Schedule "A"



Council Vacancy Application Form

Please complete this application form and submit in person (no fax or email) with identification *no later than Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.*

Terri Towstiuc, Clerk Municipality of West Elgin 22413 Hoskins Line Rodney ON NOL 2C0

Council Vacancy Application Form
Name: Karen Booth
Qualifying Address:
9981 Graham Rd
West Lorne, ON
NOL 2PO
Email Address: K. 1. booth 52 gmail Com
Telephone Number: (519) 645 - 9411

Eligibility Requirements	Yes	No
Canadian Citizen	V	
Minimum of 18 years of Age	V	
Eligible elector in the Municipality of West Elgin (owner, tenant, spouse of such owner or tenant)	V	
Not prohibited from voting (as per <i>Municipal Elections Act</i>) or otherwise by law	V	

By signing this form, you consent to having your name publicly released.

Date

Signature

Oct. 21/2+

Schedule "B".



Declaration of Qualifications

I, Both, an application form, declare that I am presently, legally qualified if I were not a member of Legislative A or House of Commons of Canada, to be appointed and applied for appointment and I make this solemn declar to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effective and the same force and effective and the same force and effective applications.	ualified, or would be presently assembly of Ontario or the Senate d to hold the office to which I have ration conscientiously believing it		
DECLARED before me at the Municipality of West Elg	in, in the County of Elgin this		
22nd day of October, 20			
Signature of Applicant			
Signature of Commissioner of Oaths and Affidavits	Stamp		
Certificate			
I, the undersigned Clerk of the Municipality of West Elgin, do hereby certify that I have examined the application form of the aforesaid applicant filed with me and am satisfied that the nominee is qualified for appointment to municipal office.			
Signature of Clerk or designate	Date Certified		

Personal Information collected on this form is pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended and is collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information Act and Protection of Privacy Act* and will be used by the Clerk for the purpose of assessing whether a nominee is eligible for appointment to municipal office. This form will be attached to a Council Agenda and published to the Municipal website.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my interest in serving as a councillor for the Municipality of West Elgin. I have been a resident of Ward 3 since 2005, residing at 9981 Graham Rd, West Lorne. With my work and volunteer experience, I am confident in my ability to represent residents as well as effectively working with municipality staff as a council member.

I have extensive experience in managerial roles that have given me the skills required to be successful on council. This includes 10+ years of managing a team of 15 staff members at a specialty dental office. My role involved overseeing all aspects of the dental office including payroll, accounts receivable/payable, inventory, hiring, and resolving conflicts that arose within the business. At Erie Flooring in West Lorne, I worked in Accounts Payable, collaborating with department managers to ensure invoices were correct. Attention to detail in this role was crucial for the success of the business.

My husband and I are the proud parents of five children, ranging in age from 16 to 29. I am very aware of the importance of quality education, access to local healthcare, community recreational facilities, and economic prosperity for future generations. Our community will experience a vast amount of growth in the coming years, and I feel that my combination of management and volunteer experience can help our community to succeed during this exciting period.

I have 20 years of volunteering experience within our community and have fostered positive relationships and changes within each organization:

- I was on the board for the West Lorne Minor Hockey Association for 10 years in various roles including treasurer, webmaster, tournament coordinator, and sponsorship committee. I was responsible for creating a budget for the organization, enforcing the policies and procedures of WLMHA, and ensuring that our hockey program matched the requirements of the governing body Ontario Minor Hockey Association.
- For 7+ years I served on minor soccer boards across our community.
- I was a member of the West Lorne Optimists Road Race committee for 4 years.
- For Canada's 150th anniversary I organized a ball hockey tournament for the youth in collaboration with the Municipality of West Elgin and the West Lorne Optimists Club.
- I held the role of chair of St. Mary's Catholic School Parent Council for 4 years in which we applied for grants for the snack program, organized events, and fundraised for various student learning tools.

These roles highlight my personal attributes of high-level leadership skills, working as a team for the greater good, being detail oriented, able to prioritize tasks, and working under pressure. I feel that I am a good listener that can see both sides of the conversation, which leads to successful conflict resolution and moving forward in a positive manner. Community engagement and involvement is incredibly important to me.

If given the opportunity to serve as a councillor for Ward 3, I am dedicated to bringing a collaborative and open-minded approach towards addressing the diverse needs of this municipality.

