



Important 2026 Election Information:

Do you have questions regarding the upcoming 2026 Municipal Election?

What is new in the 2026 Municipal Election?

The Township has eliminated the ward system so that all council positions are elected at large.

What does the elimination of the ward system mean for voters?

In previous elections, voters within the “Village Ward” were allowed to vote for the following positions:

Mayor
Deputy Mayor
Councillor – At Large
Councillor – Village Ward

Voters within the “Township Ward” were allowed to vote for the following positions:

Mayor
Deputy Mayor
Councillor – At Large
Councillor – Township Ward

The elimination of the ward system allows voters to elect all positions within the Township.

What positions can I vote for in the 2026 election?

In 2026, each eligible voter will be able to cast a ballot for the following positions:

Mayor – You may select **one (1)** for the position of Mayor

Deputy Mayor - You may select **one (1)** for the position of Deputy Mayor

Councillor - You may select **three (3)** for the position of Councillor

Who is running in the upcoming election?

Position of Mayor:

Jim MARTIN
David SHARPE

Position of Deputy Mayor:

Kathy CLEMENT
Hart WEBB



Position of Councillor:

Jerry DOHERTY
Beverly FLAGLER
Dan GRAHAM
Stephanie PARRAY
Bill SEABROOK
Krista THOMAS
Paul WOOD
Richard WOOD

What do I require to vote?

Every eligible elector on the Voters' List will be mailed, via Canada Post Lettermail, a sealed Voter Information Letter (VIL) which contains the voter's unique Personal Identification Number (PIN) to access the internet/telephone Voting System, as well as information on voting by paper Ballot.

If voting in person, proof of identification is required to be presented.

How and where can I vote?

Internet and Telephone Voting

For the 2026 election, the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen will be using internet and telephone voting allowing electors to vote from anywhere within the defined voting period.

For the 2026 election, internet and telephone voting will be open from October 13, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. to October 26, 2026, until 8 p.m.

In Person (paper ballot)

The Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen will also offer a traditional paper ballot voting option. The traditional, walk-in, paper-ballot, in-person voting option will only be available at the Municipal Office located at 1 Ottawa Street East in Havelock on **Voting Day (Monday, October 26, 2026) from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

How do I know if I am qualified to vote?

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) Are a Canadian citizen;
- c) Are at least 18 years old; and
- d) Are not prohibited by law from voting under subsection 17(3) of the Act or otherwise by law.



What if I require assistance?

A voter help centre is available at the Municipal Office to assist Electors with the voting process or other general election enquiries (i.e. internet/telephone).

Voter Help Centre Contact Information:

Location: Municipal Office – 1 Ottawa St E. Havelock, ON K0L 1Z0

Phone: 705-778-2308

Toll Free: 1-877-767-2795

Fax: 705-778-5248

Email: voterhelp@hbmtwp.ca