

KWIKWASUT'INUXW HAXWA'MIS FIRST NATION ELECTION NOTICE OF NOMINATION MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of the Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis First Nation will be held in the Health Services building at Gway-as-dums on Gilford Island on **Wednesday, the 12th day of April 2023, beginning at 2:00 p.m. and lasting for four (4) hours to 6:00 p.m.** for the purpose of nominating candidates for the positions of one (1) Chief and three (3) Councillors on the Band Council of the Kwikwasut'inuxw Haxwa'mis First Nation for the next ensuing term.

DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS, ONLY ELECTORS WHO ARE REGULAR RESIDENTS ON RESERVE WILL BE ALLOWED TO NOMINATE AND SECOND IN PERSON. OFF-RESERVE ELECTORS MUST NOMINATE CANDIDATES BY MAIL. FORMS WILL BE MAILED TO ALL ELECTORS, INCLUDING THOSE LIVING ON RESERVE.

- **Any** voter (resident on- or off-reserve) may nominate candidates and/or second a nomination for both Chief and Councillor positions by using a mail-in nomination form for **each** one. Please copy the form for each nomination or seconding you want to mail in.
- Duplicate nominations for any candidate will be considered as seconding that candidate.
- Mail-in your written and/or seconded nomination forms along with your **completed, signed, and witnessed voter declaration form** to the Electoral Officer **before** the time set for the nomination meeting. **Please fill in ALL the blanks.** On-reserve residents who will be nominating in person do not need to send in that form as they will be verified on site.
- **Candidates will have four (4) days to submit their acceptance (or withdrawal) form to the Electoral Officer in order to be placed on the ballot. Blank Candidate Acceptance/Withdrawal Forms will be available at the office at Gway-as-dums or by email from the Electoral Officer.**
- The meeting will be carried out “virtually” by Zoom. A Deputy Electoral Officer will be present to witness forms and assist the Electoral Officer, who will attend by Zoom. *The nomination meeting may be viewed or listened to using Zoom. The code for logging in will be available at the offices and by contacting the Electoral Officer.*
- According to the rules of the Indian Band Election Regulation, we **cannot accept nominations or secondings unless we have written, signed, and witnessed forms for each nomination and seconding by the close of the nomination meeting.**
- The **election** will be held at **Gway-as-dums Reserve on Gilford Island on Saturday, the 27th day of May 2021** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. *Only regular on-reserve residents will be able to vote in person. Scrutineering and the count will be by Zoom.*
- Please note that mailed nominations not received by the electoral officer **by the start of the nomination meeting** are void. Those nominated, nominating, and seconding all must be **18 years old** at the time of the nomination meeting.
- **If you are nominating by mail, please make sure your Voter Declaration form has been properly signed and witnessed.** Contact the EO if you have any questions or problems.
- **Any voter may vote by mail-in ballot.**

Given under my hand at Port Alberni, British Columbia, this 3rd day of March 2023.

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Signature of Electoral Officer