I am running for Eastern Regional Councillor and I believe I have a sound understanding of the role of Council and the role of Councillors from my many years as a volunteer with the Kingston Chapter. I believe in strong and effective engineering regulation.

Please visit me on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Linked In</u> for more information and ask me questions. I can also be reached at <u>cchiddle.erc@gmail.com</u>

Where do I stand with respect to mandatory continued professional development and license fees?

Personally, I think CPD should be mandatory and as professionals we are each competent to ensure one's training is relevant and appropriate. But that does not mean as a Councillor I will champion it. If the question comes before Council, I would review the supporting material for and against a mandatory program and make a decision based on what is in the best interest of the Public. As I have stated in various social media outlets, if the question requires a referendum by license holders, then I will support a binding referendum.

I have said many times before – I believe our fees are too low. It does not mean I believe in a wholesale increase in our fees without review of PEO regulatory programs, staff contingents to support the programs and all expenditures. I believe our fees should not be static; at the bare minimum the fees should increase each year when the inflation index does.

If you are concerned with what you have seen me post, or what others are saying, I encourage you to reach out to me via email, Facebook or Linked In. I value open, respectful input from other P.Engs and EITs.

I believe as Councillor, I would be able to make fact-based decisions, for the protection of the public.