



File # 4200-20

Report To: **Mayor and Council**

From: **Director of Legislative and Administrative Services**

Subject: **Administration Report No. 252/08
2008 Municipal Election – Official Results, Electronic Vote
Summary and Account of Ballots**

Meeting: **Regular Council**

Meeting Date: **November 24, 2008**

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

“THAT, the 2008 Election Report that includes the official results, electronic vote summary and account of ballots be received for information.”

CITY MANAGER’S COMMENTS:

Not applicable.

Dianne Hunter, City Manager

CURRENT SITUATION:

The 2008 election process went very well. This can be attributed to the great staff that we had for the election which included Grace Fika, Deputy Chief Election Officer, Shirley Collington, Presiding Election Official and all of the polling clerks who worked the advance and general voting days. The majority of the election staff has worked many elections and their knowledge and experience shone through. I greatly appreciated all of their assistance.

The number of voters for this election was estimated at 12,602. The total voter turnout was 2,880 for a percentage of 23%.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In accordance with Section 148 of the *Local Government Act*:

- 1) *within 30 days after the declaration of official election results under Section 76 for an election by acclamation or under Section 136 for an election by voting, the chief election officer must submit a report of the election results to the local government.*
- 2) *in the case of an election by voting, the report under subsection (1) must include a compilation of the information on the ballot accounts for the election.*

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2008 Election Results
- Electronic Vote Summary and Accountability of Ballots

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Janet Prestley, Chief Election Officer
Director of Legislative and Administrative Services
November 17, 2008



2008 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

November 15, 2008

OFFICIAL RESULTS

| MAYOR | Advance Voting | General Voting | General Voting | General Voting (Combined Totals) | TOTAL NUMBER OF VALID VOTES CAST |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Bruce Lantz | 375 | 841 | 282 | 1123 | 1498 |
| Jim Eglinski | 362 | 725 | 255 | 980 | 1342 |

| COUNCILLORS | Advance Voting | General Voting | General Voting | General Voting (Combined Totals) | TOTAL NUMBER OF VALID VOTES CAST |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Theresa Mucci-Rodgers | 247 | 591 | 201 | 792 | 1039 |
| Karen Simpson | 303 | 608 | 218 | 826 | 1129 |
| Trevor Bolin | 380 | 888 | 290 | 1178 | 1558 |
| Don Irwin | 339 | 792 | 285 | 1077 | 1416 |
| Bruce Christensen | 466 | 970 | 345 | 1315 | 1781 |
| Connie Wowchuk | 207 | 426 | 121 | 547 | 754 |
| Larry Evans | 473 | 1020 | 346 | 1366 | 1839 |
| Warren Mears | 237 | 494 | 167 | 661 | 898 |
| Josh Wilson | 179 | 414 | 133 | 547 | 726 |
| Dan Davies | 438 | 958 | 357 | 1315 | 1753 |
| Lori Ackerman | 436 | 915 | 334 | 1249 | 1685 |

Calculated in October 2008

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| Estimated Number of Eligible Voters | 12602 |
| Voter Turnout | 2880 |
| % | 23 |

The determination of official election results was made by the Chief Election officer on November 17, 2008 and is based on ballot accounts as amended or prepared by the Chief Election Officer.


Chief Election Officer

City of Fort St. John

| 2008 MUNICIPAL ELECTION BALLOT RECONCILIATION | | |
|--|--------|--------------|
| packaged (plastic wrap) | 69x100 | 6,900 |
| elastic | | 100 |
| loose | | 297 |
| | | |
| Ballots Issued but not Cast November 5 | | 0 |
| Ballots Issued and Cast November 5 | | 240 |
| Spoiled Ballots November 5 | | 1 |
| | | |
| Ballots Issued but not Cast November 12 | | 0 |
| Ballots Issued and Cast November 12 | | 427 |
| Spoiled Ballots November 12 | | 0 |
| | | |
| Ballots Issued but not Cast November 13 | | 1 |
| Ballots Issued and Cast November 13 | | 77 |
| Spoiled Ballots November 13 | | 1 |
| | | |
| Ballots Issued but not Cast November 15 | | 2 |
| Ballots Issued and Cast November 15 | | 2136 |
| Spoiled Ballots November 15 | | 11 |
| | | |
| Ballots Issued and Cast | | |
| Mail Ballots Sent | | 2 |
| Mail Ballot Sent and Not Received | | |
| Spoiled Ballots to November | | |
| Test Ballots | | 5 |
| Total Ballots Reconciliation | | 10200 |

* bold numbers indicate machine counted ballots (2,880)

| 2008 MUNICIPAL ELECTION BALLOT BOOKS RECONCILIATION | | |
|--|--|-------------|
| Ballot Book Advance | | 745 |
| General Voting | | 2138 |
| Mail Ballot | | 1 |
| TOTAL COUNT | | 2884 |

| 2008 MUNICIPAL ELECTION ACTUAL BALLOT RECONCILIATION | | |
|---|--|-------------|
| Machine Count Advance | | 744 |
| General Voting | | 2136 |
| Ballots in Box not counted by machine | | 3 |
| Mail ballot not returned | | 1 |
| TOTAL COUNT | | 2884 |