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## **Grand Council Assembly Rules of Procedure**

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**Approved by:  
Anishinabek Nation Grand  
Council Resolution #2020-04**

**Dokis First Nation (Zoom Online)  
November 3-4, 2020**

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**Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assembly  
Dokis First Nation (Online Meeting)  
November 3-4, 2020**

**RESOLUTION – #2020-04**

**Subject:** Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Rules of Procedure  
**Mover:** Chief Barron King, Moose Deer Point First Nation  
**Seconder:** Chief Melvin Hardy, Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek  
**Status:** Carried  
**Opposed:** None  
**Abstentions:** None

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**WHEREAS:**

1. The Anishinabek Nation has the inherent right bestowed by the Creator to enact any laws necessary to protect and preserve Anishinaabe culture, languages, customs, traditions, and practices for the betterment of the Anishinabek;
2. The Anishinabek Nation generally hosts two assemblies each year to bring together Anishinabek Nation leadership to discuss the status of existing mandates, next steps, and to provide direction on new mandates;
3. Existing rules that currently govern the assemblies have either been enacted formally by way of resolution, or informally by the continued implementation of various practices;
4. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly proclaimed the “*Anishinaabe Chi-Naaknigewin*” that forms the “Traditional Government of the Anishinabek Nation, within the Inherent, Traditional, Treaty, and Unceded Lands of Our Territories”;
5. The “*Anishinaabe Chi-Naaknigewin*”, section 5.2, states that:
  - a. The Grand Council shall enact Rules of Procedure to govern the Grand Council;
6. The Anishinabek Nation has developed draft “*Grand Council Rules of Procedure*” (attached) for assemblies;
7. These draft “*Grand Council Rules of Procedure*” reflect existing assembly practices, incorporates direction provided through various Grand Council Assembly resolutions; and
8. These draft “*Grand Council Rules of Procedure*” were presented to the Chiefs during the August 2020 Regional Chiefs Meetings.

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**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE ANISHINABEK CHIEFS-IN-ASSEMBLY:**

1. Do hereby proclaim the "*Grand Council Rules of Procedure*" into force, effective November 3, 2020.



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Glen Hare (Gwiingos)  
Grand Council Chief



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Scott McLeod  
Lake Huron Regional Chief



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**Purpose**

1. The purpose of the Anishinabek Nation Assembly Rules of Procedure is to ensure the effective and efficient coordination of all Grand Council Assemblies.

**Application**

2. The Anishinabek Nation Assembly Rules of Procedure will apply to both the Grand Council Assembly, and the Fall Grand Council Assembly;
3. The Anishinabek Nation Assembly Rules of Procedure will apply to all Chiefs and proxies of member Anishinabek First Nations; and
4. The Anishinabek Nation Assembly Rules of Procedure will be acknowledged prior to the commencement of an Assembly.

**Selection of Host Community**

5. Assemblies will be hosted on an alternating basis (Southwest, Southeast, Lake Huron and Northern Superior) by Anishinabek First Nations;
6. The Anishinabek Nation will issue an Expression of Interest to the Anishinabek First Nations that are within the region that has been identified to host an Assembly;
7. The Expression of Interest will be issued one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the scheduled Assembly date;
8. Anishinabek First Nations interested in hosting an Assembly should complete an Expression of Interest and submit it to the Anishinabek Nation ninety (90) days prior to the Assembly date;
9. The Anishinabek Nation Leadership Council Executive with the support of the Chief Executive Officer will review the Expressions of Interest to determine a successful applicant; and
10. In the event that no Expressions of Interest are received, the Anishinabek Nation Leadership Council Executive, with the support of the Chief Executive Officer will work with the host region to identify an alternative approach.

**Notice of Assembly**

11. Notice of an Anishinabek Nation Assembly shall be provided to the Anishinabek First Nations at minimum sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled date; and
12. Notice of the Assembly shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Information on the host community;



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- b. Date of Assembly;
- c. Location;
- d. Available accommodations;
- e. Registration form;
- f. Resolution template and contact information for resolutions committee;
- g. Proxy letter template and submission details; and
- h. Rules of Procedure.

**Registration**

- 13. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs, proxies, observers, and other attendees should complete a registration form and submit it to the Anishinabek Nation at minimum, ten (10) days prior to the Assembly, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be made (dietary, accessibility, etc.).

**Proxies**

- 14. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs who wish to have a proxy represent them at an Assembly must complete and sign a proxy letter, and submit it to the Anishinabek Nation prior to, or during, an Assembly;
- 15. A proxy cannot be currently employed or contracted by the Anishinabek Nation; and
- 16. An individual cannot hold more than one proxy.

**Attendance**

- 17. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies are committed to remain in the Assembly during official deliberations and decisions, except in the case of urgent business;
- 18. All First Nation Chiefs and proxies are encouraged to participate; and
- 19. For the purpose of determining whether or not quorum has been met, Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies must sign in at the registration desk each morning and after each lunch break of an Assembly.

**Ceremony and Culture**

- 20. A sweat lodge will be arranged for the night prior to day one (1) of the Assembly (June Assemblies only). The November Special Chiefs Assemblies does not require a sweat lodge;
- 21. Ten (10) sacred bundles (cloth/tobacco) will be made for the Assembly. Bundles must be smudged. They must be smudged at the sweat lodge or at sunrise ceremony on the first day;



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22. A sunrise ceremony shall be conducted each morning during an Assembly;
23. If the Assembly is indoors at a venue, the sunrise should be held in the main meeting hall space so that the Eagle staff and bundle stays in one spot throughout;
24. A local drum group will attend and support the Assembly with openings and keeping time;
25. Each Assembly must be opened and closed with a flag song and local drum song;
26. A local Getzit (Elder) will be present to conduct thanksgivings for opening (day one) and lunches each day. This person will also offer closing prayers/thanksgiving;
27. Bundles must be given out by the Grand Chief during the opening ceremony to all Oshkabewis' (helpers) such as the community Chief, Cook, Lodge Keeper, Fire Keepers, Drum Group (1), local Getzit, Chair and Co-Chair, etc.; and
28. Every effort must be made to ensure that representatives from the Getzidjig, Kwe-Wuk and Eshekenijig Advisory Councils are present at every Assembly to provide guidance and support where needed.

**Assembly Chair**

29. The Chair is selected by the Grand Council Chief and endorsed by the Leadership Council Executive to oversee the delivery of the Assembly agenda;
30. The primary responsibility of the Chair is to ensure that all matters on the agenda are discussed and dealt with, all resolutions are presented, and that the Rules of Procedure that govern the Assembly are adhered to;
31. The Chair will announce whether quorum has been achieved prior to the commencement of the Assembly, and after each break;
32. The Chair may impose limitations on speakers including leadership where they deem necessary to ensure the adherence of the Assembly schedule;
33. The Chair will recognize one speaker at a time and will keep speakers on topic;
34. The Chair will ensure that all presenters have an opportunity to speak to a topic;
35. Where discussion of a resolution is inconclusive and contentious, the Chair may request a side meeting take place to develop a consensus resolution. The resolution shall then be brought back to the Assembly for a vote or other disposition;
36. If a point-of-order (a query as to whether correct procedure is being followed) is raised by a Chief or proxy, the Chair shall have the opportunity to seek guidance from the Chief Executive Officer, Grand Council Chief or the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly, and shall announce a final ruling,



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which is not subject to any further appeal, whether by point-of-order, resolution or otherwise;  
and

37. The Chair has the final say on the interpretation of these rules and procedure.

**Quorum**

38. All decisions made on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation, which includes passing resolutions and amending these Rules of Procedure, require sixty (60) percent of Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs or proxies be registered and present for voting. For example, if there are thirty-nine (39) Anishinabek First Nations, decisions would require the approval of twenty-four (24) Chiefs and proxies ( $39 \times 60\% = 23.4$ );

39. The Chair will announce whether quorum has been achieved after registration each morning and after each lunch break of an Assembly;

40. If quorum is not achieved, the Chair will seek direction from the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly to determine whether or not to proceed with the Assembly for updates and information purposes only;

41. No decisions can be made on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation where quorum has not been achieved, which include passing resolutions and amending these Rules of Procedure;

42. The Chair will conduct a headcount to ensure quorum has been maintained prior to the passing of a resolution; and

43. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs or proxies may ask the Chair to re-confirm that quorum has been achieved and maintained.

**Addressing the Assembly**

44. If a Chief or proxy wishes to address the Assembly, they should approach the microphone and wait to be acknowledged by the Chair prior to addressing the Assembly;

45. If an individual that is not a registered Chief or proxy wishes to address the Assembly, they are required to seek the endorsement of a Chief or proxy prior to approaching the microphone and wait to be acknowledged by the Chair prior to addressing the Assembly;

46. Speakers are asked to introduce themselves, stay on topic, be considerate of the time limitations for each topic, and be respectful; and

47. The Chair may respectfully impose time limitations to ensure adherence to the approved agenda.



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**Voting**

48. The voting process for resolutions will be conducted by a “recorded vote”, that is a vote in which the votes (for, against or abstention) of each member of the meeting are recorded;
49. Each vote will take place by roll (yeas or nays) as directed by the Chair and count supported by Anishinabek Nation technical staff;
50. The voting process for motions will be conducted by a “voice vote”, that is the usual method of voting on any motion that does not require more than a majority vote for its adoption;
51. The Chair of the meeting will put the questions to the Assembly, asking first for those in favor of the motion to indicate so verbally (“yes”), and then ask those opposed to the motion to indicate so verbally (“no”), followed finally by asking for those who wish to abstain from the vote (and confirm if they would like their name recorded for the record). The Chair will then confirm which side had more members; and
52. Abstentions do not count in tallying the vote negatively or positively; when members abstain, they are in effect attending only to contribute to quorum.

**Resolution Process**

53. Anishinabek First Nations who wish to bring forward a resolution, should prepare a draft using the resolution template provided in the notice of Assembly;
54. It is the responsibility of the Anishinabek First Nation bringing the resolution forward to identify a mover and a seconder to support their resolution;
55. Only an Anishinabek Nation Chief or designated proxy can move or second a resolution;
56. It is the responsibility of the Anishinabek First Nation bringing a resolution forward to ensure that any parties who have a vested interest in the subject of their resolution (example: Getzidjig, Kwe-Wuk and Eshekenijig Advisory Councils) are consulted with, prior to, or during, the drafting process; and
57. It is the responsibility of the Anishinabek First Nation bringing the resolution forward to ensure that they will be present at the time their resolution is brought to the floor of an Assembly for discussion.

**Submitting a Draft Resolution**

58. Where possible, Anishinabek First Nations who wish to bring forward a resolution should submit their draft resolution to the Anishinabek Nation Resolutions Committee (see notice of Assembly for submission details) at minimum fourteen (14) days prior to the Assembly;



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59. The Anishinabek Nation Resolutions Committee will review the draft resolution to ensure it does not conflict with previously approved resolutions, that it is free from grammatical errors, and that it is formatted appropriately; and
60. The Anishinabek Nation Resolutions Committee is not responsible for conducting a legal analysis of the proposed resolution. In absence of a legal analysis, the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly may table the draft resolution for further discussion, delay, or reject the draft resolution.

**Emergency Resolutions**

61. An emergency resolution may be submitted to the Resolutions Committee for review and consideration, prior to the end of the second last day of Assembly proceedings;
62. The emergency resolution must address a matter that was not anticipated, foreseen, or addressed by an existing Assembly resolution;
63. An emergency resolution submitted to the Resolutions Committee will be reviewed by the Grand Council Chief and Leadership Council Executive to determine if it should be brought forward to the Assembly. This review will be done in consultation with the:
  - a. Mover and seconder of the resolution;
  - b. Resolution Committee Chair; and
  - c. Assembly Chair.
64. The final approval of an emergency resolution will be the responsibility of the Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief following the review; and
65. If an emergency resolution receives approval to be addressed by the Assembly, the Resolutions Committee will conduct a review (grammar, conflict and format), and distribute the draft resolution to the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly.

**Late Resolutions**

66. A draft resolution submitted to the Resolutions Committee after the deadline will be considered a late resolution. Late resolutions are discouraged and will not be considered after the end of the first day of Assembly proceedings;
67. A late resolution submitted to the Resolutions Committee will be reviewed by the Grand Council Chief and Leadership Council Executive to determine if it should be brought forward to the Assembly. This review will be done in consultation with the:
  - a. Mover and seconder of the resolution;
  - b. Resolution Committee Chair; and
  - c. Assembly Chair.



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68. The final approval of a late resolution will be the responsibility of the Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief; and
69. If a late resolution receives approval to be addressed by the Assembly, the Resolutions Committee will conduct a review (grammar, conflict and format), and distribute the draft resolution to the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly.

**Amending a Resolution**

70. Resolutions that require amendments should be brought forward to the Resolutions Committee;
71. Resolutions requiring minor amendments do not have to be redistributed to the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly prior to being presented;
72. Resolutions requiring significant amendments must be redistributed to the Chief and proxies in the Assembly prior to being presented;
73. All amendments to a resolution must be approved by the mover and seconder prior to redistribution or presentation to the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly; and
74. All resolutions must be read and approved in real time, visible to all Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly.

**In-Camera Sessions**

75. A motion is required to move a meeting in to an in-camera session;
76. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies may ask the Chair to call for an in-camera session if a sensitive subject or issue needs to be dealt with;
77. The Chair will confirm with the Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies, who can remain in the Assembly during the in-camera session. For example: Anishinabek Nation staff, guests, presenters, resolutions committee members, technical support staff, media, government representative, First Nation citizens, etc.;
78. The Chair will announce who can remain in the Assembly, and ask those who cannot to leave the Assembly;
79. The Chair will confirm with the Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies, when the live stream feed of the meeting will be disabled for the duration of the in-camera session; and
80. A motion is required to end an in-camera session. Once the motion to end the in-camera session has been passed, the Chair will invite all Assembly participants back into the Assembly.



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**Elections**

81. The election of the Grand Council Chief and the Regional Deputy Grand Council Chiefs will be held every three (3) years during the June Assembly;
82. Elections will take place on day one (1) of the Assembly; and
83. The process to which the election will follow are outlined in the “Anishinabek Nation Nomination and Elections Guide”.

**Press**

84. No members of the press shall be permitted in the Assembly unless approved by the Grand Council Chief or the Regional Deputy Grand Council Chiefs; and
85. The Chair will notify the Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly that media is present.



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**Purpose**

1. The purpose of the Anishinabek Nation Online Assembly Rules of Procedure is to ensure the effective and efficient coordination of all Grand Council Assemblies that take place Online.

**Application**

2. The Anishinabek Nation Online Assembly Rules of Procedure will apply to both the Grand Council Assembly, and the Fall Grand Council Assembly, where the Assembly is being held online;
3. The Anishinabek Nation Online Assembly Rules of Procedure will apply to all Chiefs and proxies of member Anishinabek First Nations; and
4. The Anishinabek Nation Online Assembly Rules of Procedure will be acknowledged prior to the commencement of an online Assembly.

**Notice of the Online Assembly**

5. Notice of the Online Assembly shall be provided to the Anishinabek First Nations at minimum thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled date; and
6. Notice of the Online Assembly shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Date of Online Assembly;
  - b. Online Assembly coordinates and instructions;
  - c. Resolution template and contact information for resolutions committee;
  - d. Proxy letter template and submission details; and
  - e. Rules of Procedure.

**Registration**

7. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs, proxies, observers, and other attendees should complete a registration form and submit it to the Anishinabek Nation at minimum, ten (10) days prior to the Assembly, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be made (dietary, accessibility, etc.).

**Proxies**

8. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs who wish to have a proxy represent them at an Online Assembly must complete and sign a proxy letter, and submit it to the Anishinabek Nation prior to the Online Assembly;
9. A proxy cannot be currently employed or contracted by the Anishinabek Nation; and
10. An individual cannot hold more than one proxy.



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**Attendance**

11. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies are committed to remain in the Online Assembly during official deliberations and decisions, except in the case of urgent business;
12. All Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies are encouraged to participate by video; and
13. Only Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs, proxies, the Chair, technical staff and invited guests are allowed to participate in the Online meeting. Those who wish to view the Online meeting must watch via webcast.

**Ceremony and Culture**

14. Each Online Assembly must be opened and closed with a flag song and local drum song;
15. A Getzit (Elder) will conduct a thanksgiving at the opening of the Online Assembly, as well as closing prayer at the completion of the Online Assembly; and
16. Every effort must be made to ensure that representatives from the Getzidjig, Kwe-Wuk and Eshekenijig Advisory Councils participate in the Online meeting to provide guidance and support where needed.

**Online Assembly Chair**

17. The Chair is selected by the Grand Council Chief and endorsed by the Leadership Council Executive to oversee the delivery of the Online Assembly agenda;
18. The primary responsibility of the Chair is to ensure that all matters on the agenda are discussed and dealt with, all resolutions are presented, and that the Rules of Procedure that govern the Online Assembly are adhered to;
19. The Chair will make it known to the Chiefs and proxies when the Online Assembly has gone live;
20. The Chair will announce whether quorum has been achieved prior to the commencement of the Online Assembly and after each break;
21. The Chair may impose limitations on speakers including leadership where they deem necessary to ensure the adherence of the Online Assembly schedule;
22. The Chair will recognize one speaker at a time and will keep speakers on topic;
23. The Chair will ensure that all presenters have an opportunity to speak to a topic;
24. Where discussion of a resolution is inconclusive and contentious, the Chair may request a side meeting take place to develop a consensus resolution. The resolution shall then be brought back to the Online Assembly for a vote or other disposition;



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25. If a point-of-order (a query as to whether correct procedure is being followed) is raised by a Chief or proxy, the Chair shall have the opportunity to seek guidance from the Chief Executive Officer, Grand Council Chief or the Chiefs and proxies in the Online Assembly, and shall announce a final ruling, which is not subject to any further appeal, whether by point-of-order, resolution or otherwise; and
26. The Chair has the final say on the interpretation of these rules of procedure.

**Technical Staff**

27. The Chair will be assisted by technical staff who will be responsible for ensuring that participants in the Online Assembly are permitted to be there;
28. Technical staff will assist the Chair with conducting a count of Chiefs and proxies for quorum purposes;
29. Technical staff will assist the Chair with recognizing speakers;
30. Technical staff will assist the Chair with monitoring the online chat function; and
31. Technical staff will assist the Chair with presenting and amending resolutions in current time.

**Quorum**

32. All decisions made on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation, which includes passing resolutions and amending these Rules of Procedure, require sixty (60) percent of Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs or proxies be registered and present for voting. For example, if there are thirty-nine (39) Anishinabek First Nations, decisions would require the approval of twenty-four (24) Chiefs and proxies ( $39 \times 60\% = 23.4$ );
33. The number of Chiefs and proxies signed in to the Online Assembly will be counted ten (10) minutes after the meeting is scheduled to commence, and ten (10) minutes after each break;
34. The Chair will determine and announce whether quorum has been achieved and will announce the results to the Online Assembly prior to the commencement of the Online Assembly and after each break;
35. If quorum is not achieved, the Chair will seek direction from the Chiefs and proxies in the Online Assembly to determine whether or not to proceed with the Online Assembly for updates and information purposes only;
36. No decisions can be made on behalf of the Anishinabek Nation where quorum has not been achieved, which include passing resolutions and amending these Rules of Procedure;



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37. The number of Chiefs and proxies signed in to the Online Assembly will also be counted prior to the passing of any resolution to ensure that quorum has been maintained; and
38. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs or proxies may ask the Chair to re-confirm that quorum has been achieved and maintained.

**Addressing the Online Assembly**

39. All participants in the Online Assembly must mute their microphones for the duration of the Online Assembly;
40. If a Chief or proxy wishes to address the Online Assembly, they should notify the Chair by using either the “raise your hand” feature or the “chat” feature of the Online Assembly and wait to be acknowledged by the Chair prior to addressing the Online Assembly;
41. If an individual wishes to address the Online Assembly, they are required to seek the endorsement of a Chief or proxy prior to notifying the Chair using either the “raise your hand” feature or the “chat” feature of the Online Assembly and wait to be acknowledged by the Chair prior to addressing the Online Assembly;
42. Speakers are asked to introduce themselves, stay on topic, be considerate of the time limitations for each topic, and be respectful; and
43. The Chair may respectfully impose time limitations to ensure adherence to the approved agenda.

**Voting**

44. The voting process for resolutions will be conducted by a “recorded vote”, that is a vote in which the votes (for or against) of each member of the meeting are recorded;
45. Each vote will take place by roll (yeas or nays) as directed by the Chair and count supported by Anishinabek Nation technical staff;
46. The voting process for motions will be conducted by a “voice vote”, that is the usual method of voting on any motion that does not require more than a majority vote for its adoption;
47. The Chair of the meeting will put the questions to the Online Assembly, asking first for those in favor of the motion to indicate so verbally (“yes”), and then ask those opposed to the motion to indicate so verbally (“no”), followed finally by asking for those who wish to abstain from the vote (and confirm if they would like their name recorded for the record). The Chair will then confirm which side had more members; and
48. Abstentions do not count in tallying the vote negatively or positively; when members abstain, they are in effect attending only to contribute to quorum.



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**Resolution Process**

49. Anishinabek First Nations who wish to bring forward a resolution, should prepare a draft using the resolution template provided in the notice of Online Assembly;
50. It is the responsibility of the Anishinabek First Nation bringing the resolution forward to identify a mover and seconder to support their resolution;
51. Only a Chief of an Anishinabek First Nation or a designated proxy can move or second a resolution;
52. It is the responsibility of the Anishinabek First Nation bringing a resolution forward to ensure that all parties who have a vested interest in the subject of their resolution (example: Getzidjig, Kwe-Wuk and Eshekenijig Advisory Councils) are consulted with, prior to, or during, the drafting process; and
53. It is the responsibility of the Anishinabek First Nation bringing the resolution forward to ensure that they are in the Online Assembly at the time their resolution is discussed.

**Submitting a Draft Resolution**

54. Where possible, Anishinabek First Nations who wish to bring forward a resolution should submit their draft resolution to the Anishinabek Nation Resolutions Committee (see notice of Online Assembly for submission details) at minimum fourteen (14) days prior to the Online Assembly;
55. The Anishinabek Nation Resolutions Committee will review the draft resolution to ensure it does not conflict with previously approved resolutions, that it is free from grammatical errors, and that it is formatted appropriately; and
56. The Anishinabek Nation Resolutions Committee is not responsible for conducting a legal analysis of the proposed resolution. In absence of a legal analysis, the Chiefs and proxies may table the draft resolution for further discussion, delay, or reject the draft resolution.

**Emergency Resolutions**

57. An emergency resolution may be submitted to the Resolutions Committee for review and consideration, prior to the end of the second last day of Assembly proceedings;
58. The emergency resolution must address a matter that was not anticipated, foreseen, or addressed by an existing Assembly resolution;
59. An emergency resolution submitted to the Resolutions Committee will be reviewed by the Grand Council Chief and Leadership Council Executive to determine if it should be brought forward to the Assembly. This review will be done in consultation with the:
  - a. Mover and seconder of the resolution;
  - b. Resolution Committee Chair; and
  - c. Assembly Chair.



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60. The final approval of an emergency resolution will be the responsibility of the Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief following the review; and
61. If an emergency resolution receives approval to be addressed by the Assembly, the Resolutions Committee will conduct a review (grammar, conflict and format), and distribute the draft resolution to the Chiefs and proxies in the Assembly.

**Late Resolutions**

62. Due to the logistical challenges of the Online Assembly, resolutions submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

**Amending a Resolution**

63. Resolutions that require amendments should be brought forward to the Resolutions Committee via the Online chat function;
64. Amendments to a resolution that are not minor in nature, must be approved by the mover and seconder prior to presentation to the Chiefs and proxies in the Online Assembly;
65. All resolutions must be read and approved in real time, visible to all Chiefs and proxies in the Online Assembly; and
66. The passing of a resolution may be done using a polling feature that is accessible to the Chiefs and proxies in the Online Assembly.

**In-Camera Sessions**

67. A motion is required to move a meeting in to an in-camera session;
68. Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies may ask the Chair to call for an in-camera session if a sensitive subject or issue needs to be dealt with;
69. The Chair will confirm with the Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies, who can remain in the Online Assembly during the in-camera session. For example: Anishinabek Nation staff, guests, presenters, resolutions committee members, technical meeting support staff, media, government representatives, First Nation citizens, etc.;
70. The Chair will announce the in-camera session and ask that everyone who cannot participate in the in-camera session leave the Online Assembly (this can be achieved utilizing online “breakout rooms”);
71. The Chair will confirm with the Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies, when the live stream feed of the meeting will be disabled for the duration of the in-camera session; and



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72. A motion is required to end an in-camera session. Once the motion to end the in-camera session has been passed, the Chair will invite all participants back into the Online Assembly.

**Press**

73. No members of the press shall be permitted in the Online Assembly unless approved by the Grand Council Chief or the Regional Deputy Grand Council Chiefs; and

74. The Chair will notify the Anishinabek First Nation Chiefs and proxies in the Online Assembly that media is present.