## **Town of WESTLOCK**

Title: Recruitment and Selection to Council Committees

Resolution: 045-2015 Feb 23, 2015 Revised:

Special Notes/Cross Reference: Next Review Date:

Council Procedure Bylaw 2014-10

POLICY STATEMENT: The Town of Westlock Council recognizes that the involvement of

community volunteers, on Boards and Committees is a vital part of

local government.

**PURPOSE**: To ensure a fair and open process for recruitment to the positions

available.

## **GUIDELINES / PROCEDURES / RESPONSIBILITIES:**

**Committee** – shall mean a Town of Westlock Council Board or Committee.

**Public Member** – shall mean the individual, who is not a member of Council appointed to a specific Committee.

In the event of a vacancy or new position arising on a Council appointed Committee, the following procedure will be followed for recruitment and appointment to the position.

- 1. When a Public Member resigns, they must do so in writing directed to the Chairperson of the Committee.
- 2. The Chairperson of the Committee will direct the notice to the Department Head member on the Committee.
- 3. The Department Head advises the Chief Administrative Officer, who then forwards an advertisement for recruitment.
- **4.** Advertising will be done by newspaper, website, and social media pages and other means as determined.
- 5. Applicants will be asked to submit a letter of intent providing the following information:
  - a) Complete contact details, including place of residence. (this is required for those positions that are for non Town of Westlock residents)
  - **b)** Description of why applicant is interested in the Committee position.
  - c) The skills and knowledge the applicant brings to the Committee.
- **6.** Following the deadline for receipt of applications, the applicants will be scheduled for an interview.

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- 7. Interviews shall be conducted by the Mayor, Chair of the Committee and Department Head for the Committee.
- 8. The Committee shall submit recommendations to Town Council.
- 9. Council shall hold an In Camera Committee of the Whole meeting to review the recommendations.
- 10. Town Council by resolution at a Council meeting shall appoint a member(s) to the Committee.
- 11. The Department Head notifies both the successful and unsuccessful applicants of the decision.
- **12.** If there are not any suitable applications; or no applications are received, the position is to be re-advertised.
- 13. If the second round of advertising is unsuccessful, direction will be received from the Chief Administration Officer. Council and the Committee Chair will be updated as to the status.

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