



**The Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls
Community Newsletter
October 2026**

Vote-By-Mail is back

Check your mailbox for your voting kit

Haven't received yours
by October 15?
Visit the Municipal
Office



Election Day is October 26

2026 Municipal Election-Vote By Mail

The Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls will again use the alternative voting system "Vote-by-Mail" for the 2026 Municipal election on Monday, October 26th, 2026. This alternative voting method was found to be very efficient and yielded a high voter turnout. Vote-by-Mail eliminates polling stations, advance polls and proxy voting. It transforms every mailbox into a ballot box. Voting is as easy as mailing a letter. Vote-by-Mail kits have been mailed out to all voters who appeared on our Voters List.

If you are not sure whether you are on the Voters List and/or you do not receive your ballot in the mail by October 15th, 2026, please attend the Municipal Office in Sioux Narrows during regular business hours (Monday-Friday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm) with the required identification proving your eligibility and a ballot will be provided to you.

Time change survey shows preference to stay with Manitoba

On September 17, Manitoba announced its intention to remain on permanent daylight saving time. As a result, many communities within the northwest released surveys asking residents what their preference was. On September 21, the Township released a survey that was posted to the Township's website, shared on social media and emailed to local businesses.

As of September 29th, the survey received 157 responses and demonstrated overwhelming support for northwestern Ontario to adopt permanent daylight time and remain aligned with Manitoba. A total of 147 respondents (93.6%) supported this option, while five respondents (3.2%) preferred permanent standard time and four respondents (2.5%) preferred continuing the current practice of changing clocks twice a year. Most responses came from residents of the Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls area, with additional input from surrounding communities and Manitoba.

Visitor numbers for 2026

Visitor activity remained strong throughout both information centres during the 2026 summer season. Between May and August, the Northern Ontario Sportfishing Centre recorded 8,778 walk-ins, up 4.6% from 2025. The Nestor Falls Information Centre recorded 3,163 visitor interactions between May and August with overall traffic remaining comparable to 2025.

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THE TOWNSHIP OF SIOUX NARROWS-NESTOR FALLS

WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE TRAILS THIS WINTER

Red Pine
HIKE FAT BIKE SKI

Gathering Pines
HIKING/SNOWSHOE TRAIL

Aspen
GROOMED HIKING TRAIL

Boreal
HIKING/SNOWSHOE TRAIL

Fern Valley
GROOMED SKI TRAIL



FOLLOW ALONG AND STAY CONNECTED
SIOUX NARROWS-NESTOR FALLS TRAILS
FACEBOOK GROUP

ROUTES MAY CHANGE DEPENDING ON SNOW AND TRAIL CONDITIONS

Lake of the Woods Chapel

The last service of the summer season will be Sunday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m.—a service of thanksgiving and celebration of holy communion with Rev. Ren Amell. Sunday services will resume in May 2027.

Thank you to our community for your ongoing support and presence.

May you have a safe and healthy fall and winter time.



Landfill Winter Hours—October 1st—April 30th

Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

Sioux Narrows: 9:00 am—11:30 am Nestor Falls: 1:30 pm—4:00 pm

Sioux Narrows Health Hub

5736 Hwy. 71 in Sioux Narrows (Former NWHU)

LifeLabs

LifeLabs is coming to the Health Hub on Tuesday, October 13th and Tuesday, October 27th from 10:00 am—1:00 pm

- Bring a physical copy of your lab requisition
- No appointment required. Walk-ins only.

Please note: Services are subject to cancellation. Please monitor the Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls Facebook page for any updates or cancellations.

Mobile Mental Health & Addictions Clinic (MMHA)

Sioux Narrows: October 5th and October 19th 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Nestor Falls: October 7th and October 21st 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Call 807-468-1838, press 5 to book an appointment or book online at www.cmhak.on.ca

Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls AA Discussion Meetings Held every Tuesday evening at 6:00 pm

Water Sampling—Evaluation

This summer, Northwestern Health Unit (NWHU) offered a water sample drop-off site in Sioux Narrows for Private Water samples and Small Drinking Water System (SDWS) samples, in partnership with the SN-NF Health Hub. If you submitted a water sample at the SN-NF drop off location this past summer, we would appreciate your feedback. Your response is anonymous. To complete the evaluation, please scan the QR code.



Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls Clinic—Sunset Country Family Health Team

10 Fickas Road, Sioux Narrows

For appointments call 807-468-6321 extension 5