

Mayor Leslie Baird

Leslie Baird was first nominated and elected as Councilor of the Village of Cumberland in 1990 and has run successfully in each following election. In December 2011 and again in 2014 Leslie was acclaimed mayor of Cumberland.

Leslie was born in Comox and raised in Cumberland. She began her working career when her youngest son started school full time and she received her certificate as a long-term care aid. Leslie worked for Comox Valley Home Support for eighteen years. During that time, Leslie was the shop steward and represented the union on the provincial negotiating team.

Leslie has been an active member of the Cumberland Empire Events Society for 22 years where she now helps coordinate the May Queen luncheon and assists with February's heritage fair and lantern festival. More recently, Leslie has become an active member of the Rotary Club of Cumberland Centennial and a supporter of its literacy program. Leslie is also a long serving member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #28.

With her husband John, Leslie raised two sons in Cumberland, now grown and both living in Grande Prairie, Alberta with their families. John worked at the Campbell River pulp and paper mill for forty-two years, and was a member of the Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department for twenty five years, the last eight years as chief. Leslie and John are now both retired.

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