



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memo No.  
2021-M-056

**Memorandum to Council**

**Subject:** Notice of Motion #3

**Agenda Date:** April 15, 2021

**Attachments:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council implement a ward system for the purposes of Municipal Elections;

AND FURTHER THAT the wards be established as the Town (Urban) area, Lake Temagami Area and the Marten River Area;

AND FURTHER THAT one Councillor be elected from each ward with one additional Councillor and the Mayor elected 'At Large';

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs Staff to take the necessary steps to implement this change in place for the next Municipal Election.

**INFORMATION**

At the last regular session, Councillor Harding provided notice of his intent to bring forward a resolution concerning how members are elected to Council in the Municipality of Temagami by introducing a ward system. The timing for consideration of this motion is appropriate as, to be effective for the next municipal election, any changes in the number of members of Council need to be made by December 31, 2021 as the next municipal election is in 2022.

The number of Councillors contained in this notice of motion is based on the assumption that Council has adopted the resolution concerning the number of Council members to be elected. Regardless of this, Council does have the ability to create a ward system for the purposes of municipal elections for any number of members.

Section 222 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, provides a municipality with the authority to divide or redivide the municipality into wards or to dissolve the existing wards. This section also provides for an appeal period of 15 days after a by-law concerning changes in the ward system is considered by Council.

Should Council adopt this resolution, next steps would include working with MPAC to determine ward boundary recommendations and, once considered and approved by Council, the preparation of a By-Law for Council's consideration and then continued work with MPAC, or other relevant organizations charged with election responsibilities in conducting Municipal Elections.

**Respectfully Submitted:**  
**Craig Davidson**  
**Treasurer/Administrator**