

WASKESIU COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.



Waskesiu Community Council

2024 ELECTION

The Waskesiu Community Council has an important advisory role to play in relation to Parks Canada Agency as the recognized voice of the Waskesiu community.

There is a seven-member Council and elections are held every three years in respect of all seven Council members - and 2024 is an election year.

Please consider running for a seat on Council and please remember to vote.

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Waskesiu Community Association Inc.
COMMUNITY COUNCIL 2024 ELECTION
A Guide for Prospective Community Council Candidates

There are seven (7) members of the Waskesiu Community Council to be elected consisting of:

- One member of Council elected by members of the Waskesiu Community Association Inc. (the “**Association**”) eligible for membership in the Waskesiu Seasonal Residents Association Inc. (“**WSRA**”) and who are leaseholders in the cabin area of the Waskesiu Townsite;
- One member of Council elected by members of the Association eligible for membership in the WSRA and who are leaseholders in the cottage areas of the Waskesiu Townsite;
- One member of Council elected by members of the Association who are commercial lessees (or sublessees to a commercial lease) with Parks Canada Agency in the Waskesiu Townsite;
- One member elected by those Waskesiu Townsite residents who are residents other than those referred to in any of the categories above; and
- Three (3) members at large elected by all members of the Association.

Before you file:

Here are some things you should consider before you file your nomination paper:

Are you qualified?

A candidate must be a person who:

- is 18 years of age;
- is a Canadian citizen;
- either has resided in community of Waskesiu for three consecutive months prior to election day, or has been a lessee, licensee, or is the single designated representative of a corporation that is a lessee or licensee, of assessable property within the boundaries of the Waskesiu townsite as defined in Schedule ‘A’ as registered on the plan of record 34153 in the Canada Lands Survey, or the spouse or common law spouse of one of the preceding parties to a land use agreement.

Are you eligible to be nominated?

You would not be eligible to become a candidate under any of the following circumstances:

- you are a judge of a court;
- you are an auditor or solicitor of the Waskesiu Townsite; or
- you are otherwise disqualified from holding office under the Association’s governing statute (*The Non-profit Corporations Act, 1995* of Saskatchewan).

Do you have the time?

There will be demands on your time. You will be elected for a 3-year term of office beginning immediately after the election. You will be required to attend:

- regular meetings of Council;
- meetings of Council committees; and
- meetings of other boards and agencies to which you are appointed as Council’s representative.

You will also need to spend time reading and talking with local/seasonal residents, the Waskesiu Townsite Manager, the Field Unit Superintendent for Prince Albert National Park, and many others. This will all be part of the necessary preparation for Council meetings so that you can make informed decisions.

What other information should you have?

Talk to the current members of Council for further information. This will help you in your campaign and will assist you in assuming office should you be elected.

For a further understanding of issues within Prince Albert National Park and the Waskesiu Townsite, be familiar with the Waskesiu Community Memorandum of Understanding between Parks Canada Agency and the Community Council. You should also review the Community Council’s “Community Action Plan”, and the Waskesiu Community Association Inc.’s By-laws. All such documents are available on the www.waskesiu.org website, which is maintained and administered by the Community Council. In addition, the Prince Albert National Park Management Plan, and the

Waskesiu Community Plan, are available from the PANP Administration offices.

Filing your nomination

You and five people eligible to vote in the same category as you are being nominated for in the election must sign your form. A candidate shall not nominate himself/herself.

For each nominator, the form must include that person's name, address and signature. Two people (who do not have to be eligible to vote) must witness your signature.

The Call for Nominations will be posted until **Friday, July 5, 2024 ("Nomination Day")**.

Completed nomination forms must be:

- received by 4 p.m. on Friday, July 5, 2024 by mail addressed to the Returning Officer c/o Waskesiu Community Association, Box 203, Waskesiu Lake, SK, S0J 2Y0; or
- received by 4 p.m. on Friday, July 5, 2024 at the PANP Administration Office, Attention: Gregg Rutten

The Returning Officer will inspect the nomination form to ensure it is complete.

Nomination Packages

Nomination packages can be obtained from the PANP Administration office or on-line at <https://www.waskesiu.org/community-news>

Candidate

The nomination form states that you declare you are eligible for nomination, not disqualified from holding office, and that you will accept the office if you are elected. You must confirm this by signing the form and acquiring two witness's signatures.

Note: There is no withdrawal period following the close of nominations on Friday, July 5, 2024

Equal nominations

If the number of nominations is equal to the number of Councilors to be elected, the Returning Officer will declare the person(s) so nominated to be elected.

No Late Nominations

The Returning Officer cannot accept nominations after 4:00 p.m. on Nomination Day.

Election Day

The polling station will be at the **Waskesiu Recreation Hall (at 1305 Montreal Drive) in Waskesiu Lake on Sunday, August 4, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

All ballot boxes are kept sealed (locked) until the close of the voting stations. Then the ballots are counted.

Only the candidates or their agent may be present to scrutineer during the counting of ballots, but they must be in attendance prior to the count commencing.

Candidates or their agents arriving late will not be allowed in after the counting of ballots has begun.

Unofficial results are usually made available promptly following counting. The official results will be announced on Monday, August 5, 2024 on www.waskesiu.org/community-news

Voter Eligibility

Each voter must be:

- 18 years of age or older;
- a Canadian citizen;
- a resident in the community of Waskesiu for three consecutive months prior to election day; or for at least three consecutive months prior to election day has been a lessee, licensee, or is the single designated representative of a corporation that is a lessee or licensee, of assessable property within the boundaries of the Waskesiu Townsite as defined in Schedule 'A' as registered on the plan of record 34153 in the Canada Lands Survey, or the spouse or common law spouse of one of the preceding parties to a land use agreement.

A voter may qualify under several categories but may only vote once. Voters that are eligible to vote will be asked to sign a declaration form on the day of the election (or at the advance poll) stating they are eligible to vote based on the above-mentioned criteria.

For further information, please contact the Waskesiu Community Council Administrator at (306) 652-1666.

This guide is an information summary only and has no legal or legislative sanction.

WASKESIU COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.
Waskesiu Community Council
Nomination Form - 2024 Election

We, the undersigned, being members of the Waskesiu Community Association Inc. (the “**Association**”) and in accordance with the By-laws of the Association, hereby nominate:

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

to be a candidate, in the election to be held on **Sunday, August 4, 2024**, to become a Director of the Waskesiu Community Association Inc. and also a Councilor on the Waskesiu Community Council representing:

(Please check one)

- Members of the Association eligible for membership in the Waskesiu Seasonal Residents Association Inc. (the “**WSRA**”) who are leaseholders in the cabin area of the Waskesiu Townsite (One (1) Councilor)
- Members of the Association eligible for membership in the WSRA who are leaseholders in the cottage areas of the Waskesiu Townsite (One (1) Councilor)
- Members of the Association who are commercial lessees (or sublessees to a commercial lease) with Parks Canada Agency in the Waskesiu Townsite (One (1) Councilor)
- Members of the Association who are residents of the Waskesiu Townsite other than those residents referred to in any of the categories above (One (1) Councilor)
- Members at large of the Association (Three (3) Councilors)

Nominators must be members of the Waskesiu Community Association Inc. eligible in the same category as the nominee indicated above:

<u>Name (print)</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Waskesiu address/phone #</u>
1) _____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____
4) _____	_____	_____
5) _____	_____	_____

Candidate’s Acceptance

I, _____, a candidate nominated for a position on the Waskesiu Community Association Inc.’s Board of Directors and the Waskesiu Community Council hereby declare that:

1. I am, or will be on election day, the full age of 18 years.
2. I am a Canadian citizen.
3. I have resided in the community of Waskesiu for three consecutive months prior to election day, or for at least three consecutive months prior to election day I have been a lessee, licensee, or the single designated representative of a corporation that is a lessee or licensee, of assessable property within the boundaries of the Waskesiu Townsite as defined in Schedule ‘A’ as registered on the plan of record 34153 in the Canada Lands Survey, or the spouse or common law spouse of one of the preceding parties to a land use agreement.
4. If elected I will accept the position on the Waskesiu Community Association Inc.’s Board of Directors and also as a Councilor on the Waskesiu Community Council for which I was nominated.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 2024

(Signature of Candidate)

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Mail to:
Waskesiu Community Council
Box 203, Waskesiu Lake, SK S0J 2Y0
Attention: WCC Returning Officer

In Person Drop Off
PANP Administration Office
Waskesiu Lake, SK
Attention: Gregg Rutten, Townsite Manager

All Nominations must be received by Friday, July 5th at 4 p.m.