

June 26, 2015

To the Electors of the Acadia First Nation

**Re: Update from June 13, 2015 Election**

We are the solicitors for the Acadia First Nation.

On the date of the Election, Grand Chief Ben Sylliboy signed a statement of the votes which contained a numeric error when the number of votes for candidates for Chief was added up. The individual entries for each candidate were correct and completed in accordance with Regulation 20(a) of Appendix "A" to the Band Bylaws.

When this was brought to his attention, the Grand Chief prepared a letter dated June 17, 2015, where he explained the numeric discrepancy, provided copies of the voting sheets, and confirmed the individual election results. This letter, and its supporting schedules, is on the First Nation's website.

Appendix "A" to the Acadia First Nation Bylaws provides that within 30 days after an election, any candidate at the election or any elector who gave or tendered his/her vote at the election may file an election appeal if they have reasonable grounds for believing that:

1. there was a corrupt practice in connection with the election;
2. there was a violation of the Bylaws which might have affected the result of the election;
- or
3. a person nominated to be a candidate in the election was ineligible to be a candidate.

Any Notice of Appeal must be verified by affidavit, being a document sworn on oath before a lawyer or a commissioner of oaths. Notices of Appeal are to be sent addressed to the "Appeal Board", care of the Band Head Office. Any such appeals will be provided to our law firm.

No action will be taken on any election appeal until the 30 day time period for filing appeals has expired.

If valid Appeal Notices are filed, an Appeal Board will be constituted. A Special General Meeting will be called for that purpose. The Appeal Board must consist of 3 Band members and a Non-Band member and none of them can have a conflict of interest.

A Special General Meeting can be called on as little as 7 days' notice, although it is customary to provide a somewhat longer period of time than that.

Once the Appeal Board is constituted, it will decide on any valid appeals that have been filed. The process for doing so is set out in the Bylaws.

The complete Bylaws are available on the Acadia First Nation website.

Yours very truly,

BURCHELLS

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D. Bruce Clarke, QC

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