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Regional Director / School Trustee Elections and Referendum Question

Nominations have closed for candidates running in two Electoral Area Regional Director and School District No. 23 Trustee Zone elections scheduled for Saturday, November 19th.

Three people have decided to let their names stand in the election for a Regional District director for the Central Okanagan West Electoral Area. Two people have been nominated as candidates for the Regional District director election in the Central Okanagan East Electoral Area.

There will not be an election required for Zone 1 School Trustee as only one person has filed nomination papers. Four people have filed nomination papers for Zone 2 School Trustee in the Peachland, Central Okanagan West and Westbank First Nation reserves #9 and #10.

The following people have filed nomination papers by today's 4:00 p.m. deadline:

**Regional District Director - Central Okanagan West Electoral Area
(including Westbank First Nation Reserves #9 and #10)
(One to be elected)**

Aaron Dinwoodie
Jim Edgson
Dave Robertson

**Regional District Director - Central Okanagan East Electoral Area
(One to be elected)**

John Collinson
Patty Hanson

**School District No. 23 Zone 1 Trustee
(Lake Country /Central Okanagan East Electoral Area)
(One to be elected)**

Deborah Ann Butler

**School District No. 23 Zone 2 Trustee
(Peachland /Central Okanagan West Electoral Area /Westbank First Nation Reserves #9 and #10)
(One to be elected)**

Moyra Baxter
Lindsay Bell
Karin Cruickshank
Marsha Johnston

Communications Coordinator Bruce Smith says, “The final list of candidates will be determined at 4:00 pm on Friday, October 21st as candidate nominees have until then to withdraw from the ballot.”

Smith adds, “We certainly encourage voters to determine well before they head to the polls, the Electoral Area election in which they are qualified to cast a ballot. It’s also important to note that qualified electors living on Westbank First Nations Reserves #9 and # 10 are eligible to vote in the Central Okanagan West Electoral Area director and School District No. 23 Zone 2 Trustee election. You can find information on who can vote, where to vote and when to vote by following the Elections Information link on the Regional District website, regionaldistrict.com/elections.”

“On our website,” he says, “we have posted very detailed maps outlining the boundaries for each election: the light green background shows the area for the Central Okanagan West Electoral Area director and Zone 2 School Trustee elections and includes Westbank First Nation Reserves #9 and #10 while on the map for Central Okanagan East Electoral Area the light yellow background shows the boundary for the Regional Director election. People can zoom into each of the maps using the magnify tool to see specific street and address details.”

In addition to the Electoral Area Director and School Trustee elections, qualified voters in several North Westside Road areas will be able to cast a ballot on a referendum question related to the operation and maintenance of the Killiney Beach Community Hall. These electors will be asked to vote “Yes” or “No” to the following question:

“Are you in favour of the Regional District of Central Okanagan adopting Bylaw No. 1294 to establish a Service Area within a portion of Central Okanagan West Electoral Area to operate and maintain the Killiney Beach Community Hall, at an annual cost not to exceed \$0.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value of land and improvements on properties within the Service Area?”

While general voting will take place on Saturday, November 19th, there will be two advance polling opportunities on Wednesday, November 9th and on Tuesday, November 15th.

Qualified electors who are not able to vote during these polling opportunities may apply to vote by mail-in ballot. They must complete the appropriate forms from the Regional District before Thursday, November 17th and ensure their completed ballots are returned to the Chief Election Officer before the close of voting at 8:00 pm on Saturday, November 19th. Mail ballots received after that time are not eligible and will not be included in the results.

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