

September 29, 2014

Tina Danforth, Tribal Chairwoman

Melinda Danforth, Tribal Vice-Chairwoman

Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary

Melinda Danforth, Election Vice-Chairwoman

Michelle Doxtator, Election Chairwoman

Dear Representatives:

I worked the Special Election on Saturday, September 27, 2014 as a representative of the Oneida Enrollment Department. In all good conscience, I feel compelled to report this election did not follow established procedures according to the Election Law. It all started with the electronic ballot counting machine. As I recall, someone on the election committee (I don't recall who) asked if myself, Cynthia Niesen and Officer Lyle Metoxen could come into the voting area and validate that the voting box was empty.

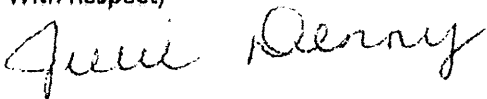
I went outside as Officer, Lyle Metoxen was in his squad car and I informed Lyle the Election Committee is requesting our presence to validate the election box is empty; Lyle looked at his watch and made the comment "this should have been done over an hour ago".

The three of us proceeded into the voting area and here is my recollection:

1. It was approximately 8:03 am when I verified the electronic ballot counting machine was empty.
2. I can honestly say the ballot box was indeed empty.
3. The tape was presented for my signature. Never was I instructed by the Judge to review that ballot counting machine printer tape to see if it had a zero total count, (this is cited in Section 2.9 Election Process, 2.9-3 (a)). I never looked for that information on the tape as I didn't know I had to.
4. Also, according to the Election Law in Section 2.9 Election Process, 2.9-3 that ballot box shall be prepared prior to 7am on the day of election.
5. Despite signing that ballot machine printer tape, I did not feel comfortable doing it simply because it was at least an hour after the polls had already been opened and numerous voters had already casted their votes.
6. I could verify the voting box was indeed empty but that leaves a question in my mind to where did the ballots go that were cast between 7am-8am?

I bring this to your attention, because I believe processes were not followed and their needs to be accountability for such an important event. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 920-869-6212 (w).

With Respect,



Julie Denny, Estate Claim Assistant

Cc: Cheryl Skolaski, Enrollment Director