## **Candidate: Meagan Brame**

Riding: Esquimalt

1. Many communities don't know how much climate change is costing them at present, and will cost in the future. Will you commit to putting systems in place to identify and track those costs?

Yes, while i have been on council we have created many policies around climate action and will continue to work on our Climate Action mandate and goals.

2. Will you work to develop and implement climate adaptation plans to reduce the harm that climate change causes in your community? How will you fund climate adaptation?

Yes, as a current Esquimalt Councillor we have been working to develop and implement climate adaptation plans and we have developed a sustainability fund that could be used to help fund climate adaptation.

- 3. Will you commit to protecting taxpayers by seeking to recover a fair share of climate costs from the fossil fuel companies who profit from selling products that result in greenhouse gases? Specifically, if elected, would you ask your Council to:
  - a. Send Climate Accountability letters from your community to major fossil fuel producers demanding that they pay their fair share of local climate costs caused by their activities and products?

Not sure they are reading them but will send them as climate change is real and it is costing us all.

b. Press the province of BC to enact Liability for Climate-related Harms laws to give municipalities and others greater legal certainty, lower costs and timely resolutions if they sue to recover climate damages from fossil fuel companies?

Municipal costs continue to rise due to climate related issues and there needs to be funds to help the taxpayer pay those and with laws put in place it is easier to make that happen.

c. Explore legal action against fossil fuel companies to recover a share of local climate costs?

No answer.

4. In your view, why is it important (or not) to hold fossil fuel companies accountable for your community's climate costs?

They are making the money off our environment and resources and they say that the changes we are seeing are not from their work - prove it. Many say it is the earth's cycle - maybe that is true but I think it is being pushed to fast forward in part to the planet's use of fossil fuels.