

NOTICE OF RATIFICATION VOTE

Friday, September 2, 2022

TO: THE MEMBERS OF MATACHEWAN FIRST NATION

TAKE NOTICE that a Ratification Vote of the Voters of Matachewan First Nation pursuant to the Voting Guidelines of the Matachewan First Nation Treaty Land Entitlement Claim (the "Voting Guidelines") will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022 to determine if the Voters of Matachewan First Nation approve and assent to the Matachewan First Nation Treaty Land Entitlement Claim Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") between Ontario and Matachewan First Nation summarized in this Notice and attached as Appendix "A."

The following Ballot Question will be asked of the Voters of Matachewan First Nation by secret ballot, as set out in the Settlement Agreement:

As a Voter of the Matachewan First Nation, do you:

- (a) **agree to** all of the terms and conditions of the Matachewan Treaty Land Entitlement Settlement Agreement initialed by the negotiators for Matachewan and Ontario on August 25, 2022, and dated for reference the 25th day of August, 2022, which settles and releases the Matachewan Treaty Land Entitlement Claim;

and

- (b) **authorize and direct** present and future Chiefs and Councils of the Matachewan First Nation to act on behalf of the Matachewan First Nation and its members, to sign all documents and do everything necessary to give effect to the Matachewan Treaty Land Entitlement Settlement Agreement?

Information Meetings for purposes of the Ratification Vote will be held on

DATE: Saturday, September 17, 2022

TIME: 1:00p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Matachewan First Nation
Log Building

The Ratification Vote will take place on

DATE: Saturday, October 1, 2022

TIME: 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Matachewan First Nation
Log Building

Included with this Notice of Ratification Vote are copies of the Settlement Agreement, and such other information as the Matachewan First Nation Council determines.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that a Voters List is posted with this Notice of Ratification Vote.

Articles 6.2 and 6.3 of the Voting Guidelines provide:

6.2 A Member may apply to the Ratification Officer before the Voting Day to have the Voters List revised if such Member believes that:

6.2.1 the name of a Voter has been omitted from the Voters List; or

6.2.2 the name of a Voter is incorrectly set out or should not be included on the Voters List.

6.3 A Member may, up to and including on the Voting Day, apply to the Ratification Officer to have their name added to the Voters List if that Member provides:

6.3.1 proof of eligibility to vote by completing the Declaration of Membership and Eligibility to Vote Form substantially in the form of Appendix "C". This proof shall include documentation that verifies that the Voter's name is recorded on the band list, and that the Voter is at least eighteen years old on the date of the Ratification Vote and not disqualified from voting in band elections.

6.3.2 Upon receipt and confirmation of the information in the Declaration of Membership and Eligibility to Vote Form, the Ratification Officer will revise the Voters List.

OR You can also vote on line with Simply Voting at the Simply Voting website at:

<https://matachewanfirstnation.simplyvoting.com>

Please note that you will need your full band number and birthdate in order to sign onto the site.

DATED at Matachewan First Nation, in the Province of Ontario, this 2nd day of September 2022.

An application for an amendment to the Voters List or a request for a copy of the Voting Guidelines or forms should be made to the Ratification Officer at:

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