

MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO

CHARTERED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

May 10, 2019

To: Citizens of the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)
From: Office of the Chief Electoral Officer
Re: MNO Northern Lights 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 Northern Lights Community 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 Northern Lights Métis Council is described geographically as follows:

Southern Boundary:

From a point where the Nat River and the Groundhog River converge in an Easterly direction to the HWY 655. From this point in a South-eastern direction the junction of HWY 11 and HWY 67. From the junction of HWY 11 and HWY 67 in an Easterly direction to the point where the Abitibi River meets Abitibi Lake. From this point, follow the Southern shore of Lake Abitibi to the Quebec Border.

Western Boundary:

From a point where the Nat River and the Groundhog River converge in a Northerly direction following the Groundhog river to Smokey Falls on the Mattagami River

Northern Boundary:

From Smokey Falls on the Mattagami River directly East to the Quebec border.

Eastern Boundary:

From the point where the Northern Boundary intersects the Quebec border in a Southerly direction along the Quebec / Ontario boundary to the point where the Quebec / Ontario boundary meets the Southern shore of Lake Abitibi

The election process is as follows;

Polling station:

261 3rd Ave.
Cochrane, ON

Date and time of election: 9:00 am – 6:00 pm, Wednesday May 29, 2019

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

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Voters' list:

May 18, 2019: Posting of the Preliminary Voters' List at the MNO Northern Lights Métis Council office

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

May 23, 2019: Posting of the Final Voters' List at the MNO Northern Lights 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 Northern Lights Métis Council office.

Vacant positions on council:

There are nine (9) vacant positions as follows:

President	Chair
Secretary/Treasurer	Women's Rep
Youth Rep	Senator
Councillors (3)	

Nomination process:

Deadline for the close of nominations: 6:00 pm EST, May 17, 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 23, 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. 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 or Roles and Responsibilities of the Council positions may be addressed to the Returning Officer, Hank Rowlinson.