community. The Town of Bruderheim extends our condolences and prayers to them during this difficult time.

A condolence book will be set up at the Town Office for residents to pay their respects and remember our friend and colleague. As well, flags at all Town of Bruderheim facilities will be lowered to half-mast in honour of Garry Bottorff's life.

Councillor Bottorff was serving his first term on Council, working tirelessly to represent our community during his first year. His fresh perspective, positive attitude and previous knowledge of infrastructure contributed to a progressive-thinking Council.

He made many contributions to the Town of Bruderheim as a resident, volunteer and Councillor. He was an avid gardener and enjoyed sharing his passion for gardening and landscaping with his wife Sue, the residents of the Town of Bruderheim and the National Communities in Bloom Judges when they toured our community. Garry and his wife Sue were awarded the Communities in Bloom/ Scotts Miracle-Gro Best Garden Selection Award for all three years and photographs of their yard was posted on the Scotts Miracle-Gro website.

Councillor Bottorff represented Council and his constituents through participation on committees including: Bruderheim Municipal Library Board, Emergency Management Committee, Alberta HUB, and the Northern Lights Library System Board.

Funeral arrangements have been made by the family. The service will be at the Bruderheim Community Church, April 28th at 1:00pm, light refreshments to follow. At this time, I ask that the privacy of the Bottorff family be respected.

I respected his passion and commitment to his Town and constituents. Our friend and colleague will be greatly missed."