



Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections 2015

Uchucklesaht Tribe

Certification by Chief Electoral Officer

I, Kit Spence of North Saanich, in the Province of British Columbia, Chief Electoral Officer for the Uchucklesaht Tribe, DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

1. My Deputy Chief Electoral Officer, Nigel Atkin, was personally present at Port Alberni on November 14, 2015 when Citizens of the Uchucklesaht Tribe voted in an election in accordance with the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014.
2. A true copy of the Notice of Election is attached as Exhibit “1” to this Declaration.
3. In accordance with section 2.4 of the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS35/2014 the Notice of Election was posted at least sixty (60) days prior to the Election Day.
4. The voting procedure was conducted in accordance with Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014

5. The results of the election for Chief Councillor is as follows:

- a) the names of 204 Voters appeared on the Voters List prepared pursuant to Part 5 of Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014 and the number of Voters who were entitled to cast a vote was 204;
- b) 87 Chief Councillor ballots were cast in the election;
- c) 1 Chief Councillor ballots were rejected in accordance with section 10.4 (b) (i)(A) of the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014);
- d) 0 (zero) Chief Councillor ballots were spoiled in accordance with section 7 of the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014 and were not counted in b. above.

The following table lists in detail the results of the count of the 86 valid ballots cast:

Candidate	Paper Ballots	E-Votes	Total Votes
Charles Cootes Sr.	12	21	33
Charles Kelly Cootes	14	0	14
Megan Cootes	7	2	9
Carla Halvorsen	23	7	30
Rejected	0	0	0
Total Votes Cast	56	30	86

6. The following candidate was elected to the Office of Chief Councillor:

Charles Cootes Sr.

7. **The results of the election for Family Councillors are as follows:**

There being only one candidate for the office of family councilor for the Cootes_1 Family I hereby declare **Wilfred Cootes Jr.** elected as Cootes_1 Family Councilor.

There being only one candidate for the office of family councilor for the Ruch Family I hereby declare **Regina Rush** elected as Rush Family Councilor.

There being only one candidate for the office of family councilor for the Robinson Family I hereby declare **Sabrina Crowley** elected as Robinson Family Councilor.

AND I MAKE THIS SOLEMN DECLARATION conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.



Chief Electoral Officer, Uchucklesaht Tribe

NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH UCHUCKLESAHT LAW



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Notice of Election and Nomination Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the Citizens of the Uchucklesaht Tribe that an election will be held for the offices of:

- Chief Councillor
- Five members of Council elected individually on a family basis
- One member of Council elected by those citizens not identified as belonging to one of the five Uchucklesaht families

on **Saturday November 14, 2015 in the Port Alberni Lawn Bowling Hall at 4255 Wallace Street Port Alberni.** Polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

A nomination meeting will be held on **Saturday September 26, 2015 at 1:00 p.m at the Echo Park Field House 4200 Wood Avenue Port Alberni, BC** at which time eligible voters will be able to nominate candidates for all offices.

Eligible citizens who are interested in being candidates for any office may get a Nomination Package from the UTG Administration Office or from the UTG Web site. (<http://www.uchucklesaht.ca>)

Eligible citizens who wish to nominate someone as a candidate must submit a nomination form to the Chief Electoral Officer before 1:00 September 25, 2015 through the UTG Administration Office or in person at the nomination meeting on September 26, 2015. Nomination forms are available at the UTG Administration Offices or online at the UTG Web site. (<http://www.uchucklesaht.ca>)

All nominations must be seconded by an eligible voter at the nomination meeting in order to be considered.

Prospective candidates who have been duly nominated and seconded will have until October 2, 2015 to complete their nomination package and submit it to the Chief Electoral Officer.

A notice of poll and list of candidates will be issued by the Chief Electoral Officer by October 6, 2015

Eligible voters may vote:

1. At the regular poll on Saturday November 14, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Port Alberni Lawn Bowling Hall at 4255 Wallace Street Port Alberni.

2. At the advance poll to be held on November 3, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the UTG Administration offices in Port Alberni.
3. By mail-in ballot. Mail-in ballots will be sent to all citizens who reside outside of a 25 km radius of Port Alberni and may be sent to citizens who reside within 25 km upon receipt of a request to the Chief Electoral Officer for a mail-in ballot package.
4. Electronically on the Internet from November 5 – 11, 2015. Personal Identification Numbers (PIN) and instructions for electronic voting will be sent to all citizens who reside outside of a 25 km radius of Port Alberni and may be sent to citizens who reside within 25 km upon receipt of a request to the Chief Electoral Officer for an electronic voting package.

A list of eligible voters is posted in the UTG Administration Offices in Port Alberni and on the UTG Web site at <http://www.uchucklesaht.ca>

More information about the election, the nomination process, the voters list, and the voting may be obtained from the Chief Electoral Officer who may be contacted by email at UT_CEO@shaw.ca or by telephone at 250-881-0142.

Given under my hand this 8th day of September 2015,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kit Spence". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kit Spence
Chief Electoral Officer
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Count Reconciliation

<u>Votes Cast</u>	Advance Poll	<u> 14 </u> (1) From Advance Poll Reconciliation
	Mail-in	<u> 8 </u> (2) From Mail-in Reconciliation
	Ordinary Poll	<u> 34 </u> (3) From Regular Poll Reconciliation
	Electronic Votes	<u> 30 </u> (4) From E-Vote Report
	= Total Valid Ballots Cast	<u> 86 </u> (5)
	Total of (1)+(2)+(3)+(4)	

Votes Cast by Candidate

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Original signed by Nigel Atkin Deputy Chief Electoral Officer

Electoral Officer Name

Electoral Officer Signature

Witness Name

Witness Signature