



## 2022 Municipal Election

### Clerk's Report on Financial Compliance

The Municipal Elections Act (the Act, MEA), as amended, requires all 2022 Municipal and School Board candidates to file a Financial Statement (Form 4) for all contributions and incurred expenses during the campaign period. The deadline for filing financial statements for the reporting period ending December 31, 2022, was on or before 2:00 PM, March 31, 2023. A candidate who misses the filing deadline may file within a 30-day grace period, provided that a \$500.00 late filing fee is paid to the municipality.

The Act stipulates that candidates whose campaign contributions and total expenses are greater than \$10,000 must have their financial statement audited and submit the auditor's report to the Clerk along with their financial statement. The auditor's report shall be prepared by an auditor licensed under the Public Accounting Act, 2004.

Section 88.29 (11) of the Act requires the Clerk to make available to the public a report setting out all candidates in an election and indicating whether each candidate complied with Section 88.25 of the Act. The report shall be made available on the website as soon as possible after April 30th in the year following the election.

#### ***Financial Statements Filed in Compliance with the Act***

The following Report is provided in accordance with Section 88.29 (11) of the Act of the compliance or non-compliance of the certified candidates in the 2022 municipal election:

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Date Financial Statement Filed</b>	<b>Compliance with Section 8.25 MEA</b>
Grant Jones	Mayor	2022-11-28	Compliant
Robert Monteith	Mayor		Not Compliant
Justin Pennings	Deputy Mayor	2022-11-21	Compliant
John Adzija	Councillor	2023-03-28	Compliant
Sarah Emons	Councillor	2023-03-16	Compliant
Scott Fellows	Councillor	2023-01-05	Compliant
Leah Morise	Councillor	2022-11-10	Compliant

A copy of the Financial Statements that have been filed are available for viewing at:

<https://www.southwold.ca/en/municipal-office/municipal-election-financial-statements.aspx>

**Compliance for Contributors**

Any individual who is a resident of Ontario may make a contribution to a Candidate's campaign or to a registered Third-Party Advertiser.

Individuals can contribute a maximum of \$1,200 to a single candidate. This amount includes the value of any goods or services donated to the campaign as well as money. Individuals may not contribute more than \$5,000 in total to candidates running for offices on the same council or school board.

Candidates and Registered Third Party Advertisers must provide the name and address of each contributor who made a contribution in excess of \$100 regardless of whether it was given in cash or in kind.

Pursuant to Section 88.34(1), after examining each Financial Statement, it appears that no contributor has exceeded any of the contribution limits as determined by the Act.



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Jeff Carswell, Clerk

May 1, 2023

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Date