



Office of the Chief Electoral Officer
Yuutu?i?ath First Nation Government
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Notice in Accordance with Yuutu?i?ath Law

May 12, 2023

Notice of By-Election

There will be a By-Election for two (2) Members of the Legislature for the Yuutu?i?ath First Nation on:

July 12, 2023

A **Voters List** for these elections has been posted in hitaçu in the cixwatin centre and on the YFN web site at <http://www.ufn.ca> and is updated regularly. Citizens for whom address information is missing are noted on the list. If you have any information about these people please contact the Law Clerk, Jill Hamilton at 250-726-7342 or by email at jill.hamilton@ufn.ca.

An **All Candidates Meeting** at which you can meet the candidates and ask questions will be held on **June 27, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.** in the cixwatin centre in hitaçu.

Eligible voters may vote in person at the General Poll or the Advance Poll, by mail-in ballot, or by electronic voting.

An **Advance Poll** will be held in hitaçu in the cixwatin centre on **June 28, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Mail-in ballot packages will be sent to eligible voters on June 12th and mail-in ballots must be received by the Chief Electoral Officer before the close of the general poll at 8:00 p.m. on July 12, 2023.

Electronic voting will available from **8:00 am Monday, July 3, 2023 to the close of the polls at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 12, 2023.** Voters will be provided with a PIN and instruction for electronic voting.

The **General Poll** shall be held in hitaçu in the cixwatin centre from **8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on July 12, 2023.** An additional polling station will also be established at the Yuutu?i?ath Government satellite offices at **3203 3rd Ave. Port Alberni This polling station will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on July 12, 2023.**

Nominations

Any eligible Yuutu?i?ath voter may nominate a Yuutu?i?ath citizen who qualifies under Section 4.1 of the Elections Act (see attached) by completing, signing and witnessing a **Nomination Form** and a **Voter Declaration Form**.

The nomination must also include a **Support for Nomination** form with the signatures of ten (10) Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ citizens, three (3) of whom must not be ordinarily resident on Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ lands, indicating their support for the nomination. Each sponsor must complete and sign a **Voter Declaration Form**.

These forms must be completed and submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer before 4:30 p.m. on May 26, 2023. The forms can be scanned and emailed to yfn_elections_officer@shaw.ca. An election official will be available in the administrative offices in hitaçu in the cixwatin centre to receive nominations from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. on May 26th.

Note: This is a change from previous elections. The **Nomination Form**, the **Support for Nomination** form signed by ten (10) eligible Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ voters, three (3) of whom are not ordinarily resident on Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ lands, **and Voter Declaration forms** from the person making the nomination and all the people who signed in support of the nomination must be submitted at the time of the nomination, no later than 4:30 p.m. on May 26, 2023.

The Nominee must provide an **Acceptance of Nomination Form**, a **Voter Declaration Form**, a **Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate Form** sworn before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, or Commissioner for Oaths, and a statement of motivation for candidacy indicating the reason for accepting the nomination and seeking the office. These forms will be available from the election official on May 26th and will be posted on the Web site.

The Nominee must also provide a non-refundable deposit of \$200. Nomination fees must be payable to the Ucluelet First Nation Government.

The complete acceptance of nomination package including the **Acceptance of Nomination Form**, a **Voter Declaration Form**, a **Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate Form**, and a statement of motivation must be submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer before 4:30 p.m. on June 5, 2023. The forms can be scanned and emailed to yfn_elections_officer@shaw.ca. An election official will be available in the administrative offices in hitaçu in the cixwatin centre to receive acceptance of nominations from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. on June 5th.

Kit Spence has been appointed as the **Chief Electoral Officer** for this election. He can be contacted by telephone at (877) 541-9017 by text at (250) 881-0142 and by email at YFN_Elections_Officer@shaw.ca

This notice issued the 12th day of May, 2023 by



Kit Spence, Chief Electoral Officer
Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ First Nation