



Elections - 2010

Municipal Newsletter

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Hours of Operation

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FILING OF NOMINATIONS – 2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

(Notice is hereby given to anyone proposing to be a candidate in the Municipal Election on October 25, 2010.)

Section 33(1) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, provides that a person may be nominated for an office by filing a nomination with the Returning Officer in the Municipal Clerk's Office in person or by an agent. The nomination shall be in the prescribed form; be accompanied by a declaration of qualification in the prescribed form, signed by the person being nominated (facsimile signatures are not acceptable) and be accompanied by the prescribed nomination filing fee of \$200.00 for the office of Mayor or \$100.00 for all other offices. The filing fee is payable by cash, certified cheque or money order.

The nomination form may be filed with the Clerk at any time during normal office hours beginning January 4, 2010, up to and including Nomination Day, September 10, 2010 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., except for September 10, 2010 between 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., for the following offices:

Municipality of Red Lake: **MAYOR (1) and COUNCIL (6)**

Keewatin-Patricia District School Board: **TRUSTEE (1)** (*subject to change)

Kenora Catholic District School Board : **TRUSTEE (1)**

Conseil Scolaire de District Catholique des Aurores Boreales: **TRUSTEE (1)** (*subject to change)

Further Election Notices will be provided.

Shelly L. Kocis
Clerk & Returning Officer

Qualification – Municipal Office

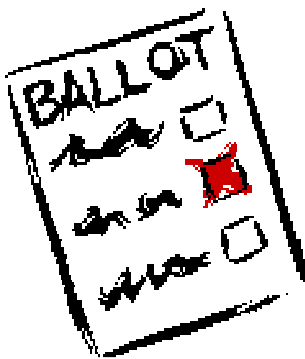
A candidate for municipal office must, upon nomination, be a qualified municipal elector and fulfill all of the following requirements:

- (a) a resident of the municipality, a non-resident owner or tenant of land in the municipality or the spouse of such non-resident owner or tenant;
- (b) a Canadian Citizen;
- (c) at least 18 years old;
- (d) not legally prohibited from voting; and
- (e) not disqualified by any legislation from holding municipal office.

Qualification – School Board Trustee

A candidate for municipal office must, upon nomination, be a qualified municipal elector and fulfill all of the following requirements:

- (a) a resident within the jurisdiction of the board;
- (b) a supporter of the board;
- (c) a Canadian Citizen;
- (d) at least 18 years old;
- (e) Roman Catholic (if running for a separate school board);
- (f) not prohibited from voting; and
- (g) not disqualified by any legislation from holding school board office.



Candidates and/or School Board Trustees

Election Forms &
Documents, including
Nomination Papers,
Guides, etc. are available
at the Office of the Clerk

Municipal Office
2 Fifth Street
Balmertown, Ontario

ACCESSIBLE ELECTIONS

Section 11.1 of the *Municipal Elections Act* provides that the Clerk of a local municipality is responsible for conducting elections within that municipality. The Clerk is mandated as Returning Officer for Municipal Elections of which the Council has no direct control.

The biggest challenge for the Elections – 2010 is to ensure that all areas are accessible to voters with disabilities. Section 45(2) of the *Municipal Elections Act* has been repealed and replaced that the Clerk shall have regard to the needs of electors with disabilities when choosing a location for a voting place.

The Clerk is required to ensure that each voting place is accessible to electors with disabilities, which may result in fewer options available for voting locations.

The Clerk's Office has been looking at options to ensure that the needs of electors with disabilities are being completed as per legislation.

At this time, the Clerk's Office is reviewing the locations for voting places. The Municipal Office (Balmertown) and the Red Lake Heritage Centre (Red Lake) are both municipally-owned accessible facilities. We are investigating having elections at these voting places only and increasing the number of Advance Votes. This means that electors would have the opportunity to vote at two different locations on three (3) separate dates.

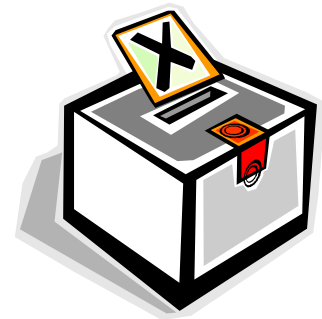
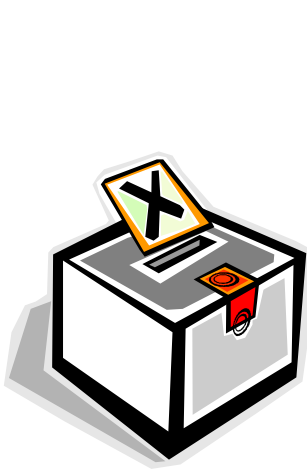
ELECTION WORKERS

Municipal Elections for the Municipality of Red Lake are scheduled for Monday, October 25th, 2010. Unless all offices are filled by acclamation, election workers will be required for the positions of Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks.

Election workers will be required to attend a training session for municipal elections, as well as accessible customer service training. Election workers are vital to the success of the election process.

Please watch for further information with regards to applying to be an Election Worker. You are encouraged to get involved in the upcoming election. Your assistance is vital to the success of the election process.

**Further information may be obtained by contacting
Shelly L. Kocis, Clerk & Returning Officer, at 735-2096, Ext. 232.**



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