



TOWN OF GODERICH 2018 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

VOTE BY INTERNET OR TELEPHONE OCTOBER 11 – 22, 2018

INFORMATION FOR VOTERS

The Town of Goderich Municipal Election in October will be convenient and accessible to all eligible voters. Electors will be voting by **Internet and Telephone only**. There will not be any polling locations and there will not be any paper ballots for the 2018 Municipal Election. Internet and Telephone Voting will be available from October 11th at 9:00 a.m. to October 22nd at 8:00 p.m.

Voter Help Centre Is Located At:

- Town Hall, 57 West Street, Goderich
- Or by telephone at 519-524-8344
- Or by email vote@goderich.ca

The hours of the Voter Help Centre are as follows:

October 11th to 22nd, 2018, Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,
Sunday, October 14th 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 17th 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 20th 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
On Election Day: Monday, October 22nd 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

What If I Require Assistance With Voting Or Have Questions?

During the voting period of October 11th to 22nd, if access to a telephone or the internet is unavailable, or electors require assistance with voting or have questions, voters can be assisted in a complete and secure manner through the **Voter Help Centre (Goderich Town Hall)**.

Assistance is available at the **Voting Help Centre (Goderich Town Hall)** for

- Questions regarding the election;
- Checking the Voters' List to ensure that you are registered to vote;
- Receiving or replacing a personal identification number (PIN); or
- Assistance with voting

All electors voting at the Help Centre may vote with the assistance of a "support person"; however, they shall be required to take an oath prior to providing assistance.

Can I Vote?

On voting day, you must:

- Be 18 years of age;
- Be a Canadian citizen; and
- Be a resident of the Town of Goderich, an owner or tenant of property in the Town of Goderich; **OR**
- The spouse of such an owner or tenant; and
- Not be prohibited from voting under subsection 17(3) of the Municipal Elections Act 1996, or otherwise by law.
- Be on the Voter's List

Am I On The Voters' List?

In order to vote, you must be on the Voters' List in order to be mailed your Voter Instruction Letter and Personal Identification Number (PIN). Checking the Voters' List is an important step to ensure that your name and address are listed correctly. **Do not assume you are on the Voters' List – check to be sure.**

To find out if you are on the Voters' List of Electors and are registered to vote, please:

- Visit Town Hall at 57 West Street; Goderich
- Call Town Hall at 519-524-8344; or
- E-mail vote@goderich.ca

What Do I Need To Be Able To Vote?

- Be on the Voters' List;
- On or about October 1, 2018 you will be mailed your Voter Instruction Letter, which includes your PIN, internet voting website address and 1-866 phone number to use for telephone voting, voting assistance, and other election information;
- You will require access to the internet or a telephone (available at the Voter Help Centre (Town Hall) if required); and
- If by October 10th you have not received a Voter Instruction Letter (and a PIN), contact the Voter Help Centre at Town Hall or call 519-524-8344

How Easy Is It To Vote By Internet Or Phone?

HOW CAN I VOTE?

VOTE USING THE INTERNET OR PHONE

- Using your PIN (provided on your voter instruction letter) and your Date of Birth, vote anytime from October 11, 2018 starting at 9:00 a.m. until October 22, 2018 ending at 8:00 p.m.
- To vote online, go to <https://goderich.simplyvoting.com/> and follow the instructions.
- To vote by telephone, call the voting phone number at **1-866-420-3118** and follow the instructions.
- Please be aware that if you should be interrupted while voting electronically, you may re-access the voting system to complete your voting.
- By casting a ballot or by entering the electronic voting system and entering your assigned PIN number and Date of Birth, you are legally **DECLARING THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE** in this election.

For a demonstration, please contact Town Hall at 519-524-8344 or visit www.goderich.ca (Municipal Elections).

A public open house will be held at Town Hall, 57 West Street on Monday September 17, 2018 from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm to answer any questions you may have.

Emergency Procedures:

On declaring an emergency, the Clerk shall make such arrangements as he or she considers advisable for the conduct of the election.

The arrangements made by the Clerk, if they are consistent with the principles of this Act, prevail over anything in the Act and the regulations made under it.

The emergency continues until the Clerk declares it has ended.

It shall be the policy that in the event of an emergency, as determined by the Clerk, that the Clerk shall to the best of their ability, advertise such emergency.

If required, the Clerk may consider alternate options for reporting results, notification of electors, alternate facilities, voting period and or election officials.

Don't wait in line ups! No need to drive! Out of town or out of the Country on vacation or a business trip? Remember take your Voter Instruction Letter, with your PIN, and vote by internet or phone, anywhere in the world, at any time, day or night. Don't let distance or time hold you back!

*This is your community – Vote!
For your Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors & School Board Trustees*

For further information on the Municipal Election, please visit the Town's website at www.goderich.ca or contact:

Lori Rounds, Deputy Returning Officer
519-524-8344 ext 213
vote@goderich.ca

Or

Janice Hallahan, Clerk/Returning Officer
519-524-8344 ext 211
jhallahan@goderich.ca