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Voters Elect Hart as Tribal Chief

Unofficial Results of Election Announced

AKWESASNE, NY — The St. Regis Mohawk Tribe held its annual tribal elections on Saturday, June 5, 2010, with community members casting ballots for the positions of Tribal Chief, Tribal Sub-Chief, two Tribal Traffic Court Judges and Chief Judge.

This year's unofficial election results were made available by the Tribal Election Board about six hours after the polls closed. The unofficial results showed Randy Hart being elected to a three-year term as Tribal Chief, with Shelley Jacobs also serving a three-year term after being elected as Tribal Sub-Chief. Tribal Court Incumbents Steven B. Cook and Lois Terrance ran unopposed for Traffic Court Judges One and Two, and Peter J. Herne ran unopposed for the Chief Judge position.

Randy Hart won a seat as Tribal Chief with a total of 502 votes. Four hundred sixty-seven ballots were cast in support of Hart during the day of the tribal election, with 35 absentee ballots. Ronald LaFrance, Jr. received 325 votes on Saturday and 65 votes by absentee ballots for a total of 390. Incumbent James Ransom received 154 votes on Saturday and 25 votes by absentee ballots for a total of 179. One write-in candidate, Peter Bigtree, received one total vote by absentee ballot. For Chief, 11 ballots were void.

Shelley Jacobs garnered 469 total votes (413 ballots with 56 absentee) for Tribal Sub-Chief. Jennifer Standing Arrow received 296 total votes (264 ballots with 32 absentee). Wade James McDonald received 89 total votes (79 ballots with 10 absentee). Margaret Rourke Bay received 71 total votes (64 ballots with 7 absentee). Agnes Terrance received 75 total votes (65 ballots with 10 absentee). Eight community members received 40 write-in votes. For Tribal Sub-Chief, 30 ballots were void.

Steven B. Cook received 932 total votes for Traffic Court Judge One. Twenty-three community members received 29 total write-in votes. For Traffic Court Judge One, 65 ballots were void. Lois Terrance received 912 total votes for Traffic Court Judge Two. Twenty-two community members received 29 total write-in votes. For Traffic Court Judge Two, 119 ballots were void. Peter Herne received 953 total votes (828 ballots and 125 absentee) for Chief Judge. Seventeen community members received 26 total write-in votes. For Chief Judge, 93 ballots were void.

The Election Board extends its thanks to all tribal members that voted in this year's election and to all the candidates who ran for office. The Tribal Election Board will officially certify the election results after a five-day period, pending any appeals, and announce those results as soon as they are finalized.

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