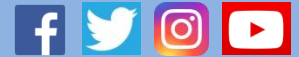


Municipal Newsletter



(The Municipal Newsletter is available on-line @ www.redlake.ca)

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**Interested in knowing how
Internet and Telephone
voting works?**

Check out the video tutorial at:

redlake.ca/vote



Information for Voters

The 2018 Municipal Election in October will be convenient and accessible to all eligible voters. Electors will be voting electronically – by **Internet or Telephone** (no paper ballots).

Can I vote?

On Voting Day (October 22, 2018), you must:

- Be 18 years of age; and
- Be a Canadian citizen; and
- Live, rent or own property in the municipality or be a spouse of an owner or tenant of land in the municipality; and
- Not otherwise be prohibited by law from voting.

Am I on the Voters' List?

You must be on the Voters' List in order to receive a **Voter Information Letter**. Checking the Voters' List is an important step to ensure that your name and address are listed correctly. **Do not assume you are on the list – check to be sure!**

To find out if you are on the Voters' List, please:

- Visit the Municipal Office at 2 Fifth Street, Balmertown; or
- Call the Municipal Office at 807-735-2096 ext. 235 or 234; or
- Email elections@redlake.ca.

The Voter Information Letters have been mailed! Please watch for them in your mailbox between September 18th – 25th, 2018.

They are being mailed early in light of the potential Canada Post strike. Hold onto your letter and keep it in a safe place for when it comes time to vote!

If you do not receive a Voter Information Letter, please visit or contact the Municipal Office at 807-735-2096 ext. 235 or 234 or email elections@redlake.ca

What do I need to Vote?

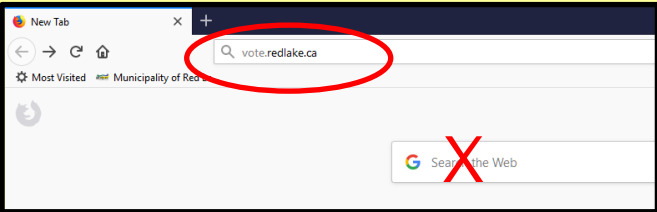
- Internet or telephone access.
- A **Voter Information Letter** will arrive in the mail between **September 18th – 25th, 2018**.

The Voter Information Letter will include the following information:

- 9 digit PIN (Personal Identification Number);
- Internet web address;
- 1-877 toll free number to use for telephone voting;
- Voting assistance and other election information.

If you do not receive your Voter Information Letter **by September 25th, 2018**, please visit or contact the Municipal Office at 807-735-2096 ext. 235 or 234 or elections@redlake.ca.

How easy is it to Vote by Internet or Telephone?

Vote by Internet	Vote by Telephone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open internet browser (Chrome, Safari, Internet Explorer, Firefox etc.) • In the address bar (see circle below), type in vote.redlake.ca (press enter)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your Year of Birth. • Enter your PIN provided in your Voter Information Letter. • Your ballot will be displayed; select your Candidate(s) of choice. • Your selection(s) will be confirmed after you select “continue”. You can confirm or change your selection. • Upon completion, you will receive a receipt code. • When finished voting, close your browser. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dial the 1-877 toll free number provided in your Voter Information Letter. • When prompted, enter your Year of Birth. • When prompted, enter your PIN provided in your Voter Information Letter. • You will then hear the first race (Mayoral) and the associated list of Candidates; followed by the second race (Councillor) and the associated list of Candidates; when prompted, select the Candidate(s) of choice by pressing the corresponding number. • For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to select William Smith – Press 1 • to select Nancy Scott – Press 2 • You will be able to repeat the list at anytime. • Your selection will be confirmed at each step and you will be given the opportunity to confirm or change the selection. • Upon completion, you will hear a message thanking you for your participation signalling you that you are finished voting.

Voting Period

You can begin voting on **Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. local time up until Monday, October 22, 2018 (Voting Day) at 8:00 p.m. local time**, at which time the election will close. Voters have **10 days** to vote in the 2018 Municipal Election.

Voter Help Centres

Voter Help Centres will be available throughout the Voting Period to:

- Answer questions regarding the election;
- Check the Voters' List to ensure voters are registered to vote;
- Receive or replace a Voter Information Letter with a PIN; and
- Provide assistance with voting.

Voters may vote with the assistance of a “support person” at a Voter Help Centre, however, they shall be required to take an oath prior to providing assistance.

Voter Help Centre Locations

The main Voter Help Centre will be at the **Municipal Office**, 2 Fifth Street, Balmertown, from now until October 22, 2018, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Further Voter Help Centres will be set up during the Voting Period (October 13, 2018 - October 22, 2018) at the following locations:

- **Red Lake Community Centre**
- **Red Lake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital and Northwood Lodge (patients/clients only)**
- **George Aiken Manor, Follansbee Apartments and Legion Villa (tenants only)**
- **Red Lake Indian Friendship Centre**

Dates and times will be advertised in an upcoming Municipal Newsletter and on social media outlets.

Public computers and internet are also available at the Red Lake and Balmertown Libraries during regular business hours for voting purposes.

Candidates for Office

Mayor – One (1) to be elected

Gary GAZANKAS
Dale KOSIE
Sandy MIDDLETON
Fred MOTA

Councillor – Four (4) to be elected

Warren BADIUK	Jack GOODWILLIE
Carol BARON	Janet HAGER
Dale BUTTERFIELD	Jamie KRISTOFF
Mike DESMEULES	Allistair MCRAE
Tom DOHERTY	Ted NOWAKOWSKI
Samantha DYKIN	Gene VALLEE

There will be no School Board Trustee election as all offices were acclaimed.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. I don't have a computer/internet or a telephone. Where can I vote?

Voter Help Centres will be established at locations during the Voting Period as outlined on Page 3 of this Newsletter. Voter assistance and equipment will be available at the noted locations. The Red Lake and Balmertown Libraries also have access to computers with internet.

2. Are there advance polls or proxy voting?

With the election being conducted by internet and telephone voting from October 13, 2018 through to October 22, 2018, there is no requirement for advance polls or proxy voting. Voters can vote anytime, anywhere and anyplace during the Voting Period over the internet from any computer, laptop, tablet, cell phone or by touch-tone phone.

3. What is the deadline for getting onto the Voter's List in order to vote in the 2018 Municipal Election?

The deadline is 8:00 p.m. local time on Monday, October 22, 2018. **DO NOT** wait until the last minute, make sure your name is on the list well in advance.

4. Why did I not receive a Voter Information Letter in the mail?

There could be a number of reasons, for example:

- Your name was not on the Voters' List before the Voter Information Letters were mailed.

Reasons for this might be that:

- You are new to town; or
- You have moved within the municipality since the last Municipal Election in 2014 and your new address has not been updated on the Voters' List.
- Your VIL was mailed, but it came back to the Municipal Office as returned mail because we do not have your current mailing address on the Voters' List.

If any of these circumstances apply, please visit or contact the Municipal Office.

5. What if I am out of town for an extended period and will not be able to access my Voter Information Letter from my mailbox? Can I still vote?

Yes, you can still vote. After September 25, 2018 up until October 22, 2018 prior to 8:00 p.m., visit or contact the Municipal Office and we will re-issue you a replacement Voter Information Letter with a new PIN (the PIN on the original Voter Information Letter will be void).