

**REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS FOR THE
CHIEF AND COUNCIL OF THE LIARD FIRST NATION**

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**Regulations for the Conduct of Elections for the Chief and Council
of the Liard First Nation**

1. Title

These regulations may be cited as the "Liard First Nation Election Regulations".

2. Definitions

In these Regulations:

- (a) "ballot paper" means:
 - (i) "rejected ballot" – at the count, a ballot which is not counted because it is not marked according to the directions given by the deputy returning officer;
 - (ii) "special ballot paper" – a ballot paper distributed other than during the hours of voting;
 - (iii) "spoiled ballot paper" – a ballot paper which a voter returns to the polling station for another ballot paper;
- (b) "by-election" means an election which is held to fill a vacancy;
- (c) "candidate" means a person who has filed a nomination paper with the Chief Returning Officer;
- (d) "Chief Returning Officer" means the person appointed to administer the election on behalf of the Election Committee;
- (e) "criminal background check" means proof of no convictions of indictable offences for a stated period of time;
- (f) "Customary Elected" means a Chief, Deputy Chief or Councillor who is elected according to Kaska aboriginal custom under these regulations;
- (g) "Chief and Council" means the Customary Elected Chief, Customary Elected Deputy Chief or Customary Elected Councillor elected under these regulations, and also includes the Hereditary Chief;
- (h) "deputy returning officer" means a person appointed by the Chief Returning Officer to administer the voting at a polling station;
- (i) "Election Appeal Committee" means the two co-chairs of the Election Committee and the Chief Returning Officer that decides appeals about names appearing on the List of Voters;
- (j) "Election Committee" means the people nominated at a General Assembly to administer the conduct of elections;
- (k) "election day" means a day on which voting takes place not fewer than 31 days from the date of the Notice of Election;

- (l) "election period" means the time for an election from the date of the Notice of Election to the declaration of the official results;
- (m) "general election" means an election at which all positions for Chief and Council are vacant;
- (n) "interpreter" means a person appointed by the Chief Returning Officer to translate the deputy returning officer's directions for voting;
- (o) "Kaska ancestry" means a person who is descended from a parent or grandparent or adopted by person who is of Kaska family background;
- (p) "Kaska Dena Council" means a society, incorporated in British Columbia for the purpose of, among other things, representing the interest of all Kaska Dena people with respect to the negotiation and settlement of the Kaska Dena comprehensive land claim;
- (q) "Kaska traditional territory" means all of the lands Kaska people customarily reside on, as shown in the map entitled "Kaska Dena Nation Traditional Territory" which was signed by the leaders of the Kaska and submitted to government on or about November 1988;
- (r) "Liard First Nation" means the government for the group of members registered as the Liard First Nation in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Act, and includes the branch of the Liard First Nation government known as the Daylu Dena Council whose members live in Kaska traditional territory in British Columbia;
- (s) "List of Voters" means the list of the names of people who are entitled to vote at an election; "Notice of Election" means the information published by the Elections Committee to start the election period;
- (t) "Notice of election" means the information published by the Election Committee to start the election period;
- (u) "poll attendant" means a person appointed by the Chief Returning Officer to maintain order in and around a polling place;
- (v) "poll clerk" means a person appointed to assist the deputy returning officer in the conduct of the vote at a polling station;
- (w) "polling booth" means a compartment in which a voter marks a ballot paper in secret;
- (x) "polling place" means the location in which one or more polling stations are set up for voting;
- (y) "polling station" means the deputy returning officer, the poll clerk and the ballot box; there can be more than one polling station in a polling place.

3. Structure of the Liard First Nation Government

The structure of the Liard First Nation government will be as follows:

- (a) the Customary Elected Chief who must be a resident of the Yukon or the Kaska traditional territory in British Columbia;
- (b) four Councillors who must be residents of the Yukon. The four Councillors will be elected only by those persons who are residents of the Yukon;
- (c) the Customary Elected Deputy Chief who must be a resident of the Kaska traditional territory in British Columbia. The Deputy Chief will be elected only by those persons who are residents of the Kaska traditional territory in British Columbia;
- (d) two Councillors who must be residents of the Kaska traditional territory in British Columbia. The two Councillors will be elected only by those persons who are residents of the Kaska traditional territory in British Columbia;
- (e) the Hereditary Chief will be Dixon Lutz who will serve at the pleasure of the Elders' Council of the Liard First Nation;
- (f) the Elders' Council will be determined by the Elders, the Hereditary Chief, the Customary Elected Chief, the Customary Elected Deputy Chief and Councillors of the Liard First Nation.

4. Eligibility to Vote and Hold Office

- (1) In order to vote or be elected, a person must be on election day 18 years of age, and a member of the Liard First Nation and of Kaska ancestry, and be on the List of Voters.
- (2) A person does not lose the right to vote if absent from the Kaska traditional territory while otherwise eligible to vote.

5. Ineligibility to Hold Office

- (1) A person will be ineligible to be nominated for, or to hold office of, the Customary Elected Chief, the Customary Elected Deputy Chief or Councillor if:
 - (a) that person has been convicted of an indictable offence during a 24-month period prior to the date of the election; or
 - (b) that person has been charged with an indictable offence during the previous twelve months or during the term of office.
- (2) An employee of the Liard First Nation, Daylu Dena Council, Kaska Dena Council or Kaska Tribal Council will take a leave of absence from their position from the date of filing a nomination paper with the Chief Returning Officer to the day after election day.

6. Chief

The Customary Elected Chief and the Customary Elected Deputy Chief of the Liard First Nation will be elected by a majority of votes cast at a Liard First Nation election.

7. Councillors

The Councillors of the Liard First Nation will be elected by a majority of votes cast at a Liard First Nation election.

8. Term of Office

- (1) The Customary Elected Chief, the Customary Elected Deputy Chief and Councillors elected to the Liard First Nation government will hold office for a term of three years commencing at 10:00 a.m. on the 14th day following the Liard First Nation election until the declaration of the official results at the next general election following.
- (2) During the 14-day transition period between election day and the declaration of official results, any outgoing members of Chief and Council will refrain from executing decisions on behalf of the First Nation on financial, contractual or policy matters without the consent of the incoming Chief and Council.

9. Election Committee

- (1) Six qualified voters will be nominated to the Election Committee at a Liard First Nation General Assembly, of which at least two members will be from the Daylu Dena Council and at least two members will be from the Liard First Nation, which will administer the election.
- (2) There will be two co-chairs, one from Liard First Nation and one from Daylu Dena Council, selected by the members of the Election Committee at the first meeting of the Election Committee following their nomination at a General Assembly.
- (3) An Election Appeal Committee of the two Co-chairs and the Chief Returning Officer will be appointed to decide appeals referred to in sections 19(3) and 20(6).
- (4) The appointments of the members of the Election Committee will be from six months before a general election to six months before the next general election following.
- (5) A member of the Election Committee who files a nomination paper at the election will not be eligible to remain a member of the Election Committee.
- (6) A vacancy in the Election Committee members will not be filled during the term of appointment.
- (7) In the event that a General Assembly as described in section 9(1) is postponed due to unforeseen circumstances, a Special Community Meeting must be scheduled at least four months prior to an election to nominate an Election Committee.

10. Duties and Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the Election Committee are:

- (a) to exercise general responsibility for the administration of the election;
- (b) to appoint the Chief Returning Officer to administer the election;
- (c) to maintain the integrity of the election;

- (d) to direct the Chief Returning Officer to implement changes in policies or practices concerning the conduct of an election as expressed in a motion from a General Assembly and within the spirit of these Regulations;
- (e) to prepare and implement a public education plan;
- (f) to announce the official results of the election;
- (g) to deliver election records to the Chief and Council for the Liard First Nation archives.

11. Chief Returning Officer

The Election Committee will appoint a Chief Returning Officer who will not be an eligible voter, who will report to the Election Committee and be a non-voting member of the Election Committee, for a period starting not less than 14 days before the publication of the Notice of Election and ending not more than 21 days after election day.

12. Duties and Responsibilities

The Chief Returning Officer will:

- (a) post copies of the List of Voters and the Notice of Election received from the Election Committee in each community where voting will take place not later than three days after the date of the Notice of Election;
- (b) revise the list of voters received from the Election Committee and prepare a final list of the names in alphabetical order of the voters eligible to vote in the election;
- (c) accept nomination papers;
- (d) recruit and train election officials required for the conduct of the election and prepare written directions;
- (e) prepare and distribute all forms and ballot papers to the deputy returning officers;
- (f) obtain a sufficient number of ballot boxes; and
- (g) generally administer the election following these Regulations and any directions from the Election Committee.

13. Vacancies

The office of the Customary Elected Chief, the Customary Elected Deputy Chief or Councillor will become vacant when a person who holds that office:

- (a) is charged with or convicted of an indictable offence while holding office; or
- (b) dies or resigns from office; or
- (c) is removed as the result of a petition stating that such person is unfit to hold office which is signed by 50 per cent plus one of the Liard First Nation members who are eligible voters.

14. Filling of Vacancies

- (1) Should the office of the Customary Elected Chief, the Customary Elected Deputy Chief or a Councillor of the Liard First Nation become vacant due to the resignation, death or removal from office of the incumbent, a by-election will be held only where the unexpired term of office is greater than six months.
- (2) When the office of the Customary Elected Chief or the Customary Elected Deputy Chief becomes vacant and there is less than six months remaining in the

unexpired term of office, the Councillors will choose one from amongst themselves to be the Acting Chief of the Liard First Nation.

- (3) When the office of a Councillor becomes vacant and there is less than six months remaining in the unexpired term of office, the office will remain vacant to the expiry of the term of office.

15. By-elections

A by-election required to fill a vacancy will be conducted in substantially the same manner as a general election of Chief and Council.

16. Office Closure

The offices of Liard First Nation and Daylu Dena Council will be closed on election day.

17. Election Period

The election period will be as follows:

- (a) election day on a Monday not less than 31 days after the date of the Notice of Election with voting from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.;
- (b) nomination day 21 days before election day and nominations received from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.;
- (c) revision of the List of Voters on the 19th day before election day from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and on the 20th day before election day from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.;
- (d) advance polls on the 7th day before election day and voting will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.;
- (e) the declaration of the official results at 10:00 a.m. on the 14th day after election day.

18. Notice of Election

- (1) A Notice of Election dated not less than 31 days before election day and authorized by the Election Committee will be posted in all communities where voting will take place and published in Yukon newspapers.
- (2) The notice will state:
 - (a) the number of vacant positions;
 - (b) the locations, dates and times during which voting will take place;
 - (c) the place, date and time for nominating candidates;
 - (d) the place, dates and time during which the list of voters will be revised;
 - (e) the place, date and time at which the election will be declared; and
 - (f) the name of the person appointed as the Chief Returning Officer.

19. List of Voters

- (1) The Election Committee will prepare a list of all persons who are eligible to vote at the election of Customary Elected Chief, Customary Elected Deputy Chief and Councillors and provide that list to the Chief Returning Officer for posting.
- (2) Each candidate is entitled to receive one copy of the revised List of Voters not later than 17 days before election day.

- (3) Each candidate is entitled to receive a list of the names of people who voted at the advance polls six days before election day and, before the start of voting on election day, the names of people who received special ballots and those who successfully appealed to the Election Appeal Committee to have their names returned to the list.
- 20. Revision of the List of Voters**
- (1) Applications for changes to the List of Voters will be accepted on the 19th day before election day from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and on the 20th day before election day from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- (2) The Chief Returning Officer will add the name of an eligible voter by entering the name on the List of Voters and initialling the entry.
- (3) The Chief Returning Officer, on application in writing from a person who is eligible to vote and named on the list, will remove the name of any person who is on the list and:
- (a) is deceased;
- or, on election day
- (b) is not 18 years of age; or
 - (c) is not a member of the Liard First Nation; or
 - (d) is not of Kaska ancestry.
- (4) The Chief Returning Officer will:
- (a) draw a line through the name of the person to be removed and initial it; and
 - (b) immediately make reasonable efforts to advise the person that the name has been removed, and that they have up to seven days to appeal the removal to the Election Appeal Committee.
- (5) A voter who has identification can request a change to his or her name by applying to the Chief Returning Officer to have the spelling of their name corrected or changed in such a way that the voter can be identified as that person and the Chief Returning Officer will make the correction, or change, and initial it.
- (6) At the close of revisions to the List of Voters, no further changes can be made to the List of Voters except to add the name of any voter whose name was removed and who has successfully appealed to the Election Appeal Committee.
- 21. Nomination of Candidates**
- (1) A person can only be nominated for one position.
- (2) A nomination paper will be filed with the Chief Returning Officer, who will accept it if it is correctly completed, no later than 4:00 p.m. on nomination day.
- (3) A nomination paper will be completed on the form provided by the Election Committee and contain the following:
- (a) the name of the candidate and the candidate's residence address;
 - (b) the position for which the candidate is seeking election;

- (c) the names, addresses and signatures of not fewer than ten voters who are nominating the candidate;
 - (d) the witnessed consent of the candidate; and
 - (e) a declaration of agreement to provide to the Election Committee, if elected, proof of no convictions of indictable offences within the previous 24 months, no later than two days after receiving the documentation from the RCMP.
- (4) Nomination papers may be looked at by members of the public but cannot be reproduced.

22. Close of Nominations

- (1) If at the close of nominations there are insufficient nominations, or a number equal to the number of people to be elected to any position, the Chief Returning Officer will declare the candidates elected subject to proof of no convictions of indictable offences during the previous 24 months.
- (2) Immediately after the close of nominations, the Chief Returning Officer will, in front of any candidates who are present, conduct a draw for each position to establish the order of candidates' names on the ballot paper by:
 - (a) placing the name of each candidate on identical slips of paper folded in the same way;
 - (b) pulling one slip of paper at a time from a container; and
 - (c) recording each name as it is called out.

23. Ballot Papers

Separate printed ballot papers for each position will be as follows:

- (a) on the front of the ballot paper, the names of the candidates, in the order established by draw at the close of nominations, given names first followed by surnames in upper case letters with a circle across from each name into which a voter can indicate a choice;
- (b) on the reverse of the ballot papers, a space for the initials of the deputy returning officer, the phrase "Liard First Nation", the date of the election, the position to be elected, and, the name of the printing company;
- (c) printed on paper of sufficient weight that when folded the voter's choices are not apparent;
- (d) in books of 50 ballot papers with a consecutively numbered stub and counterfoil.

24. Deputy Returning Officers

- (1) The Chief Returning Officer will appoint a deputy returning officer for each polling station.
- (2) A deputy returning officer will:
 - (a) supervise the election under the direction of the Chief Returning Officer at a polling station;
 - (b) appoint, if authorized by the Chief Returning Officer, any additional personnel required to facilitate the elections;

- (c) secure the election documents and ballot boxes while in the custody of the deputy returning officer;
- (d) inform voters of the procedure to be followed in marking their ballot papers.

25. Poll Clerks

The Chief Returning Officer will appoint a poll clerk who is an eligible voter to assist the deputy returning officer at a polling station.

26. Advance Polls

- (1) An advance poll will take place on the 7th day before election day from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at locations determined by the Election Committee.
- (2) As soon as the last person has voted, the deputy returning officer and poll clerk will sign a seal which must be placed over the slit in the ballot box.
- (3) The deputy returning officer will prepare a list of names of the voters at the advance poll and deliver it immediately to the Chief Returning Officer.
- (4) The ballot papers marked at the advance poll will be counted at locations directed by the Chief Returning Officer at the same time as the ballots are counted on election day according to the directions for counting ballots.
- (5) The number of votes for each candidate will be transmitted to the Chief Returning Officer as directed by the Chief Returning Officer, as soon as the count is completed.

27. Special Ballots

- (1) Ballot papers will be delivered to voters who are:
 - (a) unable to vote in person on election day; or
 - (b) a prisoner in a correctional facility or a patient in a hospital.
- (2) A voter, except for a prisoner in a correctional facility or a patient in a hospital, who is unable to vote in person on election day must apply to the Chief Returning Officer who will deliver, or have delivered, a ballot paper to the voter.
- (3) A voter who has been issued a special ballot will not be issued a second ballot paper and will not appear in person to obtain a ballot paper at a polling station.

28. Interpreters

An interpreter will be appointed by the Chief Returning Officer to assist a voter to understand the directions for marking a ballot paper, when required to do so at a polling station.

29. Persons Present at the Polling Place

The following people only are entitled to be present and remain in a polling place or within 25 metres of the entrance to the polling place during the hours of voting:

- (a) deputy returning officers;
- (b) poll clerks;
- (c) candidates, seated away from the polling station;
- (d) one representative of each candidate at any given time, seated away from the polling station;

- (e) interpreters;
- (f) poll attendants;
- (g) the Chief Returning Officer;

and any person who is asked by the deputy returning officer, poll attendant or Chief Returning Officer to leave the polling place will do so immediately.

30. Candidates' Representatives

- (1) Each candidate is entitled to appoint in writing to the Chief Returning Officer, not later than seven days before election, one or more persons to represent the candidate at mandatory meetings called by the Chief Returning Officer and at the polling stations during the hours of voting.
- (2) Candidates' representatives are entitled to:
 - (a) observe but not interfere with the voting process;
 - (b) confirm a voter's name; and
 - (c) witness the ballot count.

31. Poll Attendants

The Chief Returning Officer will appoint poll attendants to keep order in and near the polling places during the hours of voting and a person who is requested by the poll attendant to cease an action or to leave the polling place will obey that direction.

32. Interference with Voter

No person will:

- (a) interfere, or attempt to interfere with a voter marking a ballot paper;
- (b) obtain, or attempt to obtain at the polling place, information as to how a voter is about to vote or has voted; or
- (c) speak with a voter who has indicated that they do not want to be spoken to.

33. Procedure on Election Day

- (1) The voting procedure on election day will be as follows:
 - (a) voters will announce their names to the deputy returning officer at the polling station;
 - (b) the poll clerk will confirm that the voter's name is on the list and draw a line through it;
 - (c) the deputy returning officer will:
 - (i) remove one folded ballot paper with the counterfoil attached for each position for which the voter is entitled to vote,
 - (ii) initial each one,
 - (iii) instruct the voter to mark the ballot papers for a certain number of candidates with an "X" across from the candidates' names, and
 - (iv) to return each one folded in the same way.
- (2) The voter will proceed immediately to the polling booth and

- (a) place a mark across from the name of each candidate for whom the voter is voting;
 - (b) fold the ballot papers as directed by the deputy returning officer; and
 - (c) deliver them to the deputy returning officer who will remove the counterfoils and deposit them in the ballot box without unfolding them.
- (3) A voter who is:
- (a) not able to read; or
 - (b) incapacitated by blindness or other physical cause;
- will be assisted by the deputy returning officer who will clear the area near the polling station, and while keeping secret the voter's choices, mark the ballot papers as the voter directs and deposit the marked ballot papers in the ballot box.
- (4) If a voter cannot be identified by the name on the list but it is believed that a name on the list is that of the voter, the voter will make a declaration stating that the name on the list is the name by which the voter is and has been known and be allowed to vote. If the voter refuses to take the declaration, the voter will not be issued any ballot papers and must leave the polling place.
- (5) Only one voter can mark ballot papers in a polling booth at one time.
- (6) The deputy returning officer and poll clerk will not advise voters for whom to vote.
- (7) The poll clerk will enter the word "voted" across from the voter's name when the ballot papers are deposited in the ballot box.

34. Spoiled Ballot Papers

- (1) A voter who marks a ballot paper for the wrong candidate, or in such a way that the voter could be identified, is entitled to receive another ballot paper.
- (2) The poll clerk will enter the words "issue of second ballot paper" across from the voter's name.

35. Loss of Right to Vote

- (1) A voter who has received ballot papers but refuses to return the ballot papers to the deputy returning officer as required has refused to vote and has lost the right to vote in the election.
- (2) The poll clerk will record the words "refused to vote" across from the voter's name.

36. Counting the Ballots

- (1) Immediately after the last voter present at the polling station at 8:00 p.m. has voted, the deputy returning officer will in front of not more than five witnesses, one of whom is the poll clerk:
 - (a) count the number of voters whose names have a line through them and the word "voted" across from the names;
 - (b) count the spoiled ballot papers for each position and seal them in an envelope with the word "spoiled" and the number of spoiled ballot papers per position marked on the envelope;

- (c) count the number of unused ballot papers for each position and seal them along with the stubs in an envelope with the word "unused" and the number of unused ballot papers per position marked on the envelope;
 - (d) open the ballot box and empty the contents onto a cleared space;
 - (e) separate the ballot papers by position into piles;
 - (f) one position at a time, call out and show for whom the ballots are marked while the witnesses record the number of votes on tally sheets;
 - (g) reject any ballots:
 - (i) marked for more than the number of candidates to be elected to a position;
 - (ii) marked in such a way that the voter can be identified; or
 - (iii) not issued by the deputy returning officer,
 and seal them in an envelope with the word "rejected" with the number of ballots per position marked on the envelope;
 - (h) seal the ballots for each position into separate envelopes and mark on each envelope the names of the candidates and the number of votes each received.
- (2) The deputy returning officer will advise the Chief Returning Officer as directed of the number of votes for each candidate at the polling station.
 - (3) The deputy returning officer will place all election documents and envelopes, including the List of Voters, in the ballot box, seal it, and transmit it to the Chief Returning Officer.

37. Observing the Counting of the Ballots

The Chief Returning Officer may provide an area at the polling place at which observers can be seated to watch the counting of the ballots and during that time observers cannot participate in the count and must remain seated in the area set aside for that purpose.

38. Statement of the Poll

- (1) The deputy returning officer will prepare sufficient copies of a statement with the results for each position as follows:
 - (a) the number of votes for each candidate, in the same order as the names appear on the ballot;
 - (b) the number of voters;
 - (c) the number of ballots in the ballot box;
 - (d) the number of rejected ballots;
 - (e) the number of spoiled ballot papers;
 - (f) the number of unused ballot papers; and
 - (g) the number of ballot papers received from the Chief Returning Officer which must equal the total number of ballots in the ballot box, the number of spoiled ballot papers, the number of ballot papers which were not returned to the deputy returning officer and the number of unused ballot papers;

- (h) the signature of the deputy returning officer and the date and location, along with any signatures of the witnesses.
- (2) A copy of the statements must be delivered by the Chief Returning Officer:
 - (a) to each candidate, who is entitled to receive a copy of the statement for the position;
 - (b) for all positions, to the Chief and Deputy Chief;
 - (b) for all positions, to the Chief Returning Officer; and
 - (c) for all positions, to the Election Committee.

39. Unofficial Results

The unofficial results on election day will be announced by the Chief Returning Officer following the counting of the ballots at all polling stations.

40. Recounts

- (1) The Chief Returning Officer will secure the unopened ballot boxes received from the deputy returning officers for seven days after polling day unless a request for a recount of the votes for a position is required.
- (2) If ten or fewer votes separate an elected candidate for a position and the candidate with the next highest number of votes, the Chief Returning Officer will recount the votes at a place and time not later than seven days after election day in front of any candidates or their representatives.
- (3) A voter may, within seven days of election day, request a recount of the ballots for a position, if the voter believes that the ballots were counted incorrectly.
- (4) At the recount, the Chief Returning Officer will count the ballots for a position and on the copy of the statement prepared on election day, make any corrections.

41. Tie Vote

- (1) In the event that an equal number of votes for candidates for the position of Chief or Deputy-Chief, or an equal number of votes for the second place candidates for the position of Councillor in British Columbia, or an equal number of votes for the fourth place candidates for the position of Councillor in Yukon are announced, the Chief Returning Officer will immediately decide the candidate elected to the position by drawing lots.
- (2) An Election Officer will prepare an identical slip of paper with one candidate's name on each one and fold each one in the same way.
- (3) The Chief Returning Officer will draw one slip of paper, unfold it and read the candidate's name to break the tie.

42. Official Results

- (1) Not earlier than 14 days after election day, at 10:00 a.m., the Chief Returning Officer will declare elected the candidates who have received the greatest number of votes for the positions of Customary Elected Chief, Customary Elected Deputy Chief and Councillors for the Liard First Nation.
- (2) The Election Committee will announce the official results by publishing a notice in Yukon newspapers.

43. Election Documents

The Election Committee will deliver to the Liard First Nation Government following the declaration of the official results and not later than 21 days after election day:

- (a) the statements of the results, including any changes at a recount;
- (b) the completed nomination papers;
- (c) a copy of the List of Voters used at the polling stations;
- (d) any decisions taken during the election period or written directions to the Chief Returning Officer; and
- (e) any recommendations, which could improve the conduct of elections of the Liard First Nation Government.

APPENDIX A

ELECTION PERIOD CALENDAR – LIARD FIRST NATION CHIEF AND COUNCIL ELECTION

<u>Day</u>	<u>Activity</u>
45	Appointment of Chief Returning Officer
31 Friday	Notice of Election Preliminary List of Voters Posted
30 Saturday	
to	
22 Sunday	
21 Monday	Nomination Day – 10 am to 4 pm
20 Tuesday	Revision of Lists – 4 pm to 8 pm
19 Wednesday	Revision of Lists – 10 am to 2 pm
18 Thursday	
17 Friday	Final List of Voters Posted Final List of Voters to Candidates
16 Saturday	
15 Sunday	
14 Monday	Issue of Special Ballot Papers
13 Tuesday	
12 Wednesday	
11 Thursday	Train Advance Poll Officials
10 Friday	
9 Saturday	
8 Sunday	
7 Monday	Advance Poll – 10 am to 6 pm
6 Tuesday	List of Voters, Advance Poll to Candidates
5 Wednesday	
4 Thursday	Train Regular Poll Officials
3 Friday	
2 Saturday	
1 Sunday	
0 Monday	Voting Day – 8 am to 8 pm
+7 Monday	
+14 Monday	Declaration of Election/Official Results
+15 Tuesday	Term of Office Commences
+20 Sunday	Appointment of CEO Ends

**APPENDIX B
DRAFT FORMAT FOR THE NOTICE OF ELECTION
LIARD FIRST NATION CHIEF AND COUNCIL ELECTION**

AN ELECTION WILL TAKE PLACE ON (day, month, year) TO ELECT:

ONE CUSTOMARY ELECTED CHIEF

ONE CUSTOMARY ELECTED DEPUTY CHIEF

FOUR COUNCILLORS (YUKON RESIDENTS)

TWO COUNCILLORS (BRITISH COLUMBIA RESIDENTS)

FOR THE LIARD FIRST NATION.

- **NOMINATION DAY:** (day, month, year) FROM 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M AT (location)
WATSON LAKE, YUKON.

- **REVISION OF THE LIST OF VOTERS:** (day, month, year) FROM 4:00 P.M. TO
8:00P.M. and (day, month, year) FROM 10A.M.TO 2P.M. AT (location),WATSON
LAKE, YUKON.

- **ADVANCE POLL:** (day, month, year) FROM 10 A.M. TO 6 P.M. AT
--- NOTE THAT THE ELECTION COMMITTEE SETS ADVANCE POLL LOCATIONS,
AND COULD DECIDE TO HAVE A REGULAR POLL ONLY IN WHITEHORSE ---
(location), Lower Post, British Columbia
(location), Watson Lake, Yukon
(location), Whitehorse, Yukon

- **VOTING DAY:** (day, month, year) FROM 8 A.M. TO 8 P.M AT

(location), Lower Post, British Columbia
(location), Upper Liard, Yukon
(location), Watson Lake, Yukon
(location), Whitehorse, Yukon

THE CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER IS (name).

(name of Election Committee co-chair)

(name of Election Committee co-chair)

(date of notice)

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DECLARATION OF IDENTITY

Polling Station Location

Date

I declare that I believe that I am the person named on the list of voters shown to me
of the name _____

which I am or have been known by,

and that my address is _____

and that I have not already voted at this election.

Signature of Voter