

VILLAGE OF WASKATENAU 2025 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Village of Waskatenau next Municipal Election will take place on October 20, 2025.

Elections will be held for three (3) Councillor positions. The Chief Elected Official (otherwise known as the Mayor) is elected from amongst its members at the annual Organizational Meeting every October.

Important Dates

October 31, 2024	Campaign Period Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act in effect. Campaign period for 2025 Election begins. Candidates may submit their Notice of Intent to Run. Prospective candidates can submit their notice of intent from now until September 22, 2025. Candidates may raise funds for their election campaigns during the campaign period, after they submit a notice of intent and appear on the Registry of Candidates.
January 1 - September 22, 2025	Nomination Period To become a nominated candidate and appear on the ballot, a candidate must complete the nomination process and file all necessary forms and paperwork during the Nomination Period from January 1 to September 22, 2025.
September 22, 2025	Nomination Day All required nomination forms and paperwork must be submitted to Village of Waskatenau by 12:00 PM (Noon) on Monday, September 22, 2025.
October 20, 2025	Election Day Unofficial results will be released as they become available after the voting stations close.

The information on this page is subject to change and/or additional information may be posted as it becomes available. Please consult the <u>Local Authorities Election Act</u> (LAEA) and the <u>Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2024</u>, as a comprehensive guide to the election and the changes within. It is the candidate's responsibility to read and understand any election-related material. It is recommended

to consult relevant statutes, regulations and bylaw(s), or obtain legal advice for clarification.

Notice of Intent To Run

The Notice of Intent to Run process is **new** for the 2025 municipal election and **differs** from the Nomination process. Prospective candidates must file the Notice of Intent to Run form before accepting campaign contributions or incurring campaign expenses. Once the Returning Officer receives the completed form, the candidate's name will be added to the Register of Candidates.

All Candidates must submit a NOTICE OF INTENT TO RUN. Nomination forms cannot be submitted without a Notice of Intent to Run.

Notice of Intent to Run Form

Please note that submitting a Notice of Intent to Run does not replace the nomination process, which begins on January 1, 2025, nor does it mean a candidate is officially nominated.

A deposit is <u>not</u> required when filing a Notice of Intent to Run.

Candidates must follow the election finance rules set out in Part 5.1 of the Local Authorities Election Act and the Expense Limits Regulation. <u>Changes to the Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA) 2024 Campaign Financing.</u>

Should they be any changes to the information provided in the Notice of Intent to Run, the candidate must notify the Returning Officer within 48 hours.

Candidates must follow the election finance rules set out in Part 5.1 of the Local Authorities Election Act and the Expense Limits Regulation.

Register of Candidates

A Registry of Candidates will be retained at the Village of Waskatenau Office when a Notice of Intent to Run is received.

Village of Waskatenau is required by the **Local Authorities Election Act** to maintain a register listing all individuals who have filed a Notice of Intent to Run in the upcoming general election. The register will be publicly available at the Village Office.

Eligibility to Run for Office

Section 21(01) of the *Local Authorities Election Act* states:

- 1. A person may be nominated as a candidate in any election under this Act if on nomination day the person
 - (a) is eligible to vote in that election,

is at least 18 years of age,

is a Canadian citizen,

(b) has been a resident of the local jurisdiction and the division for the six (6) consecutive months immediately preceding nomination day, and

(c) is not otherwise ineligible or is disqualified under the *Local Authorities Election Act*

Nomination Information

Nominations for Councillors will be accepted by the Returning Officer from Thursday, January 2, 2025 (as Wednesday, January 1, 2025 is a statutory holiday), until 12:00 PM (MST) on Monday, September 22, 2025 at the Waskatenau Village Office at 5008 – 51 Street, Waskatenau, Alberta.