Nomination deadline for municipal election looms

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With nomination day right around the corner, anyone holding an interest in running for municipal office has little more than a week before they have to officially file their papers.

It's going to be a big election for Shelburne. Longtime local public servant Ken Bennington dropped a bombshell last week when he withdrew his nomination, essentially calling time on his 20 year political career.

As of press time, there were nine candidates vying for seven Council positions. First term councillors Wade Mills and Steve Anderson revealed last week they were making a run for mayor and deputy mayor respectively. Coun. Dan Sample has also stated his intent to run for deputy mayor.

There are five potential newbies vying for the position of councillor. Althea Casamento, Lindsay Wegener, Kyle Fegan, Mikal Archer and Lynda Buffet have all submitted their papers. 19-year Council veteran Walter Benotto has also filed for re-election.

It is rumoured that current Deputy Mayor Geoff Dunlop is not seeking re-election, although that has yet to be confirmed, while Coun. Randy Chambers has yet to reveal his plans ahead of the Oct. 22 vote.