



Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

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St. REGIS TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD ANNOUNCES OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

Voters Elect New Chief and Decide Referendums

AKWESASNE TERRITORY – St. Regis Mohawk Tribe held its annual election on Saturday, June 6, 2009, in the lobby of the Tribal Community Center. Voter turn-out was steady all day as people turned out to vote for a new Tribal Chief to occupy Tribal Chief Barbara Lazore's seat. After serving two terms, Chief Lazore has decided not to run for another term. A Sub-Chief seat was also up for election and incumbent Sub-Chief Stacy Adams was challenged by ten write-in candidates. Incumbent Corleen Jackson-Jacco ran unopposed on the ticket for Tribal Clerk.

Mark Garrow and David Back were both on the ballot for Tribal Chief. A total of 550 votes were cast, with Garrow receiving 358 votes with 29 absentee ballot votes for a total of 387 votes. Back received 118 votes and 14 absentee ballot votes for a total of 132 votes. Numerous members received a total of 15 write-in votes. Sixteen ballots were void.

Stacy Adams received 300 votes for Tribal Sub-Chief, and 20 absentee votes for a total of 320. Ten write-in candidates received a total of 201 votes. Twenty-four ballots were void and one was spoiled.

Corleen Jacco received 459 votes and 31 absentee votes for Tribal Clerk for a total of 490. Various write-in candidates received 17 votes and 31 ballots were void.

Voters also decided two referendum issues during the June 6th vote, "Should the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe exit the National Grid system and form a Tribal Electrical Utility?" This issue was approved by a vote of 445 to 102. The other issue on the ballot for referendum is the question, "Do you want tribal land disputes to be decided by the tribal court?" Voters approved this issue by a margin of 388 to 151.

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The St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council is the duly elected and federally recognized government of the St. Regis Mohawk People.

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