

MOHAWKS OF KANESATAKE 2025 GENERAL ELECTION

CANCELLATION OF AUGUST 2 POLLS

Please be advised that the polling stations scheduled for Saturday, August 2, 2025 have been cancelled. I apologize to electors and candidates for any inconvenience caused by this decision.

Due to numerous flaws in the Custom Electoral Code resulting in an inevitably flawed election process, I met with the incumbent Council and informed them earlier today of my decision to stop this election.

Key reasons include the lack of provisions in the Code for ensuring that electors are duly informed throughout the election process, unworkable timelines to ensure that nominees are properly screened before including their name on a ballot (resulting in names of several ineligible nominees and candidates whose name should not appear on a ballot), onerous requirements for electors to receive a ballot and vote remotely if required, and an unacceptable method of tie-breaking that empowers the Appeal Board members to “vote over” all other electors and determine the Grand Chief and/or Chief.

I have recommended to Council that they implement an expedited process that applies the amended and ratified Code in a properly administered election.



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