

Instructions to Vote

Through the **Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Election Code** eligible voters have three voting methods to cast a ballot for Gimaa & Councillor.

1. Online Voting
2. Mail-In Ballot Voting
3. In-Person Voting

Any registered Band Member who is 18 years of age or older on June 27, 2020 is allowed to cast a vote.

The instructions for each voting method are provided below, only one vote will be counted.

ONLINE (ELECTRONIC) VOTING

Online voting will be available 24 hours per day starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 1, 2020 and ending on Saturday, June 27, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.

How to Vote Online using OneFeather

(From any computer, tablet, iPad or smart phone)

STEP 1: Visit the OneFeather landing page <https://onefeather.ca/nations/atikameksheng-anishnawbek> to register with OneFeather & initiate the online voting process with your First Nation.

Have your 10 Digit Status Card Number (Registry Number beginning with 224), Date of Birth and Personal Email ready.

- Click the red Register to Vote Button – enter your Registry Number and Date of Birth.
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STEP 2: Watch your email...you will be sent an email with a confirmation link (an email can be used only once to access a secret pin, you cannot use it to assist someone else to access their pin)

- click the verification link to confirm and activate your eligibility to vote electronically. (If you do not see the email within 5 minutes – check your junk email folder).

Watch your email for a second email following immediately from OneFeather. This email will have your PIN (unique personal identification number) and a secure link to the voting event.

- Write down your PIN (always lower case)
- Click the link in the email to Vote!
- Confirm that you want to vote electronically – check the box!
- Click the red Verify My Identity box.

- Read the instruction pages – click Next when ready to proceed
- Complete your identity verification - enter your PIN, Registry Number & Date of Birth.

STEP 3: Follow the voting instructions and cast your Vote for Gimaa & Councillor!

- Confirm your Vote.

If you encounter any issues during the voting process please contact Vaughn Johnston, Electoral Officer at vaughn_johnston@hotmail.com

MAIL - IN VOTING

Your ballot must be received by mail or hand delivered to Vaughn Johnston, Electoral Officer by Saturday, June 27, 2019 by 8:00 pm (EST).

Step 1: Your Ballot will be on coloured paper and it will have the Electoral Officer's initial on the back

- Gimaa (Chief) Ballot: you may vote for only one (1) candidate.
- Councillor Ballot: you may vote for up to five (5) candidates. It will not allow you to vote for more than 5 candidates; however, you may vote for less than 5 candidates.

Mark the ballot by placing an **X** or **✓** in the box beside the Candidate(s) for whom you wish to vote.

Step 2: Place your ballot inside the Secrecy Ballot Envelope and seal it.

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Step 4: Complete and sign the outside of the Declaration Envelope in the presence of a witness who is at least 18 years of age.

Step 5: Enclose the sealed, signed and witnessed Declaration Envelope in the Return Envelope, with the prepaid postage and seal it.

Step 6: Fill out your name and address in the top left corner of the stamped Return Envelope.

Step 7: Drop off at any Post Office (allow ample time for delivery) or hand deliver on Election Day.

All mail-in ballots must be received by the Electoral Officer no later than June 27, 2020 at 8:00 pm (EST).

IN PERSON VOTING (Official Voting Day)

The Official Voting Day will take place on Saturday the 27th day of June 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Community Centre, Atikameksheng Anishnawbek. Please bring one piece of **ID with your name and picture.**