

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND**

**BYLAW NUMBER 2235**

A Bylaw to Provide for the Determination of Various  
Procedures for the Conduct of Local Government Elections and Other Voting

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Amended by: Bylaw No. 2269, adopted on January 14, 2020

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WHEREAS under the *Local Government Act*, the Municipal Council of the District of Peachland may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of local government elections and other voting:

AND WHEREAS the Council of the District of Peachland wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under that authority:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the District of Peachland, in Open Meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**1. DEFINITIONS**

For the purpose of this Bylaw, all terms shall have the meaning given to them in the *Local Government Act* except where otherwise defined.

**Automated Vote Counting System** means a system that counts and records votes and processes and stores election results.

**Vote Counting Unit** means the device into which voted ballots are inserted and which scans each ballot and records the number of votes for each candidate and for and against each, other voting question or other matter on which the assent or opinion of the electors is sought.

**2. ELECTOR REGISTRATION**

As authorized by the *Local Government Act*, registration of electors is limited to registration at the time of voting for all elections or matter on which the opinion of the electors is being sought at the time of voting under Part 3 and 4 of the *Local Government Act*.

**3. ADDITIONAL GENERAL VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

The Council of the District of Peachland authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional general voting opportunities for general voting day for each election or other voting and to designate the voting places and set the voting hours within the limits set out in the *Local Government Act*, for such voting opportunities.

**4. ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

In addition to the required advance voting opportunity on the 10<sup>th</sup> day before general voting day. Council hereby establishes an additional advance voting opportunity for each election or other

voting to be held on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) day before general voting day. When that day falls on a statutory holiday, the second advance voting opportunity will be held on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) day before general voting day.

**5. ADDITIONAL ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

As authorized by the *Local Government Act*, the Council of the District of Peachland authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional advance voting opportunities for each election or other voting to be held in advance of general voting day and to designate the voting places, establish the date and the voting hours for these voting opportunities.

**6. MAIL BALLOT VOTING**

As authorized under Section 110 of the *Local Government Act*, voting and registration may be done by mail for those electors who meet the criteria in the Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure Bylaw.

**7. AUTOMATED VOTE COUNTING SYSTEM**

Council hereby provides for the use of an automated vote counting system for the conduct of elections, other voting, and other matters on which the assent or opinion of the electors is sought that may, from time to time, be required. The Automated Vote Counting System uses a device called a Vote Counting Unit.

**8. ORDER OF NAMES ON BALLOT**

The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be determined by lot in accordance with Section 117 of the *Local Government Act*.

**9. RESOLUTION OF TIE VOTE AFTER JUDICIAL RECOUNT**

**In the event of a tie vote for the Mayors Office, after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a runoff election in accordance with the *Local Government Act*;**

**In the event of a tie vote for a Councillor's Office, after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with the *Local Government Act*;**

**Judicial Recounts shall be conducted with an Automated Vote Counting System.**

**10.** Election Procedures Bylaw Number 1563, 1999 and all amendments is hereby repealed.

**11.** This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Election Procedures Bylaw No. 2235, 2018"

READ A FIRST TIME This 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018

READ A SECOND TIME This 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018

READ A THIRD TIME This 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

FINALLY RECONSIDRED AND ADOPTED This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2018

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer

Dated at Peachland, B.C.  
This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2018.