Comments on Q 4 ("I believe the MM Municipal Council and MM residents should work together to make MM a better place to live.")

There were thirty (30) comments in total in reference to Q 4 above.

1. Duh! But we all know THAT will never happen beyond the platitudes of politicians.
2. "If it isn't broken don't fix it" - I think MM is just great as it is !
3. It will only happen as a team- equally informed individuals seldom disagree
4. 'nough said.....
5. to be determined.
6. What else? Dictatorship?
7. I hope the new smaller council will communicate to the population on a regular basis.
8. inform the residents beforehand a contract will be issued for major/ important public projects.
9. From articles in [The Millstone], I think Council and residents are doing a good job.
10. This can only be a good thing.
11. The political controversy is troubling and not representative of majority of residents
12. I haven't lived here long enough to form a strong opinion on this question. Certainly Municipal Council and residents should have very strong intercommunication and, to the extent possible, residents should be involved through forums, working committees, etc. Perhaps community "clean-ups" and other such events might be organized??
13. Isn't that what civilization is based on? This doesn't just apply to MM.
14. Current Council mostly listened well, and acknowledged cases where they could have done better. Regardless of who gets elected, I'm optimistic that consultation and communication will get even better.
15. I agree that Council and Residents should work together to keep MM a great place to live.
16. I think that more engagement at the municipal level is needed more than ever in today's political climate.
17. Yes, lets work together. Talk to each other, learn from each other and stop fighting. Do what is best for the town, not just what the politicians want.
18. It's not rocket science. Be respectful and kind to each other. Leave egos aside and put residents first. Please.
19. The naysayers are just a handful! There are many more positive people in MM than you think!
20. Council is the major player as elected officials with support from its residents.
21. Teamwork works.
22. A community needs unity and I think people want to work together
23. But we elect them to do a job in accordance with their best judgement and the municipal legislation. we should not be second guessing every move they make
24. Respect, co-operation, and collaboration will be instrumental in making MM a better place to live. But finding respect, co-operation and collaboration between individuals and groups that feel threatened, or not heard, is a bigger task than I would [not] know how to achieve. Which is why I'm not running for Council, haha. I do fear that if individuals who seem from their public statements to be caught up in confrontational styles and blaming (and maybe even hatred) are elected to Council, we will have rough times ahead. But whoever is elected, I think we will have anger being expressed by members of the community, and rough times ahead. My goal is to vote for candidates who have a broad vision, and who seem to understand how to work with conflict, without reactively increasing conflict.
25. That does not mean we can't call BS like our finances are a mess.

26. However, I believe council should continue to make decisions based on their expertise and knowledge (both in house and from other experts) to not slow down process.
27. Always. Meanwhile MM council needs to engage with people who will commit to enagaging for productive change! MM Council (any council) will never please everyone all of the time. And, MM council is democratically elected - at some point that as to count for something as they become the decision makers
28. I believe the two can work together constructively in the proper forum if the electorate trusts their councillors.
29. Council vs residents is how we ended up in this mess. It's not "should" work together, it's "have/must" work together.
30. Everyone has wisdom and collaboration, not obedience, strengthens relationships