

2026 Municipal Election Information Package

Dear Candidate:

On behalf of the Township of South-West Oxford, I would like to thank you for your interest in filing nomination papers for the upcoming Municipal Election.

Enclosed, please find information intended to help answer some of the questions you may have regarding the 2026 Municipal Election. The following material is included in this package for reference purposes:

- ❖ Important Dates
- ❖ Nomination Paper – Form 1
- ❖ Endorsement of Nomination – Form 2
- ❖ Maximum Estimated Campaign Expenses
- ❖ Declaration of Proper Use of Voters' List
- ❖ Freedom of Information Release
- ❖ Notice of Nomination for Office
- ❖ Notice of Filing Requirements and Penalties
- ❖ Roles of Council / Head of Council
- ❖ Candidates Duties
- ❖ Nomination Paper Filing Requirements
- ❖ Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purposes Policy
- ❖ AMCTO Candidate's Guide to Accessible Elections
- ❖ Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing - 2026 Candidates Information Guide
- ❖ Township of South-West Oxford Election Sign By-law
- ❖ Township of South-West Oxford Ward Map

Please visit the Township of South-West Oxford's Election page on our website for further information associated with the 2026 Municipal Election:

<https://www.swox.org/township-services/elections/>

Please note, throughout the election process, candidates may receive supplementary releases of information from the Township of South-West Oxford.

If you have questions, or if you require the election information in an alternate format, please contact Denny Giles, Clerk at 519-485-0477 x.7027.



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Please note, this Candidate's Guide is not intended to cover all information required by a candidate in a municipal election; and is only intended as a guide to certain relevant information and legislation. Before you begin your campaign, you should familiarize yourself with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and its regulations for specific provisions and additional details.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Denny Giles'.

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2026 Municipal Election – Important Dates

May 1 st – August 20 th , 2026	Nominations may be filed with the Clerk during regular office hours (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) at the Township of South-West Oxford Municipal Office. An appointment is highly encouraged.
August 21 st , 2026	Nomination Day: Last day for filing (or withdrawal) of nomination papers between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
August 24 th , 2026	List of certified candidates to be elected and list of certified candidates elected by acclamation to be posted by 4:00 p.m.
August 26 th , 2026	Additional Nominations: If the number of nominations filed and certified for an office is less than the number required to be elected for that office, additional nominations may be filed between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
September 1 st – October 26 th , 2026	Revision period for the Voters' List.
October 13 th , 2026	Voting period for the 2026 Municipal Election opens at 8:30 a.m.
October 26 th , 2026	Voting period closes at 8:00 p.m.
October 27 th , 2026	Clerk to declare official election results.
November 17 th , 2026	Inaugural Council Meeting – new term of Council (2026-2030) begins.
December 31 st , 2026	Election campaign period ends.
March 30 th , 2027	Last day for candidates to file financial statements and auditors' reports by 2:00 p.m.