

The Nomination Process for the 2026 Municipal Election



This notice is for anyone proposing to be a candidate in the Municipal Election on October 26, 2026. Section 33(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act* provides that a person may be nominated for an office by filing a nomination with the Returning Officer in the Municipal Clerk's Office in person or by an agent. The nomination form shall be in the prescribed Form 1 (Nomination Paper); the nomination fee is to be paid in cash or by debit (where available) or certified cheque or money order; the fee is \$100 for Councillors & all other offices and \$200.00 for Head of Council/Mayor. Facsimile signatures are not acceptable.

The nomination form for the following offices may be filed during normal office hours **beginning Friday, May 1, 2026 up to Thursday, August 20, 2026, and on Nomination Day, Friday, August 21, 2026 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.** For the City of Thunder Bay, nominations will be received by appointment, only. Walk-in appointments are not guaranteed. To book an appointment visit www.thunderbay.ca/election or call (807) 625-2230.

CITY OF THUNDER BAY - Krista Power, City Clerk & Returning Officer	807-625-2230
Mayor	(1 to be elected)
Councillor At Large	(5 to be elected)
Ward Councillor	(1 to be elected from each of the 7 Wards)
MUNICIPALITY OF OLIVER PAIPOONGE – Wayne Hanchard, CAO/Clerk & Returning Officer	807-935-2613
Mayor	(1 to be elected)
Councillor At Large	(4 to be elected)
MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING – Erika Kromm, Clerk-Treasurer & Returning Officer	807-474-5331
Mayor	(1 to be elected)
Councillor At Large	(1 to be elected)
Ward Councillor	(1 to be elected from each of the 5 Wards)
MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH - Kerry Bellamy, Clerk & Returning Officer	807-683-4545
Mayor	(1 to be elected)
Councillors	(3 to be elected – MacGregor Ward)
Councillor	(1 to be elected – McTavish Ward)
TOWNSHIP OF GILLIES - Laura Bruni, Clerk-Treasurer & Returning Officer	807-475-3185 ext. 3
Reeve	(1 to be elected)
Councillors	(4 to be elected)
TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR - Lorna Buob, Clerk-Treasurer & Returning Officer	807-476-1451
Mayor	(1 to be elected)
Councillors	(4 to be elected)
TOWNSHIP OF CONMEE - Karen Paisley, Clerk & Returning Officer	807-475-5229
Mayor	(1 to be elected)
Councillors	(4 to be elected)

The term of office is November 15, 2026 to November 14, 2030.

THE NOMINATION PROCESS FOR THE 2026 DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Candidates may be nominated for the Office of Trustee by filing the prescribed form in the Office of the Returning Officer, in person or by an agent, at any time during normal office hours beginning Friday, May 1, 2026 up to Thursday, August 20, 2026, and on Nomination Day, Friday, August 21, 2026 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. For the City of Thunder Bay, nominations will be received by appointment, only. Walk-in appointments are not guaranteed. To book an appointment visit www.thunderbay.ca/election or call (807) 625-2230.

The Nomination form shall be in the prescribed Form 1 (Nomination Paper); the \$100 nomination fee is to be paid in cash or by debit (where available) or certified cheque or money order. Facsimile signatures are not acceptable.

Nominations FOR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL BOARDS to be filed with:

Returning Officer: Krista Power
Office of the City Clerk, City Hall
500 Donald Street East
Thunder Bay, ON P7E 5V3

LE PROCESSUS DE MISE EN CANDIDATURE POUR LES ÉLECTIONS DE CONSEIL SCOLAIRE DE DISTRICT 2026

On peut présenter des candidatures à un poste de conseiller scolaire en déposant les documents exigés au bureau du directeur du scrutin, en personne ou par l'entremise d'un agent, à tout temps pendant les heures normales de bureau, commençant le vendredi 1 mai 2026 jusqu'à jeudi 20 août 2026 et le jour de la déclaration de candidature, soit le vendredi 21 août 2026 entre 9h et 14h. Le mandat des conseillers scolaires s'échelonne du 15 novembre 2026 au 14 novembre 2030. Pour la ville de Thunder Bay, les candidatures seront reçues uniquement sur rendez-vous. Les rendez-vous sans rendez-vous ne sont pas garantis. Pour prendre rendez-vous, visitez www.thunderbay.ca/election ou composez le 807-625-2230.

Le formulaire de mise en candidature est le formulaire I (déclaration de candidature). Il faut payer les frais de dépôt de 100 \$ en espèces, par débit (où disponible), par chèque certifié ou mandat-poste. Les signatures par télécopie ne sont pas acceptées.

Les candidatures **pour tous les conseils scolaires suivants doivent être** déposées auprès de :

Returning Officer: Krista Power
Office of the City Clerk, City Hall
500 Donald Street East

SCHOOL BOARD	TO BE ELECTED
ENGLISH Language PUBLIC Trustee for the Thunder Bay Lakehead District School Board	EIGHT(8) TRUSTEES

The term of office is November 15, 2026 to November 14, 2030.

Eight (8) Trustees to be elected at large by the electors of the City of Thunder Bay, the Municipalities of Oliver Paipooonge, Neebing and Shuniah, Townships of Gillies, O'Connor and Conmee, and Lakehead District Locality (Unorganized) within the geographic boundaries of the Lakehead District School Board.

SCHOOL BOARD	TO BE ELECTED
ENGLISH Language SEPARATE Trustee for the Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board	SIX (6) TRUSTEES

The term of office is November 15, 2026 to November 14, 2030.

Six (6) Trustees to be elected at large by the electors of the City of Thunder Bay, Municipalities of Oliver Paipooonge, Neebing and Shuniah, Townships of Gillies, O'Connor and Conmee, and Lakehead District Locality (Unorganized) within the geographic boundaries of the Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board.

SCHOOL BOARD	TO BE ELECTED
FRENCH Language SEPARATE Trustee for the Conseil scolaire de district catholique des Aurores boréales	FIVE (5) TRUSTEES
Conseiller ou conseillère d'écoles CATHOLIQUES de langue FRANÇAISE pour le Conseil scolaire de district catholique des Aurores boréales	CINQ (5) CONSEILLERS

The term of office is November 15, 2026 to November 14, 2030.

Le mandat des conseillers scolaires s'échelonne du 15 novembre 2026 au 14 novembre 2030.

Five (5) Trustees to be elected at large by the electors of the City of Thunder Bay, Municipalities of Oliver Paipooonge, Neebing and Shuniah, Townships of Nipigon, Red Rock, Dorion, Gillies, O'Connor and Conmee, and Lakehead Locality (Unorganized) within the geographic boundaries of the Conseil scolaire de district catholique des Aurores boréales.

Cinq (5) conseillers ou conseillères seront élus par l'ensemble des électeurs et électrices de la ville de Thunder Bay, des municipalités d'Oliver Paipooonge, Neebing et Shuniah, des cantons de Nipigon, Red Rock, Dorion, Gillies, O'Connor et Conmee, et des territoires non érigés en municipalité à l'intérieur des limites géographiques du Conseil scolaire de district catholique des Aurores boréales.

SCHOOL BOARD	TO BE ELECTED
FRENCH Language PUBLIC Trustee for the Conseil scolaire public du Grand Nord de l'Ontario	ONE (1) TRUSTEE
Conseiller ou conseillère PUBLIQUE de langue FRANÇAISE pour le Conseil scolaire public du Grand Nord de l'Ontario	UN (1) CONSEILLER

The term of office is November 15, 2026 to November 14, 2030.

Le mandat des conseillers scolaires s'échelonne du 15 novembre 2026 au 14 novembre 2030.

One (1) Trustee to be elected at large by the electors of Greenstone, Alberton, Atikokan, Chapple, Conmee, Dawson, Dryden, Ear Falls, Emo, Fort Frances, Fort Frances Rainy River Locality, Gillies, Ignace, Kenora, Kenora Locality, Keewatin-Patricia DSB Locality, Lake of the Woods, Lakehead DSB Locality, Lavallee, Machin, Morley, Neebing, O'Connor, Oliver Paipooonge, Pickel Lake, Rainy River, Red Lake, Shuniah, Sioux Lookout, Sioux Narrows, and Thunder Bay.

Un (1) conseiller ou une conseillère à être élu par l'ensemble des électeurs et des électrices de Greenstone, Alberton, Atikokan, Chapple, Conmee, Dawson, Dryden, Ear Falls, Emo, Fort Frances, Fort Frances Rainy River Locality, Gillies, Ignace, Kenora, Kenora Locality, Keewatin-Patricia DSB Locality, Lake of the Woods, Lakehead DSB Locality, Lavallee, Machin, Morley, Neebing, O'Connor, Oliver Paipooonge, Pickel Lake, Rainy River, Red Lake, Shuniah, Sioux Lookout, Sioux Narrows, and Thunder Bay.