

Expression of Interest Issued in Ignace to Replace Two Council Seats

"Council has now issued an Expression of Interest to local citizens"

May 17, 2023, Ignace ON. If you are a local ratepayer, dedicated to your community and public service and you interested in serving on Ignace Council, now is the time to step forward. Ignace Council recently released an Expression of Interest to local ratepayers to fill two vacant seats left open by the resignation of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor. If you are interested you have until noon hour on May 26, 2023, to be assigned your Expression of Interest Number and until noon hour on June 5, 2023, to fill in the on-line application and responses to the questionnaire.

On June 12, 2023, Council will hear presentations from those invited to do so, review them, deliberate, and make decisions. The two new Council members for the Township of Ignace will be sworn into office on **July 17, 2023**, at the Regular Meeting of Council.

The full details of the process can be found on the Township website.

Ignace Council, after review and professional advice on municipal matters, carefully and efficiently decided to pursue this process instead of conducting a costly by-election in the Township to replace the two vacancies. The process guidelines and advice that Council will be following came from professionals at E4m in the field and will involve the following steps:

- a. Developing a fair and transparent process that assists Council in selecting and appointing individuals to join them in governing the affairs of the Township
- b. Coordinating the collection of the Expression of Interests and
- c. Providing Council with an evaluation framework for final selection.

Those interested parties should email <u>humanresources@e4m.solutions</u> to receive their Expression of Interest number.

"We are very pleased that we are moving forward with this option and opportunity for local ratepayers who really want to be part of the team and part of the solutions for the Township of Ignace" stated Interim Mayor Kim Baigrie. "If you feel you have the qualifications, interest and time to dedicate to this very important role, we urge you to come forward and participate in this process", stated Councillors Taddeo and Defeo. "We need great people with great ideas who really want to see this community thrive forward in a positive way."

The two new vacant positions are expected to be filled by July 17, 2023.

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