



## Muskowekwan First Nation No. 85

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Dear Muskowekwan First Nation Membership,

Please be advised that as of Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Chief Reginald Bellerose will be taking a 120 day leave of absence from his position as Chief of the Muskowekwan First Nation. The reason for this leave will be for Chief Reginald to focus solely on key political and project work.

In the absence of our duly elected Chief Reginald Bellerose, over the next 120 days beginning September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 an "Acting Chief" or proxy position has been agreed upon by a legal quorum of council. Whereas, the individual councillor selected by Chief Reginald, in which he has chosen upon a written letter submission by interested Muskowekwan Councillors who would be willing to accept and be responsible for the day to day roles, duties and responsibilities in the acting Chief's role that this position may entail over the Chief's 120 day leave of absence.

Interested Councillors who submitted letter of interest to the Chief via email or written submissions were; Councillors Holly Geddes and Councillor Leon Wolfe Jr.

From these submissions, Chief Bellerose has made his decision also supported by a quorum of council to accept that there will be a split in the 120 day take over role by the two councillors who did make their submissions.

Therefore, as of today Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Councillor Holly Geddes will begin the first 60 days in the role of 'Acting Chief' of the Muskowekwan First Nation until Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. For the final 60 days, from Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 until Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Councillor Leon Wolfe Jr will then take over the role and responsibilities as the Acting Chief of the Muskowekwan First Nation.

During that time the incumbent Chief Reginald Bellerose has NOT RESIGNED and will be on leave therefore will NOT be taking a salary for his role being as it is relinquished for the 120 days to the Acting Chiefs position.

Should anyone have any questions or concerns in this matter please call the Muskowekwan Band Office @ (306) 274-2061.

Regards,

Holly Geddes

Acting Chief

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