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THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAGNETAWAN

BY-LAW NO. 2017 - 17

Being a By-law to authorize 'Vote by Mail' for Municipal Elections

WHEREAS Section 42 of the Municipal Elections Act, S.O. 1996 provides that a municipal Council may pass a by-law authorizing electors to use an alternate voting method that does not require electors to attend at a voting place in order to vote.

AND WHEREAS Council deems it appropriate and in the public interest to conduct municipal elections using vote by mail.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Magnetawan hereby enacts a by-law as follows:

- 1. THAT the alternate voting method of 'Vote by Mail' is hereby authorized for municipal elections in the Municipality of Magnetawan.
- 2. THAT a Ballot Return Station shall be established at the Municipal Office on the dates and times to be designated in the procedures and rules for the vote by mail municipal election.
- 3. THAT Ballot Returning Station means a voting place under the supervision of a Deputy Returning Officer where electors who prefer to deliver or have delivered their completed ballots, may deposit their ballots directly into the care of the Municipal Clerk rather than forwarding their ballots by mail.
- **4. THAT** every elector has the responsibility of completing the ballots in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act 1996, as amended, and the procedures authorized by this By-Law and returning the completed ballots to the Municipal Clerk by mail or by deposit at the Ballot Return Station on or before 8:00 p.m. on Voting Day.
- **5. THAT** no proxy voting provisions or advance voting provisions other than the Ballot Return Station are applicable at the Municipal Elections conducted in accordance with this By-law.
- 6. THAT the Municipal Clerk shall prepare procedures and rules for the vote by mail municipal election and provide these procedures and rules to each candidate when their nomination is filed.
- 7. THAT any person, corporation or trade union guilty of corrupt practices or contravening the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act 1996 of the procedures and rules established in paragraph 6 of this by-law may be prosecuted pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Elections Act 1996, Sections 89 to 94, inclusive.
- 8. THAT this By-Law shall take effect on the date of passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD TIME, passed, signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed hereto, this 22nd day of March, 2017

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAGNETAWAN

Mayor

Council MTG of Mar 22/17

Agenda item # 8.1.

Clerk-Administrator