

#### **Nomination Information**

To run for the office of Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Councillor or School Board Trustee candidates must file a prescribed Nomination Paper. Candidates cannot raise or spend any money on their campaign until this nomination paper is filed.

Nomination papers must be filed by the candidate, in person, or by an agent acting on the candidate's behalf at:

The Township of Whitewater Region Administrative Office 44 Main Street Cobden On KOJ 1KO

Nomination papers must be filed during regular office hours. The nomination paper may not be faxed, mailed or emailed, as an original signature is required. If an agent of the candidate is filing the nomination paper, the form must be fully completed by the candidate prior to filing. The candidate or the agent filing the nomination paper will be required to present proof of identity.

Nomination papers and candidate packages will be available online and can be picked up at 44 Main

Street Cobden On KOJ 1KO beginning Tuesday, May 2, 2022, at 9:00 am.

Candidates can begin filing their nomination papers on Tuesday, May 2, 2022, at 9:00 am and can be submitted up until Friday, August 19, at 2 pm.

### Things needed for filing:

- A completed copy of the nomination paper
- A declaration of qualification from each of the people endorsing the nomination (only applicable to candidates running for council)
- A declaration of qualification signed by the candidate
- Filing fee
- Proof of identity

**Note:** Nomination papers are public documents and are available for inspection in the Clerk's Office.

# **Endorsement of nominations for Council**

The nomination paper of a candidate running for the office of Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Councillor must be submitted with a declaration of qualification from each of the eligible electors endorsing their nomination.

At least 25 people must endorse a candidate's nomination for the office of Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Councillor. Those endorsing a nomination must be eligible to vote as of the day he or she signs the prescribed declaration of qualifications form.



## **Filing Fees**

Candidates must pay a filing fee when they submit their nomination papers. These fees must be paid at the time of filing by cash, debit, credit card, certified cheque or money order.

The filing fee for a candidate running for Mayor is \$200.

The filing fee for a candidate running for Deputy Mayor, Councillor or School Board Trustee is \$100. Nomination filing fees are refundable if the candidate's financial statement and auditor's report are filed on or before Friday, March 31, 2022, at 2 pm.

### Withdrawal of Nomination

A candidate who wishes to withdraw their nomination must notify the Clerk in writing before 2 p.m. on Friday, August 19, 2022. The candidate must file their withdrawal or statement in person and may be required to provide identification. The candidate will still be required to submit a financial statement (due no later than Friday, March 31, 2022, at 2 p.m.) covering all financial transactions up to the time of the withdrawal.

# **Changing Office**

If, after filing a nomination for an office on Council or any of the school boards, you wish to run for a different office, you must:

- file the Withdrawal of Nomination for the old office;
- at the same time, file a Nomination Paper for the new office;
- if applicable, pay the difference in the nomination filing fee;
- for mayor or council candidates, you are not required to submit additional declaration of endorsements the ones you submitted for the first office is transferred to the second office.