

# MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO

## CHARTERED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

April 22, 2019

**To:** Citizens of the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)  
**From:** Office of the Chief Electoral Officer  
**Re:** MNO Thunder Bay Métis Community Council

Consistent with the Metis 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 Thunder Bay Metis 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;**

#### **The Thunder Bay Métis Council is described geographically as follows:**

**Western Boundary:** Beginning at the English River, follow a vertical line straight south along the Region 1 – 2 border all the way south to Saganaga Lake. Proceed south through Saganaga Lake to the Canada-US border.

**Southern Boundary:** From Saganaga Lake on the Canada-US border follow the international border in an easterly direction through to the mouth of the Pigeon River on Lake Superior. From the mouth of the Pigeon River follow a straight line to Puff Island Provincial Natural Reserve on Lake Superior which is located just south of Simpson Island on Lake Superior.

**Eastern Boundary:** From Puff Island follow a vertical line north to Lake Helen, continue north following Hwy 11 to Orient Bay. Continue northwesterly to Armstrong.

**Northern Boundary:** From Armstrong follow a vertical line to Gull Bay. Continue in a southwesterly direction to the English River.

### **The election process is as follows;**

#### **Polling station:**

MNO Offices  
226 May St. S.  
Thunder Bay, ON

**Date and time of election:** 9:00 am – 6:00 pm, Saturday, May 25, 2019

#### **Returning Officer:** Hank Rowlinson

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**Métis Nation of Ontario**  
Chief Electoral Officer

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### **Voters' list:**

**May 12, 2019:** Posting of the Preliminary Voters' List at the MNO Thunder Bay Métis Council office

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

**May 20, 2019:** Posting of the Final Voters' List at the MNO Thunder Bay Métis 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 Thunder Bay Métis Council office.

### **Vacant positions on council:**

There are 10 vacant positions as follows:

President  
Secretary  
Senator  
Councillors (3)

Chair  
Treasurer  
Women's Representative  
Youth Representative

### **Nomination process:**

#### **Deadline for the close of nominations: 6:00 pm EST, May 10, 2019**

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, May 15, 2019**

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. After close of nominations the Returning Officer will engage with the Registry to have all nominated candidates verified as per **MNO Policy #2018-001**. 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.