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Wintery wallop

At left, Bert McAlister is partially obscured by blowing snow as he tries to clear his Robert Street driveway. The storm that started Tuesday night and didn't stop until Wednesday afternoon dumped 20 cm of snow on the area. Inset, the snow was fun for a group of four friends seen here racing down the hill at Bronte Meadows park.

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Two new candidates so far have entered race for town council seats in election

Deadline for nominations not until September 26

By JASON MISNER

The Champion

So far two Milton residents have thrown their hats into the ring for this year's municipal election race.

Jim Timbers of Fulton Street is running for Ward 2 councillor and Greg Nelson of Auger Terrace is vying for Ward 1 councillor.

But the current 10 councillors and Mayor Gord Krantz have yet to register.

Mr. Krantz told The Champion he plans to run for office again, but he's not sure when he'll sign his nomination papers.

"It's my intention to run," he said. "But I've been campaigning since the day after the last election.

I'm in election mode all of the time."

If you're still unsure whether you want to run as a mayoral or councillor candidate, or school board trustee, you've still got lots of time to decide. The closing date for nominations is September 26 at 5 p.m.

The term of office for municipal politicians and school board trustees is three years.

Before deciding to run, there are some basic requirements that have to be met, including:

- Being a Canadian citizen.
- At least 18 years of age.
- Not been disqualified by any legislation from holding municipal office.
- In the case of school board trustee candidates, one must be a resident in jurisdiction of the board.

Interestingly enough, MPs, MPPs and senators may be nominated for municipal office without having to resign their current seat in Parliament. However, by 5 p.m. on September 26, if they wish to seek municipal office, they will have to resign their seat.

Those interested must go to Town Hall at 43 Brown St. to fill out nomination papers.

The fee to run for mayor or regional chair is \$200.

Running for councillor or school board trustee positions costs \$100. There have been no local school board trustee nominations submitted yet.

After signing the nomination papers, candidates are required to sign two affidavits. One is to show you're a legal Canadian citizen and a resident of Milton. The other is to verify that you understand

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