Municipal Election Voting Information

Voting will take place on **Monday**, **October 20 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.** at the Stagecoach Saloon at the Ponoka Stampede Grounds (5616 39 Avenue).

Advance voting will be held at the Ponoka Drop-In Centre (5015 46 Avenue) on:

- Wednesday, October 15 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and
- Saturday, October 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information about voter eligibility and identification requirements, please visit

Ponoka.ca/p/information-for-voters



Early Bird Animal LicensingRates Available



You can now access the early bird rate by renewing your pet licences between October 1 and December 31, 2025 for the 2026 year. The early bird rate also applies to:

- New Ponoka residents who move to the Town of Ponoka and own a dog and/or cat; and
- Residents who become first-time animal owners of a dog and/or cat.

The early bird rate is \$15 annually for spayed or neutered animals, or \$30 for unaltered animals, which is a discount of almost 70 per cent for spayed or neutered animals and 50 per cent for unaltered animals.

Why should I license my pet?

All dogs and cats six months of age and older must be licensed annually in the Town of Ponoka, as per the Town's Animal Control Bylaw.

An animal licence is your pet's ticket home and helps ensure they can more easily be returned home safely by the Town's animal control contractor, Old MacDonald Kennels. That's because an pet licence provides Old MacDonald Kennels with your updated contact information.

For more information, please visit the Town of Ponoka website at **Ponoka.ca/p/dog-cat-licences**

We Are Hiring Lifeguards!

Join our team! The Town of Ponoka has immediate openings for Casual Lifeguards and a Lifeguard Level 3.

These positions participate in the delivery of aquatic programs and provide ondeck supervision of the pool area at the Ponoka Aquaplex.

To learn more about these positions and to apply, please visit *Ponoka.ca/p/careers*



Bill Payment Options During the Rotating Postal Strikes

The Town of Ponoka offers several convenient ways for paying and receiving bills from the Town.

Please note that during the rotating postal strikes, you are still responsible for paying your bills on time. Late charges will apply if your payment is late.



Options for receiving your utility bill:

- **Sign up for E-Billing** Have your Town of Ponoka utility bills sent directly to you by email.
- **Pick up your bill in person** at the Town Office during business hours, Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Options for paying your bill:

- Sign up for the Town's Pre-Authorized Payment Plan to have your utility bill or property taxes automatically paid from your account every month.
- Pay in person at the Town Office.
- Pay through your bank, either in person or online.
- Pay your utility bill with a credit card by using the Town's credit card payment slip.
- Pay your property tax bill with a credit card using Option Pay, a third-party service provider.

Please do not mail bill payments to the Town until full postal service has been restored. For more information, please visit the Town's website at **Ponoka.ca/p/bill-payment-options**If you need assistance, please call 403-783-4431.

~ TOWN NEWS ~

Waste Transfer Station Switches to Winter Hours

 As of Saturday, November 1, the Waste Transfer
 Station will change to winter hours, which are
 Tuesday to Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



- Green Carts Switch to Winter Pick-Up Schedule –
 Green Carts for compostable waste will continue
 to be emptied weekly for the month of October. Starting Saturday, November 1,
 curbside pick-up of Green Cart compost waste will happen every second week
 until April 30, 2026.
- **Grey Carts and Green Carts** should be placed at the curb for pick up on October 15, 16 and 17 depending on your Zone.
- Green Carts and Recyclable Materials bundled in clear or blue transparent plastic bags should be placed at the curb for pick up on October 22, 23 and 24 depending on your Zone.

~ UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS ~

 Next ORGANIZATIONAL and TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, October 28 at 6 p.m.

The public is welcome to attend all Council meetings. Meetings will be held in Town Council Chambers on the third floor of the Ponoka Civic Centre (5604 50 Street).

 Council Meeting Highlights - Can be viewed at Ponoka.ca/p/council-meetinghighlights



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