

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TEMAGAMI

BY-LAW NO. 10-915

Being a by-law to authorize voting by mail for the 2010 Municipal Election and the entering into of an agreement with Canada Post to provide Vote By Mail services.

WHEREAS Section 42 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* provides that a municipal council may pass a by-law authorizing an alternative voting method;

AND WHEREAS council deems it appropriate and in the public interest to conduct the 2010 Municipal Election using a vote by mail method and to contract with Canada Post to provide election services;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TEMAGAMI HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The alternative voting method of "Vote by Mail" is hereby authorized for the Municipal Election to be held in 2010.
2. A Vote by Mail Kit will be provided to every person who qualifies to be an elector. The Kit will either be mailed or directly provided to each qualified elector.
3. The Vote by Mail Kit shall consist of:
 - A voting instruction sheet
 - A composite ballot
 - An inner ballot envelope
 - A security slip
 - An outer return envelope
 - Such other necessary material as the Municipal Clerk determines
4. A Ballot Return Station shall be established at the Municipal Administrative Centre on the following dates and times:
 - (a) Monday, October 18, 2010 to Friday, October 22, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - (b) Monday, October 25, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
5. Ballot Return 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.
6. Every elector has the responsibility of completing the ballots in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, and the procedures authorized by this By-law and returning the completed ballots to the Municipal Clerk by mail or by deposit at a Ballot Return Station on or before 8:00 p.m. on Voting Day.

7. No proxy voting provisions or advance voting provisions other than Ballot Return Stations are applicable at Municipal Elections conducted in accordance with this by-law.
8. The Municipal Clerk shall prepare procedures and rules for the vote by mail municipal election and provide these procedures and rules to each candidate no later than June 1, 2010.
9. Any person, corporation or trade union guilty of corrupt practices or contravening the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* or the procedures and rules as established in paragraph 8 of this by-law may be prosecuted pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.
10. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are herewith authorized to sign the necessary agreement with Canada Post to provide Vote By Mail services.
11. Any previous by-laws, or parts thereof, that provide for alternate voting methods are hereby repealed.
12. This By-law shall take effect on the date of final passing thereof.

TAKEN AS READ a first time this 26th day of April 2010.

READ a second and third time and finally passed this 26th day of April 2010.

MAYOR

CAO/Clerk