



VILLAGE OF SAYWARD
BYLAW NO. 486

**A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE DETERMINATION OF VARIOUS PROCEDURES FOR THE
CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS AND ASSENT VOTING**

WHEREAS under the *Local Government Act* Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied to the conduct of elections and assent voting;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to establish voting procedures and requirements under that authority;

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 69 of the *Local Government Act*, Council may, by bylaw, limit registration of electors to registration at the time of voting;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Sayward wishes to limit registration of electors to registration at the time of voting for all elections under Part 3 and 4 of the *Local Government Act*,

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Sayward, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

This bylaw may be cited as “**Election and Assent Voting Bylaw No. 486, 2022**”

2. ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES

An advance voting opportunity shall be held on the tenth (10th) day immediately preceding general voting day for each election or other voting in the Village of Sayward between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Council authorizes the Chief Election Officer to designate the voting place within the limits set out in the *Local Government Act*.

3. NUMBER OF SCRUTINEERS AT VOTING PLACES

As authorized under section 120(3) of the *Local Government Act*, the number of scrutineers for each candidate that may attend at an election is one scrutineer for each ballot box in use.

4. RESOLUTION OF TIE VOTE AFTER JUDICIAL RECOUNT

In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with section 151 of the *Local Government Act*.

5. VOTER REGISTRATION

- a) For the purposes of all elections and other voting under Part 3 and 4 of the *Local Government Act*, a person may register as an elector only at the time of voting.
- b) Registration as an elector under this bylaw is effective only for the voting or other matters on which the opinion of the electors is being sought at the time of voting.
- c) In accordance with Section 107(2) of the *Local Government Act* a second advance voting opportunity will not be held.

6. MAIL BALLOT VOTING

- a) As authorized under Section 110 of the *Local Government Act*, voting and elector registration may be done by mail.
- b) The following procedures for voting and elector registration must apply:
 - i. sufficient record will be kept by the Chief Election Officer so that challenges of the elector's right to vote may be made in accordance with the intent of Section 126 of the *Local Government Act*;
 - ii. a person exercising the right to vote by mail under the provisions of Section 110 may be challenged in accordance with, and on the grounds specified in Section 126 of the *Local Government Act*, until 4:00 p.m. two days before general voting day.
- c) The time limits in relation to voting by a mail ballot will be determined by the Chief Election Officer, including the time limit to apply for a mail ballot package.
- d) As provided in the *Local Government Act*, to be counted, a mail ballot must be received by the Chief Election Officer before the close of voting on general voting day.

7. SEVERABILITY

If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any portion of this bylaw invalid, then the invalid portion must be severed, and the remainder of the bylaw is deemed valid.

8. REPEAL

"General Local Government Election and Voting Day Registration Bylaw No. 409, 2014" is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Read a first time on the 17th day of May 2022.

Read a second time on the 17th day of May 2022.

Read a third time on the 17th day of May 2022.

Adopted on the 14th day of June 2022.

Certified a true copy of Bylaw
No. 486 this ____ day of
_____, _____

Chief Administrative Officer
Village of Sayward

Original signed by "M. Baker"
Mayor

Original signed by "L. Clark"
Corporate Officer