

Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting

From: Terri Towstiuc, Clerk

Date: 2024-09-12

Subject: Declaration of Vacancy, Councillor Ward 3

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Terri Towstiuc, Clerk Re: Declaration of Vacancy, Councillor, Ward 3; And

Whereas former Ward 3 Councillor Michelle Navackas resigned from Council on August 15, 2024;

Therefore, pursuant to section 262 (1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Council of the Municipality of West Elgin does hereby declare the office of Councillor, Ward 3, to be vacant.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to declare the office of Councillor, Ward 3, vacant, following the resignation of former Councillor Michelle Navackas at the August 15th meeting of Council.

Background:

At the regular meeting of Council, August 15, 2024, Council received a formal two (2) week notice of resignation from former Ward 3 Councillor Michelle Navackas. In accordance with Section 262 (1) of the *Municipal Act* 2001, Council must declare the seat vacant at the next scheduled meeting.

Minutes of the August 15 meeting indicate "Councillor Navackas provided Council with a notice of resignation, effective August 29, 2024. Councillor Navackas advised that the position is no longer compatible with her work and home-life commitments. Council members thanked Councillor Navackas for her time served, and that concurred that she was a valued, contributing member of Council and will be deeply missed. Council will receive a Clerks report at the next meeting of Council, September 12, outlining details for the replacement of Ward 3 Councillor."

Financial Implications:

None.

Policies/Legislation:

The Municipal Act, 2001

Alignment with Strategic Priorities:

Infrastructure	Recreation	Economic	Community
Improvement		Development	Engagement
☐ To improve West Elgin's infrastructure to support long-term growth.	☐ To provide recreation and leisure activities to attract and retain residents.	☐ To ensure a strong economy that supports growth and maintains a lower cost of living.	☑ To enhance communication with residents.

Respectfully submitted by,

Terri Towstiuc Municipal Clerk