



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SEVERN

2018 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CENTRE



Do you want to learn more about Municipal Elections? Interested in becoming a candidate in 2018? Interested in providing community service?

SEVERN VOTES – MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018 !!

This is “Severn Election Centre” and we are here to provide information that is needed to understand the electoral process. The Clerk’s Department is responsible for and committed to the administration of a fair election in an impartial manner. We are also an excellent resource for candidates and voters to find out the information they need in order to run for office or to exercise their right to vote.

This portion of the Township’s website will have continuous updates and expansions as we draw closer to Election Day. The main function of the municipality is to ensure that the following electoral processes are done with the greatest integrity:

- Municipal Elections
- School Board Trustees

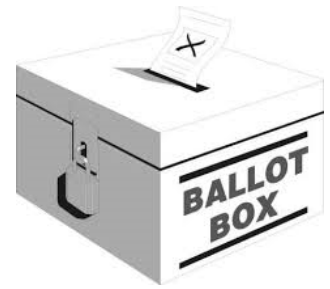
The highest priority for a Municipal Clerk in the course of an election is to carry out their duties in accordance with the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, and within these established set of election principles:

- ✓ The secrecy and confidentiality of individual votes is paramount;
- ✓ The election will be fair and non-biased;
- ✓ The election will be accessible to all eligible voters;
- ✓ The integrity of the process will be maintained throughout the election;
- ✓ There will be a certainty that the results of the election reflect the votes cast; and
- ✓ Voters and candidates will be treated fairly and consistently within the municipality.

All election personnel shall maintain the integrity and confidentiality of the election process throughout the election period.

**Community Service
Can be Rewarding !**

CALLING ALL CANDIDATES !!



During the 2018 Election, Severn residents and property owners will vote for the following offices:

- 1 Mayor
- 1 Deputy Mayor
- 5 Councillors (1 per ward)
- School Board Trustees:
 - Member - English Language Public District Board #17**
 - Member - English Language Separate District Board #44**
 - Member - French Language Public District Board #58**
 - Member - French Language Separate District Board #64**

The 2018 voting method approved by Council is by regular ballot and tabulators. Voting is a fundamental right of our democracy. When you vote, you are selecting representatives who will make laws and policies that determine how our Township functions and how we live together.

Municipal government is involved in many aspects of our daily lives – from fixing roads, providing water, monitoring future development and providing fire and protection services. Visit the Township’s website further to learn about the issues facing the Township of Severn and the municipality’s many areas of responsibilities.

Nomination Form – Candidates

If you plan to seek office in the 2018 Municipal Elections for Municipal Council, you must file a Nomination Form with the Municipal Clerk before soliciting or accepting contributions for election purposes or incurring expenses on campaign activities.

Nomination Forms are available from the Clerk’s Office, online at www.townshipofsevern.com or by calling (705) 325-2315 – Ext. 232.

Nominations may be filed commencing on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, in person or by an agent in the Office of the Clerk between the hours 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding holidays, prior to Nomination Day, and between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Nomination Day, in the year of the regular election.

The deadline to submit a Nomination Form to the Clerk is Friday, July 27, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Election Day is Monday, October 22, 2018.

THE NOMINATION IS REQUIRED TO:

- be on the prescribed form available at the Clerk's Office and completed in full;
- be endorsed by at least 25 persons who are eligible to vote within the municipality;
- be accompanied by a declaration of qualification on the prescribed form, signed by the person being nominated;
- be accompanied by a deposit in the amount of \$200.00 for election sign policies; and
- be accompanied by the prescribed nomination filing fee of \$200.00 for Mayor or \$100.00 for Deputy Mayor or Councillor paid in cash, certified cheque or money order.

You are also required to bring photo ID with you which will be copied by the Clerk for your file.