

MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO

CHARTERED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

November 20, 2018

To: Citizens of the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)
From: Office of the Chief Electoral Officer
Re: MNO Thames Bluewater Community Council

Consistent with the Métis Nation of Ontario Community Charter agreement, By-laws and Community Council electoral code, a ballot box election has been called to fill vacancies and renew mandates of the MNO Thames Blue Water Community Council. All registered Métis Citizens in the Council area are encouraged to participate fully in this election process either as candidates or through exercising their right to vote.

The area of the council includes;

Northern Boundary: Beginning at Goderich follow Hwy 8 in a southern direction through Clinton, Seaforth to Mitchell.

Eastern Boundary: Beginning at Mitchell follow Hwy 23 in a south/westerly direction to Whalen Corners. Continue south on Hwy 23 to Elginfield. From Elginfield draw a horizontal line to Medina. From Medina follow Hwy 119/19 south to Tillsonburg then continue south on Hwy 59 to the shores of Lake Erie at Long Point.

Southern Boundary: Beginning at Long Point follow the Lake Erie shoreline in a western direction through to Port Stanley, continue west to where Hwy 17 intersects with Hwy 15 at Morpeth.

Western Boundary: Beginning at where Hwy 17 intersects with Hwy 15 at the shores of Lake Erie near Morpeth draw a line in a north/western direction through Louisville, Tupperville to where Hwy 78 intersects with Hwy 33 near Walpole Island. Follow Hwy 33 in a northern direction to the shores of the St. Clair River at Port Lambton. Follow the St. Clair River north to the mouth of Lake Huron at Point Edward. From Point Edward follow the Lake Huron shoreline north through Kettle Point, Grand Bend, Bayfield and ending at Goderich.

The election process is as follows;

Polling station:

Nichols Meeting Room
Earl Nichols Arena
799 Homeview Rd
London, On

Date and Time of Election: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Saturday, January 19, 2019

Returning Officer: Hank Rowlinson
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Métis Nation of Ontario
Chief Electoral Officer

Métis Nation
of Ontario 

Voters' list:

December 8, 2018: Posting of the Preliminary Voters' List at the MNO Thames Blue Water Council office

- Citizens are encouraged to contact the Returning Officer to ensure their correct address and name is listed.

December 15, 2018: Posting of the Final Voters' List at the MNO Thames Blue Water Council office

- Official Candidates will be provided a copy of the Final Voters' List upon request to the Returning Officer.

Community Council Electoral Code: A copy will be posted at the Thames Blue Water Council office.

Vacant positions on council:

There are 10 vacant positions as follows:

President
Secretary
Senator
Youth Rep

Chair
Treasurer
Women's Rep
Three (3) Councillors

Nomination process:

Deadline for the close of nominations: 6:00 pm EST, December 8, 2018

Nominations are to be submitted in writing to the Returning Officer by this date and time. Nominations are to include the name of the person being nominated (the candidate); the position the candidate is seeking, name and signature of two registered MNO Citizens resident in the Council area, signature of the candidate accepting the nomination. Candidates may be nominated for one position only.

Announcement of official candidates: 6:00 pm EST, December 15, 2018

All nominated candidates must have their documentation verified by the MNO Registrar who will be asked to do so by the Returning Officer after the Close of Nominations. The verification process ensures that all required genealogical information and proof of Aboriginal ancestry is in the records of the candidate at the MNO Registry Office. Those candidates who do not meet the verification requirements will not be able to participate as a candidate.

Scrutineers:

Candidates may appoint one person to be their Scrutineer at the polling station. Candidates may appoint alternative Scrutineers but only the Scrutineer or the alternate may be present at one time in the polling station. The name of the Scrutineer and alternates must be provided in writing by the Candidate to the Returning Officer. One Scrutineer per candidate may witness the counting of the ballots.

For more information

Any questions concerning the election may be addressed to the Returning Officer.