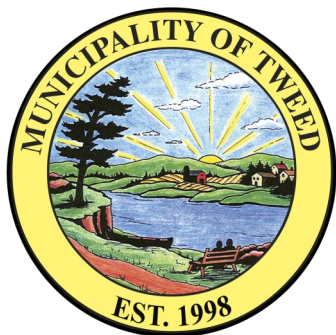


Council Communiqué



Voting period is
October 17-24, 2022



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2022 Is A Municipal Election Year

The Municipality of Tweed will be joining municipalities across the province this fall as we prepare for the 2022 Municipal Election.

Voters will be electing their municipal representatives for the next four years.

How do I know if my name is on the Voters' List?

Visit voterlookup.ca or call the staff in the Municipal Office to determine if you are on the Voters' List. Be ready to provide your full name, birth date and civic address.

How do I add my name to the Voters' List?

Go to the **Municipal Election** page at www.tweed.ca. There is a form for this purpose on the webpage, which can also be picked up at the Municipal Office. We require original signatures

on the form so it is necessary that it be dropped off or mailed to the Municipal Office when completed along with proper identification.

How will I be able to Vote?

Internet/telephone voting will be available for this election. The voting period for the Municipality of Tweed for internet/telephone voting will run from Monday, October 17, 2022 to Monday, October 24, 2022 and voters will be able to vote using the PIN they receive in their Voter Instruction Letter, and their birthdate.

A Help Center will be available at the Municipal Office to assist voters. If you require assistance you will need to bring your Voter Instruction Letter with you to the Help Center.

When will I receive my Voter Instruction Letter?

The Voter letter will be mailed to all names on the Voters' List by October 11,

2022.

What if I don't get one?

If you do not get a Voter letter in the mail you can check at the Municipal Office. It may have been returned to us because of an incorrect mailing address or you may need to be added to the Voters' List.

Where do I get information on the municipal election?

The municipality's website (www.tweed.ca) is a great place to start. Our office is open Monday to Friday (excluding holidays) from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. & staff can assist you as required. More information can be obtained on the **Municipal Elections** page of the provincial government website: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/municipal-elections>

How do I complete my Voting successfully?

Simply follow the step-by-step instructions in your letter & you will have no problem making sure that your vote counts. Instructions are also provided in this newsletter for your convenience.

Voting Using Internet Voting—E-Vote 2022

Your **Voter Instruction Letter** will include a unique PIN number.

The system used for the 2022 municipal election online is called "Intelivote Systems Inc.". The system has been used in many municipal elections across

the province, including in Tweed in 2018.

To vote using the online or telephone method please follow the voter instruction letter that is provided in the mail. This step-by-step guide will help you through the process.

We also encourage residents and property owners to visit our Municipal Election page and view the frequently asked questions section about e-voting. In this document you will find 21 "What If" scenarios which will help to answer any

questions you may have about voting online in this election. You will also find an instructional video that demonstrates both voting processes.

Don't Forget: A Help Center is available at the Municipal Office at 255 Metcalf St. to help assist voters with using the e-vote system if required.

Community Development

Let's Move Municipality of Tweed, in partnership with Hydro One, is pleased to offer free recreational programming for all residents of all ages. Be sure to visit our calendar of events page for upcoming programming.

www.tweed.ca

Tweed Oil Kings season tickets are now on sale. The cost is \$90 for adults/ \$45 ages 6-18 / children 5 and under free. Last season the team had a tremendous year and we can't wait to repeat it this season.

Go Oil Kings!

This summer we have seen such a great increase in participation with all the amazing events taking place in the community. Thank you to all the event organizers for your hard work and dedication. Make sure you mark your calendars for the Taste of Tweed taking place on Sunday, September 11th. Tickets can be purchased at the Municipal office for \$20.

Pre-Authorized / Online Payments

The Municipality allows residents to sign up for pre-authorized monthly or due date payments for taxes and water and sewer billings.

Contact the Municipal Office for details on how to enroll in pre-authorized payments being taken directly from your bank account.

You will be required to fill out a pre-authorized payment form and provide

Municipal staff with a void cheque or bank statement.

For payments online look for 'Tweed, Municipality of' in your financial institution's list of payees. Each bank lists the payee differently. If you have trouble finding ours we suggest you search just "Tweed".

We also accept e-transfers to info@tweed.ca. If paying by e-transfer please include your roll number or account

number in the subject line. If you are paying for a fire permit or another municipal product or licence please indicate it in the subject line.

An online payment system through the Municipal website will launch in late fall 2022 to provide an additional payment method.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR PAID TAX BILL for income tax purposes. There is a fee to re-print tax bills or receipts.

Are You Ready For An Emergency?



The best way to ensure your family is ready for an emergency is to be prepared and make sure everyone knows what to do before, during and after an emergency.

1. Family members should make a plan which identifies the hazards in your home. It is also important to keep a list of emergency phone numbers

handy. Make sure your family designates another family member who lives a distance away to be your contact in case of an emergency.

2. Creating a 72-Hour Kit will help ensure that your family is ready to evacuate without delay. Items to consider including in your kit are: a change of clothes, copies of ID, toiletries, cash, essential medications, food and water, phone numbers, first aid kit and flashlights with spare batteries.

Tools and Equipment: Pocket knife, flashlight, lantern, candles, windproof/waterproof matches, shovel, hatchet, axe, sewing kit,

nylon rope & duct tape, cooking utensils, radio & batteries / crank radio, first aid kit, pen/pencil & writing pad, whistle, hand sanitizer, water resistant duffel or tote.

3. Staying informed about what is going on around you and the surrounding area during an emergency is also vitally important. You can subscribe to email alerts on the Emergency Management Ontario website, or stay up-to-date with radio news alerts during an emergency. Keep a battery-operated or crank radio in your 72-Hour Kit. You can access the Hastings County Emergency Preparedness Guide on our website: tweed.ca or pick up a copy at the Municipal Office.

Important Reminder– Burning of Garbage

Fire Chief Derrick Little would like to remind all residents that as we transition to fall, to use caution while open air burning.

We would also like to highlight an ongoing issue in the Municipality which is the burning of garbage. Burning waste is not only dangerous in terms of risk for an out of control fire, but also a risk to public health. Burning of garbage produces toxic chemicals that are not meant to be inhaled by humans or animals. Out of respect for your neighbours and other community members please **do not burn your**

garbage. If you suspect someone is burning garbage, please call 613-921-8152.

Garbage and recycle items are to go into our Municipal Waste Site / Recycling Depot at 831 Marbank Road.

Please remember to obtain your fire permit online. If you require assistance obtaining your permit online please come to the Municipal Office. Burning is a privilege and all rules and regulations must be followed or your permit will be revoked.