



Lac La Ronge Indian Band 2020 Elections

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NOTE: Any Band Member wishing to seek elected office must provide a criminal record check.



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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY SERVED TO THE ELECTORS OF
ELECTORAL SECTIONS #1-#6, LAC LA RONGE INDIAN BAND

that a **Nomination Meeting** will be convened on the **2nd** day of **MARCH**, 2020 commencing at **3:00 p.m.** and ending at **5:00 p.m.** FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF CHIEF AND COUNCILLORS(S) AS FOLLOWS:

Electoral Section 1	Little Red River Reserve #106C and #106D	White Hall	Two (2) Councillors
Electoral Section 2	Grandmother's Bay Reserve #219	Band Hall	One (1) Councillor
Electoral Section 3	Morin Lake Reserve #217	Charlie Halkett Memorial Band Hall	One (1) Councillor
Electoral Section 4	Sucker River Reserve #156C	Sucker River Band Hall	One (1) Councillor
Electoral Section 5	Stanley Mission Reserve #157	Rhoda Hardlotte Band Hall	Three (3) Councillors
Electoral Section 6	Lac La Ronge Reserve #156 and Kitsaki Reserve #156B	Jonas Roberts Memorial Community Centre	Four (4) Councillors

A Candidate may be nominated only in accordance with the following sections of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band Election Act

Nominating Candidates

7.5 A Voter may nominate a Candidate and second the nomination of a Candidate by orally nominating the Candidate or seconding the nomination of the Candidate at the nomination meeting.

Nominations for Chief

7.6 An Elector may nominate or second no more than one eligible Elector for the office of Chief.

7.7 There is no residency requirement for an Elector who is registered on the Band List to nominate, second a nomination for, or vote for a Candidate running for the position of Chief.

Nominations for Councillors

7.8 Only Electors whose Ordinary Place of Residence is in Electoral Sections 1, 2, 3, or 4 can nominate or second a nomination of a Candidate in Electoral Sections 1, 2, 3, or 4.

7.9 There is no residency requirement for an Elector who does not reside in an LLRIB Community to nominate, or second a nomination for, a Candidate running for the position of Councillor in Electoral Sections 5 and 6.

Nomination Meeting Procedure

7.10 At the time and place specified in the notice of nomination meeting, the Chief Electoral Officer shall declare the meeting open for the purpose of receiving nominations. A Voter must not nominate more than one Candidate for each position to be filled.

The date and hours of an **Advance** poll will be: **Thursday, March 19** **12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

The date and hours of the **Election** will be: **Monday, March 30** **9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

If the Voter wants to receive information from the Candidates, the Voter must provide his or her address to the Chief Electoral Officer, and by doing so, agrees to have his address released to the Candidates.

Copies of the *Lac La Ronge Indian Band Election Act* may be obtained from the administration offices.

DATED in La Ronge, Saskatchewan on this 29th day of January, 2020.

Milt Burns

Electoral Officer

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****NOTE: ANY CANDIDATE, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, MAKING A FALSE DECLARATION SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY DISENTITLED TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE, AND THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PLACE THAT CANDIDATE'S NAME FORWARD FOR ELECTION.**

LLRIB Election Act – Enacted July 5, 2019

PART 5. ELIGIBILITY OF CHIEF AND COUNCILLORS

Eligibility of Chief and Councillors

5.1 Candidates must meet the following criteria to be eligible to run in an Election:

- (a) be an eligible Voter, as defined in this Act;

"Elector" or "Voter" means a Member who:

- a) is registered on the Band List;
- b) is of the full age of eighteen years (18) on the day of the Election; and
- c) is not disqualified from voting at the Election;

- (b) have a Criminal Free Record, as defined in this Act;

"Criminal Free Record" means, within five (5) years of the nomination:

- a) Having no conviction for an indictable offence for offences under the Criminal Code, or the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, or any successor legislation; and
- b) Having no conviction for a summary conviction offence which could have been prosecuted by indictment; and
- c) Confirming, through a Criminal Free Declaration (Appendix "A"), that there are no undisclosed convictions or items from the Candidates personal, business or professional past that may be deemed embarrassing or detrimental to themselves or the LLRIB, hinder their ability to perform their duties as an elected official or demonstrate a lack of integrity;

- (c) not be in a Conflict of Interest, as defined in this Act;

"Conflict of Interest" occurs when a Candidate exercises an official power or performs an official function knowing that in so doing there is an opportunity to further their private interest;

- (d) have no debt outstanding and unpaid to the LLRIB, including Band entities, businesses and corporations to which the Band is the majority shareholder; and
- (e) for Councillor positions in Electoral Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, Candidates must have their Ordinary Place of Residence within the Electoral Section that they are seeking to represent.

Ordinary Place of Residence

5.2 A Member's Ordinary Place of Residence will be determined by where they are residing as of December 31 of the year preceding the Election:

- (a) members residing in LLRIB Communities 1-4 will be entitled to run for and vote in Electoral Sections 1-4.
- (b) members residing off-LLRIB Community (off-reserve) will be entitled to run for and vote in Electoral Sections 5 and 6, unless the Member swears a declaration claiming a closeness and affinity to another LLRIB Community.

No Residency Requirement for Chief

5.3 There is no residency requirement for a Candidate who is registered on the Band List to run for the position of Chief.

Residency Requirement for Councillors

5.4 Candidates who do not live in a LLRIB Community can be nominated for a position of Councilor in Electoral Sections 5 or 6.

Temporary Absence from Ordinary Residence

5.5 A temporary absence from a LLRIB Community does not cause a loss or change of Ordinary Place of Residence.

Employees of the Band

- 5.6 A Member who is an employee of LLRIB, or a Band corporation, who wishes to run for Chief or Councillor must take a leave of absence upon acceptance of a nomination and must resign if elected.

Elected and Senior Officials of other Governments

- 5.7 A Member who is an elected or senior official of another government, who wishes to run for Chief or Councillor must take a leave of absence upon acceptance of a nomination and must resign if elected.

PART 7. THE NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominating Candidates

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Nomination Meeting Procedure

- 7.10 At the time and place specified in the notice of nomination meeting, the Chief Electoral Officer shall declare the meeting open for the purpose of receiving nominations.
- 7.11 If the same person receives two written nominations for the same position, the second nomination is considered to second the first nomination.
- 7.12 A nomination meeting must remain open for at least two (2) hours.

Acceptance of Chief or Councillor Nomination

- 7.13 A person may only be a Candidate for the position of Chief or Councillor in an Election, not both.

Confirmation of Eligibility

- 7.14 No person shall accept a nomination for Chief or Council if that person is not eligible to be a Candidate pursuant to this Act and any prescribed Regulations.

Candidate Declaration

- 7.15 To accept a nomination, a Candidate must remit to the Chief Electoral Officer, within 72 hours of the nomination meeting closing:
- (a) a signed *Candidate Declaration* (Appendix "E") accepting the nomination for no more than one of the positions for which they have been nominated and attesting to their eligibility to be a Candidate under the Act;
 - (b) confirmation of the Candidates legal name and the name or names, including nicknames, that the Candidate wishes to have on the Ballot; and
 - (c) a Criminal Record Check.
- 7.16 Any Candidate, who, in the opinion of the Chief Electoral Officer, makes a false declaration shall be automatically disentitled to run for office, and the Chief

Electoral Officer shall not be required to place that Candidate's name forward for Election.

- 7.17 The documents required under this Section may be submitted by mail, email, fax, or in person, or other method acceptable to the Chief Electoral Officer, but must be received before the deadline.
- 7.18 The Chief Electoral Officer shall keep the original documentation with all other electoral documentation.
- 7.19 **If the documentation is not received within 72 hours of the close of the nomination meeting, the nomination is void.**

****NOTE:** ANY CANDIDATE, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, MAKING A FALSE DECLARATION SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY DISENTITLED TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE, AND THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PLACE THAT CANDIDATE'S NAME FORWARD FOR ELECTION.

CANDIDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Consent for Release of Information:

I consent to the above information being posted on LLRIB web site, community web sites and/or to a Voter requesting contact information.

I hereby restrict information given out to the following:

___ mailing address

___ phone number

___ email

Signature

Date



APPENDIX "A"
CRIMINAL FREE DECLARATION

CANDIDATE INFORMATION	
Name of Candidate:	
Nominated for:	CHIEF OR COUNCILLOR
Electoral Section (if applicable):	

I, _____, here declare that:

- 1) I have no convictions or outstanding charges for offences under the *Criminal Code of Canada* or the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*, or any successor legislation, up to and including the date of this declaration;

- 2) I have no other items from my personal, business or professional past that may be deemed embarrassing or detrimental to themselves or the LLRIB, hinder my ability to perform my duties as an elected official or demonstrate a lack of integrity.

Signed on ____ , ____ , ____ by _____
(day) (month) (year) (printed name)

(signature)

In the presence of:

(printed name)

(signature)



APPENDIX "E" CANDIDATE DECLARATION

I, _____, Treaty Number 353 _____

of Electoral Section # _____ - _____

(Address of Voter)

DECLARE:

1. That I am the full age of eighteen (18) years.
2. That I am a Member of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band.
3. That I reside in the Electoral Section to which I have been nominated.
4. That I have met all of the eligibility requirements under Section 5.1 of the Election Act, specifically:
 - (a) That I am an eligible Voter, as defined in the Election Act;
 - (b) That I have a Criminal Free Record, as defined by the Election Act and have signed the Criminal Free Declaration in accordance with the Election Act;
 - (c) That I am not be in a Conflict of Interest, as defined by the Election Act;
 - (d) That I have no debt outstanding and unpaid to the LLRIB, including Band entities, businesses and corporations to which the Band is the majority shareholder; and
 - (e) That for Councillor positions in Electoral Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, my Ordinary Place of Residence is within the Electoral Section that I am seeking to represent.
6. That I know of no other reason why I would be disqualified to run in this election.
7. I am aware that I will be disqualified if my Criminal Record Check is not filed with the Electoral Officer within 72 hours.

DECLARED before me at _____)
 in the Province of Saskatchewan,)
 this ___ day of _____, 20__)
 _____)
 _____)

 (Signature of Nominee)

Electoral Officer, Justice of the Peace, Notary
 Public/Commissioner for Oaths for
 Saskatchewan.

My appt. expires: _____



APPENDIX "F"
NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY

I, _____, hereby withdraw my name as a Candidate for the
(Name of Candidate)

office of _____, of Electoral Section _____ (if
(Chief or Councillor)

applicable).

DECLARED before me at _____)
in the Province of Saskatchewan,)
this ___ day of _____, 20__ .)
_____)
_____)

(Signature of Nominee)

*Electoral Officer, Justice of the Peace,
Notary Public/Commissioner for Oaths for
Saskatchewan.*

My appt. expires: _____



APPENDIX "G"
APPOINTMENT OF AGENT (SCRUTINEER) BY CANDIDATE

CANDIDATE	
Name of Candidate:	
Nominated for:	CHIEF OR COUNCILLOR
Electoral Section (if applicable):	

AGENT APPOINTMENT	
Name of Agent appointed:	

I appoint the individual noted above as an Agent to represent me in the Lac La Ronge election.

Signed on ____ , ____ , ____ by _____
(day) (month) (year) (printed name)

(signature)

In the presence of:

(printed name)

(signature)



INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENT

- Agents arriving at a Polling Place must show this form and personal identification to the election officials and take an Oath of Secrecy
- Only one Agent per Candidate may be at each Polling Place

RIGHTS AND PROHIBITIONS

Agents can:

- Enter the Polling Place 15 minutes before it opens and inspect the Ballot boxes and the Ballots and all other papers, forms and documents relating to the vote (but not so as to delay the timely opening of the Polling Place)
- Place his or her own seal on the Ballot box, immediately before the opening of the voting place, so that Ballots can be deposited in the box and cannot be withdrawn without breaking the seal
- Object to a Ballot or to the counting of votes in a Ballot
- Sign the statement of the results of the election prepared by the Chief Electoral Officer
- Place his or her own seal on the Ballot box immediately after the close of voting on each day of an advance vote, so that Ballots cannot be deposited or withdrawn without breaking the seal
- Examine the Voters' List periodically to determine who has voted or to count how many Electors have voted but may not interfere with the conduct of the voting process

AGENTS CANNOT:

- Campaign at the voting place
- Attempt, directly or indirectly, to interfere with how an Elector votes
- Display a Candidate's election material (including buttons, pins, etc.) in a Polling Place
- Compromise the secrecy of voting
- Obtain or attempt to obtain, in a Polling Place, any information about how an Elector intends to vote or has voted
- Communicate any information obtained at a voting place about how an Elector intends to vote or has voted
- Park a vehicle displaying campaign material in the parking lot of the Polling Place

NOTES:

1. The Chief Electoral Officer or their delegated Deputy is responsible for the conduct of the Polling Place and no Agent has the right to interfere with the Chief Electoral Officer in the discharge of their duties.
2. Anyone who is creating a disturbance at a Polling Place will be removed by the Chief Electoral Officer or their delegated Deputy pursuant to Section 11.12 of the Election Act.
3. The seal(s) must not contain any writing that could be considered "election campaigning", therefore, the name of the Candidate is not permitted on the seal;
4. No campaign material or literature of any nature whatsoever shall be displayed within the Polling Place. The boundaries of the Polling Place are the boundaries of the property where the Polling Place is located and includes the parking lot.