



**Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
City of Port Alberni**



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The Election Officers for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (Russell Dyson) and the City of Port Alberni (Davina Hartwell) are jointly hosting a workshop for potential candidates in the upcoming local government election at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday September 11, 2014 in the Dogwood Room at Echo Centre.

The purpose of the workshop will be to share some of the basic legal requirements in conducting a campaign and to have past politicians share their perspective on the opportunities and demands of holding office. The highlight will be to hear the experiences of former politicians:

- Gary Swann former Regional District Electoral Area Director of Cherry Creek and Regional District Chair
- Kenn Whiteman former City of Port Alberni Councillor
- Ken McRae former City of Port Alberni Councillor, Mayor and Regional Director

These three between them provide a wealth of local government knowledge and experience.

The workshop is open to anyone interested to find out more about the local election process and the responsibility and opportunity of participating in local government. No pre-registration required.

For further information please contact: Davina Hartwell, Chief Election Officer of the City of Port Alberni (250) 720-2810 or Russell Dyson, Deputy Chief Election Officer of the Alberni-Clayoquot-Regional District (250) 720-2705.