

By-Law Respecting the Taking or Holding

of a Plebiscite of the Ratepayers -

The Town Council of the Town of Stellarton in session duly convened enacts as follows:

1. The approval of the ratepayers of the making of any application for any of the purposes mentioned in Section 142 of the Towns' Incorporation Act, being Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1941, shall be given by a plebiscite of the ratepayers held for the purpose under the provisions of Section 143 of said Chapter 3.

2. Where a plebiscite of the ratepayers is held for any of the purposes mentioned in said Section 142 of the said Towns' Incorporation Act, within the meaning of these by-laws and of the Towns' Incorporation Act, the vote shall be taken between the hours of <sup>12 o'clock noon</sup> ~~nine o'clock in the morning~~ and <sup>seven</sup> ~~eight~~ o'clock in the evening of the day fixed by the Town Council.

3. Forthwith after the day has been fixed for the holding of a plebiscite, under the provisions of Section 143 of the Towns' Incorporation Act, the Town Clerk shall cause to be printed a number of ballot papers, not less than the number of persons on the special list of voters prepared by him, under the provisions of Section 142 of the Act.

4. Ballot papers may be in the form of Schedule "A" hereto or to the like effect.

5. The person or persons authorized by the Town Council by resolution shall preside at the taking of the poll and the Town Clerk and such other person or persons as the Town Council may appoint shall act as Poll Clerks. The Town Council shall also appoint two or more ratepayers as scrutineers, two of whom shall be present with each presiding officer and clerk during the voting.

6. At the time fixed in accordance with the by-laws the poll shall be held and the votes shall be taken by ballot.

7. At the close of the poll the presiding officer shall in the presence of the scrutineers and poll clerk open the ballot box and count the votes, of which the clerk and scrutineers shall keep tally and at the end of the counting the presiding officer shall declare the result.

8. After counting the ballots the presiding officer shall return them to the box in the presence of the scrutineers after having ascertained the number who voted "no" and the number of spoiled ballots and shall seal the ballot box and shall retain the same in his custody for the period of one month when, if not called upon by competent authority to produce the same, he may destroy the ballots.

9. Printed directions in the form of Schedule "B", or to the like effect, hereto shall be posted up at the place of voting.

10. All by-laws inconsistent with the foregoing are hereby repealed.

#### SCHEDULE "A"

Form of Ballot for voting at Ratepayers' Meeting.

Do you approve of the proposed borrowing by the Town of Stellarton under Chapter _____ of the Acts of	Yes
The _____ Act, of a sum not exceeding Dollars (\$ _____ )	
for the purpose of _____	No

If you approve, mark "X" in the space opposite the word "Yes" and if you disapprove, mark "X" in the space opposite the word "No."

#### SCHEDULE "B"

Directions for the guidance of voters -

The voter will go into a compartment and with the pencil provided in the compartment, place a cross (thus X) on the right hand side, in the upper space if he votes in favor of the application, and in the lower space if he votes against it.

The voter will then fold up the ballot paper and deliver it to the presiding officer and forthwith quit the polling place.

If the voter inadvertently spoils a ballot paper he may return it to the presiding officer, who will, if satisfied of such inadvertence, give him another ballot paper.

The following form of ballot paper is given for illustration. The voter has marked his ballot in favor of the expenditure.

Do you approve of the proposed borrowing by the  
Town of Stellarton, under Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ of the Acts  
of 19\_\_\_\_, The \_\_\_\_\_ Act, of a sum not Yes X  
exceeding \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) No  
for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_

If you approve, mark "X" in the space opposite  
the word "Yes" and if you disapprove, mark "X" in the  
space opposite the word "No."