

# MÉTIS NATION OF ONTARIO ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

Date: September 17, 2025

## COUNCIL:

Thames Bluewater Métis Council

## ELECTION DATES:

November 3, 2025 to November 5, 2025

Consistent with the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) Community Charter agreement, By-laws and Community Council Electoral Code, an election has been called for all positions on the Thames Bluewater Métis Council for a three (3) year term.

- All registered Métis citizens, 16 and over, who live within the council boundaries are encouraged to participate in this election as a candidate or by exercising their right to vote.
- All citizens can vote for the Senator position.
- Only Métis Youth aged 16-29 can vote for the Youth Rep.
- All Métis Women who have identified as a woman with Registry can vote for the Women's Rep.

If you are interested in putting your name forward for one of the volunteer council positions, a nomination form has been included with this notice.

### NINE (9) POSITIONS ON THE COUNCIL INCLUDE:

- PRESIDENT
- CHAIR
- SECRETARY
- TREASURER
- SENATOR
- WOMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE
- YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE
- COUNCILOR-AT-LARGE (2 positions)

*There is no in-person ballot-box voting. Voting will be done online or over the phone. Instructions on registering and voting are provided in this package and online.*



### DIGITAL ONLINE VOTING

<https://onefeather.ca/nations/mno>

From **November 3, 2025**, at **1:00 PM** through to **November 5, 2025**, closing at **8:00 PM** LOCAL TIME.

**To vote online, you need to visit the above website and activate your account. On the first election day, as the polls open, a unique voter PIN will be emailed to you.** You will need your PIN to vote. You can also activate your voter account and vote by phone (see telephone voting).

*All times in this notice are Eastern Time.*



### TELEPHONE VOTING

2 DAYS ONLY! 1-855-923-3006 (Toll-Free)

**November 3, 2025 OR November 5, 2025**  
Between **4:00 PM – 8:00 PM** LOCAL TIME.

If you have no internet access or are having difficulties with your PIN or voting online, we have arranged support for you to vote verbally, on the phone, with a Returning Officer. Please call the toll-free number 1-855-923-3006 and follow the prompts. If you get an answering machine, please leave a clear message with your name, area code, and phone number, and a Returning Officer will return your call.

## HOW TO RUN FOR A POSITION ON THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL:

- Citizens must have a complete MNO Registry file.
- Community Council citizens can be **nominated for one Council position only**.
- The requirement for **signatures of at least three (3) eligible electors** who support the nomination, as per [Electoral Code Part B, article B7.2](#), has been reinstated.
- Complete both sides of the nomination form and submit it to the Electoral Officer **before** the close of the nomination deadline date and time.
- Your primary residence and address must be within the council boundaries (provided on the right column).
- For verification, the MNO Registry requires an **updated proof of address** identification document (i.e. Valid Ontario Driver's license), that can be submitted with your nomination form. For more information on other acceptable ID please contact the MNO Registry at 1-855-798-1006.
- Electoral Code: Official candidates should review the electoral code at [www.metisnation.org](http://www.metisnation.org) on the Community Councils Contact page.

## COUNCIL ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

If you are considering a position on the council, a copy of [council roles and responsibilities](#) is available on the MNO's website in the Community Councils Elections tab.

## OPENING OF NOMINATIONS:

**September 22, 2025 at 9:00 AM (ET)**

Both pages of the nomination form must be legible, fully completed and signed. Nomination forms can be scanned or photographed and emailed to the Electoral Officer. Nomination forms can also be submitted by mail, but **must be received** by the deadline date and time indicated below.

## CLOSE OF NOMINATIONS DEADLINE:

**October 6, 2025 at 6:00 PM (ET)**

The Electoral Officer must receive all nomination forms by the above date and time. Incomplete nomination forms or late arrivals will not be accepted. A nomination form is enclosed or you can download a copy from the MNO's website on the [Community Councils Elections page](#).

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICIAL CANDIDATES:

**October 9, 2025 at 4:00 PM (ET)**

After the Close of Nominations, the Electoral Officer will ask the MNO Registrar to verify the nominee's file, proof of address, and eligibility to hold office. The verification process takes up to three (3) business days. Those candidates who do not meet the verification requirements will not be eligible to participate. Additional time for Registry verifications may result in slight delays in posting the official candidates list. If all candidates are acclaimed and the council has met quorum, there will be no online voting, and the official results will be posted.

## HOW TO VOTE: ACTIVATE YOUR ONEFEATHER VOTER ACCOUNT!

**Before voting day, please ensure you have created and confirmed your OneFeather account.**

Visit <https://www.onefeather.ca/nations/mno> and follow the instructions provided to access the voting event, or you can scan this QR Code with your cell phone to get started.



When signing into OneFeather, **please use the email address that is on file with the**

**MNO Registry**. Only one voter PIN per email address can be provided. If you do not have your own email address, please contact OneFeather for assistance (see below).

## MÉTIS COUNCIL BOUNDARIES:

**Please see boundary description on page 3.**

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

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## ONEFEATHER – VOTER SUPPORT:

Voter PIN, Online &  
Telephone Voting  
Toll Free: 1-855 923-3006  
Email: [voterhelp@onefeather.ca](mailto:voterhelp@onefeather.ca)

## MÉTIS COUNCIL BOUNDARIES:

**Northern Boundary:** Beginning at the shoreline of Lake Huron (81°43'42"W 43°41'54"N), continue east in a straight line until you intersect with Black's Point Road (81°43'37"W 43°41'54"N). Follow Black's Point Road in an easterly direction until you come to the intersection of Black's Point Road and Hwy 8 (81°38'44"W 43°42'1"N). Next, follow Hwy 8 in a southeast direction, continuing on Hwy 34 until you reach Mitchell at the intersection of Hwy 34 and Blanchard Street (81°12'W 43°28'8"N).

**Eastern Boundary:** Beginning at Mitchell at the intersection of Huron Rd and Blanchard Street (81°12'W 43°28'8"N) follow Blanchard street in a southwest direction and continue southwest on Hwy 164 until you come to the intersection of Hwy 164, Hwy 11 and Hwy 23 by Whalen Corners (81°21'41"W 43°15'58"N). Continue south on Hwy 23 until you come to the intersection of Hwy 23 and Hwy 7 (81°20'36"W 43°10'12"N). Continue in an easterly direction along Hwy 7 until you come to the intersection of Hwy 7 and the Thames Centre Municipal boundary (81°7'56"W 43°13'53"N). Continue in a southeast direction along Cobble Hills Road until you come to the intersection of Hwy 25 and Cobble Hills Road (81°6'15"W 43°10'37"N). Continue along Hwy 25 in an easterly direction until you come to the intersection of Hwy 25 and Hwy 119 (81°3'24"W 43°11'28"N) in Medina. Next, follow Hwy 119 in a southerly direction to the intersection of Hwy 119 and Hwy 2 in Thamesford (80°59'47"W 43°3'32"N). From here, follow Hwy 2 in an easterly direction until you come to Hwy 119 (80°59'38"W 43°3'35"N). Continue on Hwy 119 in a southerly and then easterly direction until you come to the intersection of Hwy 119 and the Town of Ingersoll boundary (80°54'25"W 43°2'31"N). Next, follow the Town of Ingersoll boundary in a northern direction until it intersects with the NorthTown Line W Road (80°54'29"W 43°2'41"N). Continue along the Town of Ingersoll boundary in an easterly direction until it intersects with Pemberton Street (80°52'49"W 43°3'10"N). Continue along the Town of Ingersoll boundary in a southerly direction to where the boundary turns northeast (80°52'40"W 43°2'52"N). Continue along the Town of Ingersoll boundary in a northeast direction until it comes to a point where the boundary turns south east (80°52'31"W 43°3'1"N). Continue to follow the Town of Ingersoll boundary in a south east direction to the point where the boundary turns north east ward in the middle of the Thames River (80°52'23"W 43°2'49"N). Continue to follow the Town of Ingersoll boundary along the Thames River to where it then proceeds in a southeast direction (80°52'16"W 43°2'55"N). Continue along the Town boundary crossing Hwy 401 and coming to a vertex of the Town boundary near Hwy 19 (80°50'53"W 43°1'23"N). From here, go in a straight line south west until you intersect with Hwy 19 (80°50'53"W 43°1'23"N). Continue to follow Hwy 19 in a southern direction until it intersects with Quarter Town Line (80°45'18"W 42°53'12"N). From here follow Quarter Townline until it intersects with the Town of Tillsonburg boundary (80°45'17"W 42°53'5"N). Next, follow the Town of Tillsonburg boundary westerly and then southerly, then easterly, crossing Hwy 19, and continuing until you intersect with Hwy 3 (80°42'10"W 42°51'5"N). Follow Hwy 3 in an easterly direction until it intersects with Hwy 59 (80°38'40"W 42°50'37"N). Continue along Hwy 59 until it intersects with Hastings Drive near the shore of Lake Erie by Long Point (80°26'26"W 42°34'42"N). Next continue straight until you reach the shore of Lake Erie (80°26'26"W 42°34'39"N).

**Southern Boundary:** Beginning at the shore of Lake Erie (80°26'26"W 42°34'39"N), follow the shoreline in a westerly direction to a point near Morpeth (81°50'22"W 42°19'50"N).

**Western Boundary:** Beginning at the point near Morpeth (81°50'22"W 42°19'50"N), 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 the shoreline of Lake Huron (81°43'42"W 43°41'54"N).