

# YAQIT ʔA-KNUQ#I'IT FIRST NATION 2025 ELECTION

## NOTICE OF COUNCIL ACCOUNTABILITY ROSTER NOMINATION MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Yaqit ʔa-knuq#i'it First Nation will hold a Nomination Meeting on **June 12, 2025**, in accordance with the *Tobacco Plains Indian Band Custom Election Law (2019)*, for the purpose of electors nominating members for the seven (7) positions on the Council Accountability Roster for the ensuing term of office, in an Election set by Council to be held on **July 31, 2025**.

### NOMINATION MEETING

**JUNE 12, 2025**

**6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE - COMMUNITY ROOM**  
**5500 Village Loop Road, Grasmere, BC**

An “elector” means a person who is a registered member and at least eighteen (18) years of age as of the date of the Election. A person may confirm their inclusion on the Electors’ List by contacting the Electoral Officer.

Each elector may nominate or second up to two (2) candidates for the Council Accountability Roster, but a person can't nominate or second themselves. An elector may nominate a candidate by:

- (a) completing and signing a Nomination Form in front of a witness who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, having that witness sign that Nomination Form and ensuring that Nomination Form is received by the electoral officer by the close of the Nomination Meeting; or
- (b) attending the Nomination Meeting and making their nomination in person.

To be eligible for candidacy, a person must be an elector and:

- a) not have been convicted of an indictable criminal offence to which they have not received either a pardon or record suspension in accordance with the Criminal Records Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. C-47, unless that offence relates to their exercise of aboriginal rights or the conviction is from before they turned 18 years of age;
- b) not have a civil court judgment against them, or a criminal conviction, in respect of any matter involving theft or fraud, unless the conviction is from before they turned 18 years of age;
- c) not have been removed from a position on Council within four (4) years prior to the date of the nomination meeting; and
- d) not be in arrears for any debt to Tobacco Plains Indian Band or a Tobacco Plains Indian Band business entity, unless:
  - i. at least six (6) months before election day they enter into a written debt repayment agreement with Tobacco Plains Indian Band, and
  - ii. they are in good standing in relation to their debt repayment agreement.

To become a candidate, nominees must deliver the following to the Electoral Officer by **June 17, 2025**:

1. Candidate Declaration;
2. Written Proof they have applied to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for a criminal record check, which results shall be sent directly to the electoral officer;
3. A letter signed by the director of finance of Tobacco Plains Indian Band and by a finance officer of each Tobacco Plains Indian Band business entity stating:
  - a) whether the nominee owes a debt to Tobacco Plains Indian Band or a Tobacco Plains Indian Band business entity, as applicable, and
  - b) if that person is party to a debt repayment agreement with regard to that debt, the date on which the person entered into that debt repayment agreement, along with whether that person is in good standing with regard to that debt repayment agreement.

There is no restriction on whether persons voted to be on the Council Accountability Roster are immediate relatives to one another.

The Election Law, Nomination form, Candidate Package and the Electors’ List will be available during regular business hours at the Band Administration Office; can be requested from the Electoral Officer; and will be available on the webpage:

[www.onefeather.ca/nations/tobacco Plains](http://www.onefeather.ca/nations/tobacco Plains)

Information will also be posted on the Nation website:

<https://tobacco Plains.org/>

### NOTICE OF ELECTION

**JULY 31, 2025**

**8:00 AM – 9:00 PM**

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE - COMMUNITY ROOM**  
**5500 Village Loop Road, Grasmere, BC**

Electors may vote in person at the Polling Station, online, by telephone, or by Mail-in Ballot in this election.

*Dated June 4, 2025.*

**For more information or assistance please contact OneFeather:**  
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