

# NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2026



## Message from Mayor Dave Yemm



As we begin 2026, I would like to take a moment to thank Council and staff for their dedication and hard work over the past year. Their commitment continues to make a positive difference in our community.

As Council prepares for the year ahead and the budget, we remain focused on reviewing priorities to ensure the Township is well positioned for 2026, while meeting our fiscal responsibilities. We will continue to seek and explore grant opportunities from all levels of government to help support priority projects and enhance services for our residents.

Winter has arrived, and with it the opening of the outdoor rink. It has been wonderful to see so many community members enjoying this space. This past fall, several enhancements were made to the rink, including new lighting, new boards, end netting, and a levelled surface to allow for more efficient ice making.

The Recreation Committee has many exciting events planned for the upcoming year, including Trivia Nights, Chair Yoga, the delicious homemade spaghetti dinner, and more. I look forward to seeing many of you at these events; please be sure to stop by and say hello. ~ Dave

## Property Tax Information

The interim tax bill is due on **March 31, 2026** and is based on half of the previous year's total taxes. The final tax bill is sent out in June and is due **September 30, 2026**. Property taxes are sent out in two installments each year.

Once the annual budget is adopted by Council in late spring, the tax rate is applied to your property assessment which determines your total property taxes for the year. Your assessment



is determined by MPAC, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation. The Township of Nipissing accepts payments online or telephone banking through your financial institution, cheque, in-person by cash or debt. Please note credit card payments and e-transfers are **not** accepted. There is a \$20 fee to process all foreign currency received. A fee of \$40 is charged for any returned cheques.

### Dog Tags

The 2026 dog tags are available for purchase at the Township Office.

\$10.00 for the first dog

\$20.00 for the second, third & fourth dog.

Fees increase after March 31st.



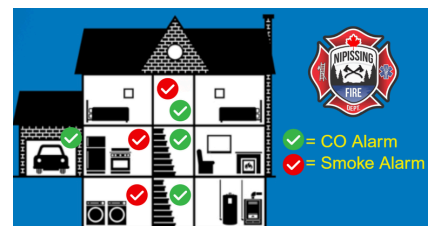
### Snow Removal

Residents are reminded that plowing, shoveling, or depositing snow onto any roadway poses a significant safety hazard to travelling motorists. Additionally, Section 181 of the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8 and By-Law 2021-63 prohibit individuals from pushing or pulling snow or ice onto roadways, to ensure safe travel for all. Please keep the roadways safe for all travelers.



For Roadway concerns on Highways 522, 534 & 654 contact Fowlers Highway Maintenance  
**1-888-353-0843**

**Ontario Fire Code changes take effect on January 1, 2026. CO Alarms are required on EVERY STOREY and by ALL SLEEPING AREAS if you have a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace, or attached garage.**



# 2026 Municipal Election



Municipal Election Day is:  
**Monday October 26, 2026**



The Offices for which persons may be nominated for are:

Mayor: One (1) position to be elected

Councillors: Four (4) positions to be elected

To run for the position of Mayor or Council you must be:

- A Canadian Citizen
- At least 18 years of age
- A resident of the Township of Nipissing or the owner or tenant of property in the Township of Nipissing (or the spouse of an owner or tenant)
- Eligible to vote in the Township of Nipissing (see list below)
- Not disqualified to hold office by any legislation

Nominations will be accepted May 1 to August 21, 2026.

No Person who proposes to be a candidate may solicit or accept contributions for elections purposes or incur campaign expenses until a nomination paper has been filed.

**The Term of Office Begins November 15, 2026.**

Nomination Forms and Candidate Guides will be available from the Township Office beginning May 1, 2026.



## Important Dates Nominations:

### Open:

Friday, May 1, 2026

### Close:

Friday, August 21, 2026 at  
**2:00 p.m.**

### Advance Vote# 1

Saturday, October 10, 2026  
45 Beatty St. Nipissing  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### Advance Vote# 2

Saturday, October 17, 2026  
4009 Hwy 522, Commanda  
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### Election Day

Monday, October 26, 2026  
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## Voting Information

**Get on the  
voters list  
today.**

**RegisterToVoteON.ca**  
1.866.242.3025

### Planning to Vote in the Municipal Election?

Visit **RegisterToVoteON.ca** for information on eligibility, registration and how to check, update or add your information to the voters list.

### Voter's Qualification:

A person is entitled to be an elector at an election held in a local municipality if, on voting day they,

- a) reside in the local municipality or is the owner or tenant of land there, or the spouse of such owner or tenant;
  - b) is a Canadian citizen;
  - c) is at least 18 years old; and
  - d) is not prohibited from voting under subsection (3) or otherwise by law.
- (Municipal Elections Act, 1996)

