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MEMBERTOU GOVERNANCE

# Membertou Land Code

**JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> 2019 | 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM**  
MEMBERTOU TRADE & CONVENTION CENTRE

# VOTE



**Who do I call if I have questions about the  
Membertou Land Code ?**

**For more information, please contact:**

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## MEMBERTOU LAND CODE

### What will happen if we vote YES?

- Membertou will reassume its inherent right as the recognized government and manage its own reserve lands under the Membertou Land Code;
- Recognition of Membertou's significant law-making powers respecting reserve land;
- Members and Council have clear roles in decision-making and approvals in relation to land management;
- Ability to protect reserve lands. Land base can never diminish. No expropriation by Provincial/ Municipal agencies;
- Minimum funding of \$272,259.

### What will happen if we vote NO?

- First Nations are not considered governments. Membertou lands will continue to be managed by Canada under the Indian Act;
- No law-making authority. Membertou may make certain managerial decisions and make certain by-laws respecting reserve land;
- Membertou must seek approval from Canada on every land management matter under the Indian Act;
- Expropriation possible without Membertou's consent by federal or provincial governments;
- Limited land related funding available. Membertou receives \$0.

## HOW DO I VOTE?

YOU CAN VOTE 1 OF 3 WAYS...

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### YOU CAN VOTE IN PERSON

JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup>  
at the Membertou Trade  
and Convention Centre,  
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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### YOU CAN VOTE ELECTRONICALLY

Electronic voting is open  
to all Membertou band  
members (18yrs & over).  
See details below:

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### YOU CAN VOTE BY MAIL-IN BALLOT

To get a ballot please contact  
Chris LaPorte, the electoral  
officer at (902)564-8825

## ELECTRONIC STEPS

- A** Log onto <https://vtnw.com/go/MembertouReg/>
- B** Complete all fields (name, date of birth, 10-digit band number, email address);
- C** Select **ELECTRONIC** when asked how you want to vote;
- D** Wait for verification code. This takes a few minutes, and will go to the email address you have provided;
- E** Enter your code when prompted;
- F** An electronic ballot is then sent to that email address. Re-enter your 10-digit band number to open your ballot;
- G** Cast your vote, confirm your vote and you are done! Your name is entered to win one of five **\$100 Visa gift cards**;

You should receive 4 emails in total for this process and please check your junk mail for emails from elections@vote-now.com.