Consistent with the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) Community Charter agreement, By-laws and Community Council electoral code, an election has been called to fill vacancies and renew mandates of the MNO North Channel Métis Council for a four (4) year term. 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. Council boundaries are provided on the next page.

COUNCIL ELECTION DATES:  March 25, 2021 9 a.m. – March 31, 2021 9 p.m. EST

9 Vacant positions on Council:
   President
   Chair
   Secretary/Treasurer
   Senator
   Women’s Rep
   Youth Rep
   Councilors  (3)

If you are interested in putting your name forward for a position on the council please see the next page for instructions. The nomination form is included or contact the Electoral Officer for a copy.

The election process is as follows – you may vote electronically or by phone;
   • On-Line Voting:  https://onefeather.ca/nations/mno
   • Telephone Voting:  1-855-923-3006 (Toll Free)

Dates and times of election:
On-Line Voting begins 9:00 a.m. on March 25, 2021 and runs through March 31, 2021 at 9:00 p.m.
Telephone Voting is available from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. EST on March 25, 2021 and again on March 31, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. EST.

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   Cell: 905-351-4421

VOTING:
   • Eligible should Sign up to Vote at https://onefeather.ca/nations/mno
   • A voters list will be available to verified candidates upon request, (2 days after nominations close)
   • Verifications of Candidates are complete on March 17, 2021
   • Note: Only verified Candidates running for election will be eligible to request a “voters list” by contacting the Electoral Officer.
Community Council Electoral Code: A copy is available on MNO website www.metisnation.org.

How to Run for a Position on the Community Council:

- **Deadline for Close of Nominations:** 6:00p.m. EST, March 14, 2021.
  
  Nomination forms of candidates are to be submitted in writing to the Electoral Officer by this date and time. Nominations are to include the name of the person being nominated (the candidate); and the position the candidate is seeking. **Candidates can self-nominate** for one position only. A nomination form is provided or you can contact the Electoral Officer to request a form.

- **Announcement of Official Candidates:** 6:00p.m. EST, March 17, 2021.
  
  After the Close of Nominations all nominated candidates must have their documentation verified by the MNO Registrar who will be asked to do so by the Electoral Officer. The verification process ensures that all required genealogical information and proof of Métis ancestry is in the records of the candidate with the MNO Registry Office. Those candidates who do not meet the verification requirements will not be able to participate as a candidate.

The North Channel Métis Council is described geographically as follows:

- **Northern Boundary:** Beginning from the Southwestern tip of Rocky Island Lake where the Mississagi River intersects with the Wenebegon River in an Eastern direction to the North Eastern Tip of Rocky Island Lake, continuing in an Eastern direction, follow the shoreline of Rocky Island Lake in a Northeastern direction through the river system to Bark Lake.

- **Eastern Boundary:** Beginning from the most south easterly tip of Bark lake follow the Mississagi River in a Southern direction until the river intersects with Hwy 810. Follow Hwy 810 South to Hwy 553 through Massey to the shores of the North Channel.

- **Southern Boundary:** Beginning just East of Desbarats at Portlock, in an Eastern direction follow the North Channel Shoreline through Nestorville, Thessalon, Blind River and Spanish, then continue South/Eastern direction to the Southern tip of Sagamoke.

- **Western Boundary:** Beginning just East of Desbarats at Portlock, travel North through Plummer, continue north to Ophir to Poplar Dale. From Poplar Dale draw a horizontal line Northeast to where the Mississagi River intersects with the Wenebegon River at the Southwestern tip of Rocky Island Lake.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Any questions concerning this process may be addressed to the Electoral Officer.

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