

I am a resident of Ward 3, along with my husband and 11-year-old twin daughters. We love our community. We boat, swim, fish, water ski, and camp on the St Lawrence River. We reside on quiet Selton Road. We own vacant land on Old River Road, where our kids dream of building their own home someday. My husband is a foreman in the area, building beautiful homes across the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands. We have lived in our home for almost 20 years and absolutely love the area.

I have a background working in the charitable sector for almost a decade, teaching in post-secondary for almost 15 years, and currently work as a community advocate in Kingston, as Executive Director for Kingston Accommodation Partners; I've been in this role since 2019. These opportunities have given me experience in advocacy, financial management, governance, risk management, human resources, project management, strategic planning, media relations, leadership, and public relations.

I have experience on several local, regional, provincial, and federal Boards, including but not limited to the Tourism Industry Association of Canada (TIAC), Meetings Mean Business Canada (MMBC), the Tourism Industry Association of Ontario (TIAO), Ontario Restaurant Hotel Motel Association (ORHMA), Regional Tourism Organization 9 (RTO9) and the Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce. In addition, I have experience in advocacy at all levels of government. I have done numerous delegations at Kingston City Council, I attend ROMA and AMO annually as a delegate, 3 Hill Days a year, and 2 Queen's Park Days per year. I feel this experience will be beneficial around the Council table as we support our hamlets, villages, towns, and cities and the people that reside across the township.

I have an MBA with a focus on Community Economic Development and Strategic Leadership. I am also completing my Certified Destination Management Executive (CDME) credentials, with 2 credits to go. This program includes courses in Advocacy and Community Relations, Marketing and Sales, Destination Information and Research, Strategic Issues in Destination Management, Destination Leadership, and Financial Management.

In 2022, I was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow Award by the Rotary Club of Kingston. In 2023, I was awarded the Kingston Young Professionals 40 Under 40 Award. Both were such an honour, and I am so grateful for the recognition. I'm also thankful to the team around me that continues to support this work.

I am passionate about community, dedicated to hearing from and consulting constituents, and would be honoured to serve on Council for the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands, protecting our community, listening to the people, sharing my experience and knowledge, and learning from the people around me.

Thank you, kindly.

Form EL18(A)

Declaration of Qualifications – Council

Municipal Elections Act, 1996



Declaration of Qualifications

For the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands

Councillor – Ward 3 Vacancy

I, Krista LeClair, a candidate for the office of Councillor, Ward 3,

Do solemnly Declare that:

1. I am qualified pursuant to the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and the *Municipal Act, 2001* to hold the office of Councillor, Ward 3.
2. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 1, I am at least eighteen years of age, a Canadian citizen, a resident of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands or the owner or tenant of land in the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands or the spouse of such owner or tenant.
3. I am not ineligible or disqualified under the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, 1990* or any other Act to hold the above-mentioned office.
4. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 3,
 - I am not an employee of the Corporation of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands or local board, or if I am an employee of the Corporation of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands, I am on an unpaid leave of absence as provided for by section 30 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.
 - I am not a judge of any court.
 - I am not a member of the Assembly as provided in the *Legislative Assembly Act, 1990* or of the Senate or House of Commons of Canada or, if I am such as person, I will provide proof of my resignation in a form satisfactory to the Clerk of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands prior to 2:00 on the last day for applications, February 5th, 2025. I understand that the Clerk of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand

Islands will reject my application for the above-mentioned office if I fail to provide proof of resignation by this deadline.

- I am not a Crown employee within the meaning of the *Public Service of Ontario Act*, 1990 or if I am a Crown employee, I have followed and will continue to follow all the relevant provisions of Part III of such *Act*.
5. I am not prohibited from voting at the municipal election under subsection 17(3) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996.
6. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 1,
- I am not a person who is serving a sentence of imprisonment in a penal or correctional institution.
 - I am not a person who was convicted of a corrupt practice described in subsection 90(3) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, during an election that occurred less than five years prior to October 24, 2022.
7. I am not a candidate who was convicted of a corrupt practice under the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996 or of an offence under the Criminal Code (Canada), in connection with an act or omission with respect to a municipal election if the Voting Day in that election is less than six years prior to October 24, 2022.
8. I am not disqualified from holding office by reason of any violations of the election campaign financial requirements or violations for not filing the financial statement pursuant to the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996.

And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and known that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath by virtue of the *Canada Evidence Act*, 1985.

Declared before me at the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands.

This 4th day of November, 2025.



Signature of Candidate



Signature of Clerk or designate



Form TLT103

Consent to Release Personal Information

Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 1990

Personal information on the Declaration of Qualifications Form (Form EL18A) as well as the one-page personal statement is collected under the authority of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and will be used to assist the Clerk in the administration of the Councillor – Ward 3 Vacancy.

Questions regarding this collection should be forwarded to the Clerk, 1233 Prince Street, PO Box 280, Lansdowne, Ontario K0E 1L0, by telephone to 61-659-2415 extension 231, or email to clerk@townshipleeds.on.ca.

Name of Candidate: Krista Bellar

Candidate for the office of:

☒ Councillor Ward 3

I acknowledge that the Declaration of Qualifications Form (Form EL18A) as well as the one-page personal statement filed by me contains personal information and I am aware that the Clerk will disclose all or part of it to the public.

This 4th day of November, 2025.

[Signature]

Signature of Candidate

[Signature]

Signature of Clerk or designate