

NOMINATION MEETING UPDATE

This Notice is being delivered to all Atikameksheng on-reserve community households to offer an alternative to attending the **April 23**, 2020 nomination meeting in-person. Please notice the Nomination Meeting will now be held at the **Council Chambers** from **6:00 p.m.** until **9:00 p.m.**

Keeping in mind, the current COVID-19 emergency, the health and safety of all will be considered and practised at the Nomination Meeting. COVID health protocol will be in place for community safety, such as, maximum number of community members allowed in at a time, rubber gloves, masks, sanitizer, etc. Only one person at a time will be allowed into the Council Chambers to nominate. ***The Nomination Meeting will be live streamed.***

Included, is a mail-in declaration & nomination form if you prefer to complete a mail-in nomination rather than attend the nomination meeting in-person. The top part of the Declaration needs to be filled out & signed by the person nominating and the bottom portion filled out & signed by a witness.

At the nomination meeting a nominated candidate for a position, needs a nominator and seconder. If you fill out the attached forms, I recommend strongly that you talk to the person you want to nominate, to confirm they wish to run for the Council position. As a candidate needs a nominator and seconder, you may want to discuss with another eligible voter if they would fill out a separate form nominating the same individual. If two mail-in nominations are received for the same person, one will count as the nominator and the other will count as the seconder.

Drop off your completed nomination form at the Band Office Tues, April 21st from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. & Thurs, April 23rd from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Luanne Naponse has been appointed as my Deputy Electoral Officer & will be present to accept completed nomination forms. If you need your

Nomination Eligibility: as per Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Election Code

1. Be a Member of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek who has reached the age 18 years as of the date of the Nomination Meeting,
2. Take a leave of absence if employed by the Band, effective from date of

- acceptance of nomination until election date if not elected to office,
3. Not be an undischarged bankrupt,
 4. Not be a trustee on Atikameksheng Anishnawbek trust,
 5. Comply with any Atikameksheng Anishnawbek code of ethics for Candidates,
 6. Prepare to resign from your Band Employment before the first regular Council Meeting, if the Member is elected to position of Gimaa or Councillor.

Acceptance of Nomination: as per Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Election Code

1. A Band Member may not be a Candidate for both Chief and Councillor,
2. Candidate's acceptance must be in form of a written statement within seven (7) days of the Nomination Meeting including a written declaration that he/she meets the above Nomination Eligibility criteria,
3. A non-refundable deposit (bank draft, cash if in-person) of \$25.00 made to Atikameksheng Anishnawbek by April 30, 2020.

Given under my hand this 9th day of April 2020.



Vaughn Johnston
Electoral Officer

Email: vaughn_johnston@hotmail.com
Toll Free: 1.866.286.7130
Cell/Text: 1.705.849.8072