

TOWN OF SEDGEWICK
BYLAW NO. 531/17

BEING A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF SEDGEWICK

WHEREAS it is the desire of Council to establish certain election procedures;

AND WHEREAS to the *Local Authorities Election Act*, being *Chapter L-21, of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000*, and amendments thereto and the *Municipal Government Act*, being *Chapter M-26, of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000* and amendments thereto provides authority to the Town to regulate such matters.

NOW THEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the Town of Sedgewick, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, **HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. TITLE:

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Election Bylaw."

2. DEFINITIONS:

2.1 In this Bylaw:

- a. 'Act' means the *Local Authorities Election Act*, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter L-21 as amended from time to time;
- b. 'Advance Vote' means a vote taken in advance of Election Day;
- c. 'Council' means the municipal council of the Town of Sedgewick in the Province of Alberta;
- d. 'Elector' means a person eligible to vote at an election;
- e. 'Election' means a general election, by-election or vote on a bylaw of question;
- f. 'Election Day' means the date fixed for voting at an election;
- g. 'Local Jurisdiction' means a municipality or a district or a division as defined in the *School Act*, as the case may be;
- h. 'Nomination Day' means the day set 4 weeks before Election Day to receive nominations of candidates;
- i. 'Nomination Form' means the form as prescribed under the *Local Authorities Election Forms Regulation 378/2003*;
- j. 'Returning Officer' means a person appointed under the *Local Authorities Election Act, 2000, Chapter L-21* as amended from time to time and includes a person acting in the returning officer's place;
- k. 'Voter' has the same meaning as 'elector' under the *Local Authorities Election Act*;
- l. 'Voting Station' means the place where an elector votes.

3. NOMINATION HOURS:

3.1 The Returning Officer will receive nominations of candidates for the Town of Sedgewick elections at the Town of Sedgewick municipal office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Nomination Day and on any subsequent day to which the time for receipt of nominations is adjourned.

4. NOMINATIONS:

4.1 Pursuant to section 27(2) of the *Local Elections Authority Act*, ten (10) electors are required to sign the Nomination of a candidate for office.

5. ADVANCE VOTING:

5.1 The holding of an Advance Vote on any Vote held in an Election for the Local Jurisdiction is hereby authorized.

5.2 In accordance with the Act the Returning Officer will determine the locations, days and hours when an Advance Vote will be held.

6. VOTING HOURS ON ELECTION DAY:

6.1 The Voting Stations in the Town of Sedgewick shall be open from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm on Election Day.

7. AUTHORIZED ELECTOR IDENTIFICATION:

7.1 As per Section 53 of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, voter identification will be required for local authority elections where a list of electors is not prepared. The identification will consist of government issued identification containing the elector’s photograph, current address and name. This includes an Operator’s License (Driver’s) or an Alberta Identification Card.

7.2 If they are unable to produce government issued identification, they must produce two (2) pieces of identification. Both pieces of identification must establish the elector’s name. One piece must establish the elector’s current address.

8. SEVERABILITY:

8.1 If any term of this Bylaw is found to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by a court or tribunal having the jurisdiction to do so, that term is to be considered to have been severed from the rest of this bylaw, and the rest of the bylaw remains in force unaffected by that finding or by the severance of that term.

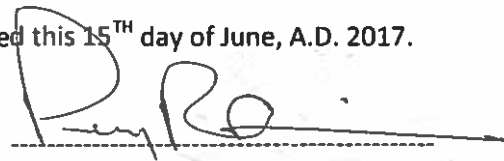
9. BYLAW ENACTMENT:

9.1 That this Bylaw shall take effect on the date of the third and final reading.

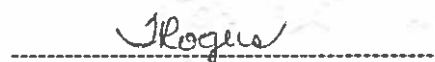
READ a first time this 15TH day of June A.D. 2017.

READ a second time this 15TH day of June, A.D. 2017.

READ a third time by unanimous consent and finally passed this 15TH day of June, A.D. 2017.



PERRY ROBINSON, MAYOR



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