

DECLARATION OF RATIFICATION OFFICER
(Regular Polls)

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Province of British Columbia)


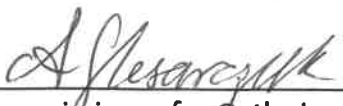
I, Lawrence Lewis, Ratification Officer for Hiawatha First Nation in the Province of Victoria, DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

1. I was the Ratification Officer of the Hiawatha First Nation on the 15th day of May, 2021 when Eligible Voters of Hiawatha First Nation voted concerning approval of *the Hiawatha First Nation Land Code* and Individual Agreement in accordance with the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process.
2. A true copy of the Notice of Vote is attached as Annex "1" to this declaration.
3. In accordance with clause 8.1 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process, I posted the Notice of Vote at least 42 days prior to the Official Voting Day.
4. In accordance with clause 8.3 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process, I arranged for the Notice of Vote to be published in the Peterborough Examiner and Weekly Newspaper at least 15 days prior to the Official Voting Day.
5. In accordance with section 9 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process, a copy of the Notice of Vote and a Voter Information Package were sent to each person on the List of Eligible Voters at their last known address or e-mail address at least 42 days prior to the Official Voting Day.
6. In accordance with clauses 9.6, 9.7 and 9.8 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process, visits at the homes of Eligible Voters, telephone contact with Eligible Voters and information meetings were conducted.
7. In accordance with clause 10.1 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process, the information package was sent to any persons who are not Citizens who hold an interest in Hiawatha First Nation Land at least 28 days prior to the Official Voting Day.
8. The voting procedure, including the handling of electronic ballots, Mail-in Ballots and the counting of results, was conducted in accordance with sections 12, and 14 to 22, both inclusive, of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process.
9. The names of 723 Eligible Voters appeared on the List of Eligible Voters.
10. The number of participating Eligible Voters was 315.
11. The number of participating Eligible Voters who constituted a majority was 158.
12. The results of the Ratification Vote are as follows:

- (a) 194 electronic ballots were cast in the Ratification Vote in accordance with sections 14, 15 and clause 18.4 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process;
- (b) 78 Mail-in Ballots were cast in the Ratification Vote in accordance with section 16 and clause 18.4 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process;
- (c) 43 Regular Ballots were cast in the Ratification Vote in accordance with section 17 and 18 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process;
- (d) 3 Mail-in Ballots were rejected in accordance with clause 16.14 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process and not opened or deposited into the ballot box;
- (e) 3 Regular Ballots were spoiled as provided in clause 17.18 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process;
- (f) 0 Regular Ballots were cancelled in accordance with clause 17.19 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process;
- (g) 0 ballots were rejected in accordance with section 19 of the Hiawatha First Nation Community Ratification Process;
- (h) 172 ballots were marked "YES" for the Ballot Question; and
- (i) 140 ballots were marked "NO" for the Ballot Question.

13. Based on the need to meet or exceed the number in item 8, above, the Ratification Documents were **APPROVED** by the Eligible Voters of the Hiawatha First Nation.

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

DECLARED BEFORE me at the City)
 of Victoria in the Province of)
British Columbia, this 17 day of May, 2021.)
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) Ratification Officer
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) A Commissioner for Oaths in and for the

Agatha I. Slusarczyk
 A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits
 for British Columbia While employed by
 Mulronev Siver Law
 Appointment Expiry: July 31, 2023

**HIAWATHA FIRST NATION
2021 LAND CODE COMMUNITY RATIFICATION PROCESS
ALL POLLING STATIONS**

Count declared 15th May, 2021

This document declares and confirms the Official Ballot Count of ALL Ballots properly recorded for the Hiawatha First Nation 2021 Land Code Community Ratification Process, immediately following the close of the **Regular Polls**, and that the audit below accounts for ALL the Ballots properly cast at this polling location.

“DO YOU APPROVE THE HIAWATHA FIRST NATION LAND CODE DATED FOR REFERENCE MARCH 24, 2021, AND THE INDIVIDUAL AGREEMENT WITH HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA?”

	TOTAL
TOTAL BALLOTS	315
SPOILED BALLOTS	3
YES	172
NO	140
NOTES NOTHING NOTABLE @ POLLS	

SIGNED AND DECLARED,

Lawrence Lewis, Ratification Officer



Signature

Hiawatha First Nation Official Count Declaration

Election dates: 09:00 AM EDT, Apr 06, 2021 - 08:00 PM EDT, May 15, 2021

Hiawatha First Nation
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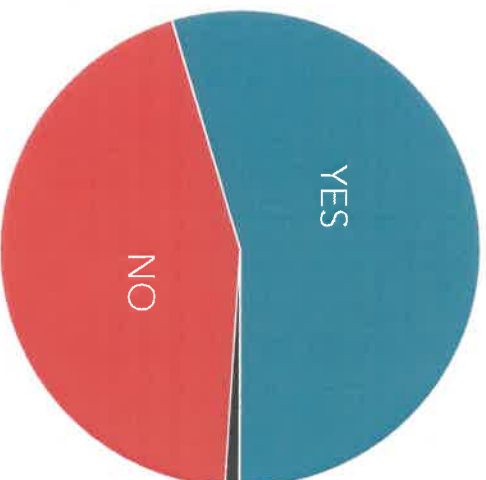
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TOTAL BALLOTS CAST
315

VOTE BREAKDOWN

PARTICIPATION OF REGISTERED VOTERS
43.57%

Signed and Declared,
Lawrence Lewis, Ratification Officer
May 15, 2021



YES 54.6% 172 Votes

NO 44.44% 140 Votes

Spoiled 0.95% 3 Votes

POLLING STATION COUNTS

	Administration Building Lower Hall	Mail In	Electronic	Total
YES	12	47	113	172
NO	31	28	81	140
Spoiled	0	3	0	3