

ATTENTION STELLAT'EN FIRST NATION MEMBERS

LISTED BELOW ARE A FEW REGULATIONS IN THE NEW CUSTOM ELECTION CODE WHICH MEMBERS NEED TO BE AWARE OF BEFORE THE NOMINATION MEETING AND BEFORE CANDIDATES ACCEPT THEIR NOMINATION

4.3 Chief and Council Residency Requirement

(A) Through majority direction, and agreement, of the Stellat'en First Nation membership; any person who is elected to the office of chief and council must, at all times during their term in office:

- i) Live at a primary place of residence located on one of Stellat'en First Nation's reserves; or
- ii) Live at a primary place of residence located within an area defined as Stellat'en First Nation Traditional Territory.

(B) Should a newly elected member of chief and council not have a primary place of residence, in accordance with Part 4.3 (A) of this Election Code, the newly elected member shall agree to move their primary place of residence so that it becomes compliant with this section of the Election Code.

(C) All elected members of Chief and Council are to sign a residency agreement within 15 to 30 days of being elected.

4.4 Inaugural (First) Ceremony / Meeting

(B) All newly elected members of Chief and Council shall sign the following:

- iii) The Council Code of Conduct;
- iv) The Confidentiality Agreement;
- v) The Residency Agreement;
- vi) The Governance Manual;
- vii) any other business the council may find necessary.

6.2 Eligibility to Nominate

(A) To be eligible to nominate a candidate for council elections, the person who is nominating must be;

- i) at least 18 years of age on the day of the Nomination Meeting;
- ii) a member of Stellat'en First Nation and appear on the voters list.

6.3 Eligibility to be Nominated

(A) To be eligible to be nominated as a candidate for council elections, the person who is being nominated must be;

- i) at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election;
- ii) a member of Stelat'en First Nation and appear on the voters list.

(B) SFN Staff members can be nominated, and accept being a candidate, for council elections, they may do so as long as they are eligible under 6.3 (A) in this Code, and can run as a candidate while carrying out their job duties.

(C) Should these SFN staff members be elected, those staff members will be given a leave of absence for the full term of office.

6.6 Nomination Procedure

(E) Any eligible voter may nominate or second no more than:

- ii) the number of eligible persons equivalent to the vacancies for the office of councillors

7.1 Candidate Acceptance or Rejection of Nomination(s)

(B) If the nominee is present at the nomination meeting, he or she may verbally decline the nomination, however, if he or she wishes to accept the nomination they must declare their acceptance verbally and sign the following documents:

- i) a notice of acceptance of nomination;
- ii) sign a criminal records check form;
- iii) written consent to comply with the Residency Requirement;
- iv) a sworn declaration confirming their eligibility as a candidate.

(D) A nominee not present at the nomination meeting shall file the documents required under Part 7.1(B) i), ii), iii) iv) with the electoral officer by mail, e-mail, facsimile transmission, or in person, not later than 3 days following the nomination meeting.

(E) Any nominee who does not comply with Part 7.1(D) of this Code shall be considered to have rejected their nomination.

C) Any candidate that has a criminal history, that includes an indictable offence, will have that history reviewed by the Electoral Officer, with assistance from legal counsel, to ascertain whether that candidate is to be disqualified, or approved to remain, as a candidate in the election.

(D) Any candidate disqualified from being a candidate, as a result of having an indictable criminal offence record, shall receive notice of his/her disqualification at least ten (10) days before

Note: Candidates are responsible for the cost of their Criminal Record Check