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Proposed Tribal Constitution Updates

Vote at Annual Meeting April 27, 2024

The Louden Tribal Council would like the Membership to consider the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the Louden Tribe which would require Council Members to pass a background check and drug test in order to serve on the Council.

This amendment will be presented and voted on at the upcoming Annual Membership Meeting.

Summary of proposed updates to the Constitution of the Louden Tribe:

Article 4 – Governing Body

- Revised Section 6 'Qualifications for Tribal Council'
 - Added Indian Child Protection & Family Violence Prevention Act (ICPA) federal background check requirement
 - o Added requirement to be drug free and pass a drug test

Who can vote?

Anyone who is a "Full Member" as defined in the 2008 Membership Ordinance as "any person on the membership roll who physically resides in Galena. To be considered a resident, the individual must physically reside in Galena for at least one (1) year immediately preceding a regular membership election." Exceptions are made for absences due to health, education, or military services.

What is required to pass these Constitutional Amendments?

"The Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Louden Tribe voting in an election called for that purpose in which at least thirty percent (30%) of the qualified voters take part."