## If I were Mayor...

If I were mayor I would want peace to be spread by everyone everywhere. I would work hard to let people in our community to know that they aren't alone. That even through the hardest times you have people that can help you. I would want to plan activities that would bring the community together as one and bring together people who are afraid to friend someone themselves. I believe that a community who is united as one is a strong community. A goal of mine is to keep our town clean and happy.

There are many different things I would do to bring the community together. I would set up dates where the town of Scappoose would come together and hang out with music, food, games, and many other activities!

As mayor I would try to show up to many Scappoose events and cheer on local sports teams. Doing this I would show that the only things I care about aren't just political things but the community. I would want to create a name for Scappoose that we don't care what you look like, your race, and your beliefs. That the size of your heart matters and how you use it. We accept all, even people with flaws and people who made mistakes. Mistakes are proof people are trying. Nobody is perfect either. People should be weird, unique, because all of this is what makes a good community.

Being the mayor, I would want to find new ways to help the ecosystem around us--for example, picking up trash, not littering, reusing things. If people save Christmas boxes for the next year, why not save bags and plastics to reuse? There's different important reasons to keep our community clean. To have sporting events, you want clean fields, clean places for children to play, and places for people to walk their dogs. To promote clean areas, I would have trash cans placed all around, on trails, at parks, and sporting fields. I believe having bright and colorful signs everywhere to catch people's attention will help show that picking up trash is a great thing.

As mayor I feel having a community clean of violence would also be a good thing to have. Letting people know that violence isn't the answer and that there are other ways to solve a problem. One way could be making sure people know that there are many people out there to help. Having a community clean of violence is important not only for safety but for population growth. Growing of population is an important thing, and having a community full of violence isn't a great way for families or couples looking to start a family to want to move here.

An important part of being mayor is spending money on the right things. Making sure our funding isn't going to something that isn't important. For example, funding for schools is a very important thing. Making sure all schools have everything they need to have a great education. The start of a successful life is education, if schools don't have everything they need, it could be hard to offer great education. The schools having enough funding is very important for safety reasons as well. Making sure schools have gates up, making sure all the doors are locked, and making sure the bathrooms have all the appropriate things.

Money sometimes becomes a hard thing to have. As mayor I would do fundraisers that the whole community could do to raise money for the fundings we need. Either a bottle drive, or can food drive, stuff like that.

In conclusion, if I were mayor I would want a friendly safe community. To make sure everyone felt welcomed and happy. People's opinions matter and I would make sure I listened to them.