



Elections - 2010

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake

Notice of Election

NOTICE is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Municipality of Red Lake that more candidates have been nominated for the office of Councillor than the number required to fill such office, therefore an election will be held on:

Monday, October 25, 2010

For the purpose of electing the Holders of Office of Councillor

COUNCILLOR SIX (6) SEATS

Acclamations

(There will be no election for the following offices as the candidates were duly elected by acclamation.)

Mayor – **Phil T. Vinet**

Keewatin-Patricia District School Board - **Dianne Sidders**
(English Public Trustee)

Kenora Catholic District School Board – **Vaughn Blab**
(English Separate Trustee)

Conseil Scolaire de district Catholique des Aurores Boreales – **Debbie Paquette**
(French Language Separate Trustee)

Conseil Scolaire de District du Grand Nord de L'Ontario – **Anne-Marie Gelineault**
(French Language Public Trustee)

As this election is "Vote by Mail" there will be no Advance Polls or Proxy Voting.

Voter's Kits (which include the ballot) are expected to be mailed on Monday, September 27, 2010, and the Revision Centre at the Municipal Office in Balmertown will open on Monday, October 4, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Electors may be added to the Voters' List and/or receive a Replacement/Blank Voter's Kit in the event they did not receive one in the mail. Completed ballot packages may also be deposited in the Drop Box at the Municipal Office during this time.

The Revision Centre at the Municipal Office will be open in accordance with legislation on Voting Day as follows: **Monday, October 25, 2010, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.**

A list of all Certified Candidates is advertised on Page 1 of this Newsletter, posted at the Office of the Clerk and on the Website at www.red-lake.com.

Dated at the Municipality of Red Lake this 22nd day of September, 2010.

Shelly L. Kocis, Clerk & Returning Officer
735-2096, Ext. 232

Certified Candidates for Office of Councillor

Jason **Baker**

Anne **Billard**

Tom **Doherty**

Ken **Forsythe**

Steen **Jensen**

Brian **Larson**

Sandy **Middleton**

Paul **Parsons**

Alana **Procyk**

Lynne **Rasmussen**

Debra **Shushack**

2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**PUBLIC NOTICE****NOTICE OF VOTE BY MAIL PROCESS**

The 2010 Municipal Elections are being conducted by Vote by Mail. Each qualified elector will be receiving a complete "Voter Kit" in the mail. The following is an outline of the process by which electors will follow to cast their ballots:

- Vote-by-Mail Voter's Kits will be mailed to all electors on **September 27, 2010**.
- **If you do not receive a Vote-by-Mail Voter's Kit by October 12, 2010**, please contact the Revision Centre at the Municipal Office to amend the Voters' List, and sign a declaration form to receive a Blank Voter Kit.
- Electors should **MAIL** their completed Return Voter's Kit to the Municipality of Red Lake by October 16, 2010, to ensure its delivery prior to Voting Day (October 25, 2010).
- **Electors are encouraged to mail in their ballots**, however, electors may drop off their completed Return Voter's Kit at the Municipal Office during normal business hours, Monday to Friday (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or on Voting Day (October 25, 2010) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- **Any Return Voter's Kits not mailed by the elector prior to October 16, 2010, should be hand delivered to the Municipal Office to ensure it will be received in time for the close of polls at 8:00 p.m. on October 25, 2010 (Voting Day).**

On Voting Day (Monday, October 25, 2010):

- The Vote-by-Mail Voter's Kit you received in the mail should be considered your only ballot. **If you choose to vote on Voting Day**, you **MUST** bring the completed Return Voter's Kit you received in the mail or the Blank Voter's Kit that you were issued previously at the Municipal Office and place it in the Drop Box box located at the Municipal Office.

Electors are encouraged to participate in the Municipality of Red Lake Municipal Election by voting using their Vote-by-Mail Voter's Kit.

Voters should check the contents of their Vote-by-Mail Voter's Kit. If any of the contents below are missing, they should call the Clerk's Office during regular business hours Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 735-2096, Ext. 232.

A Vote-by-Mail Voter's Kit includes:

- 1. Ballot**
- 2. Voting Instructions and Voter Declaration Form (to be signed by Elector)**
- 3. Secrecy Envelope (White)**
- 4. Postage-paid Reply Envelope (Yellow)**

Ballots have been prepared for counting on electronic voting tabulators and should not be folded in any manner other than as originally creased and as per instructions. Also, as the original ballots in your Voter's Kit has been formatted specifically for use in the electronic voting tabulators, please **DO NOT** photocopy this ballot and remark. If you require or a replacement ballot, please attend the Municipal Office at Balmertown.

TIPS FOR COMPLETING YOUR BALLOT

1. Preferably use a pen with black ink to mark your ballot.
2. Fill in the oval beside the candidate's name of your choice.
3. Do not write anything else on the ballot or secrecy envelope.
4. Insert the completed ballot in the white secrecy envelope and seal. **Only include the ballot in the secrecy envelope.**
5. Sign the Voter's Declaration Form and detach from the instructions. **DO NOT** place this form in the white secrecy envelope.
6. Place the sealed white secrecy envelope containing your **BALLOT ONLY** and the signed Voter's Declaration Form into the yellow return envelope with the Municipality's address showing in the window of the yellow envelope.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

1. Please **DO NOT** enclose the signed "Voter Declaration Form" in the white secrecy envelope. This is to be separate from the white secrecy envelope, which contains the completed ballot **ONLY**.
2. The final day to deposit postmarked Return Voter's Kits with Canada Post is **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2010**. Following this date, electors are encouraged to take steps to ensure alternate delivery of Return Voter's Kits to the Municipal Office.
3. **NO Ballots will be accepted after 8:00 p.m. on Voting Day (October 25, 2010) either by personal delivery or by mail.**
4. **There will be no advance polls other than electors may submit their Return Voter's Kits at the Municipal Office upon receipt of their Voter's Kit in the mail commencing September 27, 2010, up to and including Voting Day, October 25, 2010, by 8:00 p.m.**
5. **Voting by Proxy is not an option in this election.**
6. **Please follow the instructions included in the Voter's Kits very closely. Only one Voter's Kit is to be used per voter for the purpose of voting in this election.**

CORRECTIONS TO VOTERS' LIST

Electors are encouraged to check the Voters' List to ensure your name and mailing address is correct. Copies of the Voters' List are available for your inspection at the Clerk's Office at the Municipal Office; Balmertown Public Library; and Red Lake Public Library. Please note, amendments to the Voters' List will continue to be accepted during regular business hours commencing September 7, 2010, until the close of polls at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 25, 2010 (Voting Day).

Information regarding the 2010 Municipal Elections is also available on the Municipality of Red Lake website at www.red-lake.com or contact the Office of the Clerk at (807) 735-2096, Ext. 232.

IF YOU CHOSE NOT TO VOTE

It is every elector's right to vote where qualified. However, some electors may choose not to exercise this right. If this is the case, electors should destroy their ballot by shredding it. This way, no one else can take away your right to vote or exercise this right on your behalf.

APPOINTMENTS TO LOCAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

With 2010 being an election year, the Municipality will be looking to appoint Municipality of Red Lake residents interested in serving on the following Boards and Committees for the new term of Council following the October Municipal Election. The term of Council is a four (4) year term – December 1, 2010, to November 30, 2014.

- **Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee**
- **Planning Advisory Committee**
- **Red Lake Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation**
- **Red Lake Police Services Board**
- **Red Lake Public Library Board**
- **Red Lake Regional Heritage Centre Board**
- **Walkable Communities Advisory Committee (Trails)**

If you are interested in submitting your name, applications forms are available from the Municipal Office in Balmertown or on-line at www.red-lake.com (see Appointment to Local Boards and Committee Form). Current Board/Committee Members are encouraged to submit their names for consideration.

***New:** Municipal employees cannot be appointed to any board or body to which the Council makes appointments as a voting member, however, municipal employees may be appointed as resource persons only.*

Applications are to be submitted to:

Office of the Clerk
The Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake
2 Fifth Street
P.O. Box 1000
Balmertown, Ontario
POV 1C0

807-735-2286 (Fax)

Deadline for receipt of applications is **Wednesday, November 3, 2010.**

Should written submissions be unavoidably received after the expiry date, such submissions may be considered from the floor. The deadline is established only to assist Administration in compiling the necessary documentation for Council's Agenda.



October 25, 2010
Voting Day

