Gordon "Hawkeye" Flaherty

Hello everyone. I'm HAWKEYE FLAHERTY and am running for the position of Mayor of Minturn. My name will appear as GORDON "HAWKEYE" FLAHERTY on the Ballot. If you would just please mark the box next to my name that would be great. I would greatly appreciate it.

A little about myself. I was born and raised here and been resident here for 70 some odd years. My business partner Darrel and I had a hardware/small engine service business in the 100 block during the 1980s. Most of my career however was spent at the Town of Vail



where I worked in the Public Works Department Street Division. I retired from the Town of Vail in 2021. I spent many years serving the citizens of the town as a Councilman and Mayor. I also served on the Eagle River Water and Sanitation Board for two terms.

Here are some thought on why I am running for Mayor again:

One is I do not agree with the idea of building a 20-30 million dollar water plant. To pay for that will put our water costs thru the roof. I think we can rebuild, revamp, and repair our current plant and it will serve the current and future town water needs just fine.

Second I think the new building code ordinance for the 100 block need revisited. The mayor and council spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to come up with regulations that allow developers to build buildings with no required parking. To allow a building height of 35ft. Also the plan requires property owners to donate 5 feet of the front of their property to the town to be used as the town deems necessary. If and when the 100 block does see some reconstruction or development it will end up looking like Gore Creek Drive in Vail or Riverwalk in Edwards. Is that really how you want Minturn developed?

Third I don't think the tax payers money is being managed very well. Taxes keep going up. Water rates keep rising. When do you ever hear about expenses being cut?

These are a few thoughts on why I'm running for Mayor. The foremost reason is that I want to make sure that future development fits with Minturn's small town charm and historical character and future development enhances those qualities and does not overpower and diminish them. I truly appreciate your support and your vote.