

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD**

**Ordinance No. 11-01-15**

**Introduced By:** Mayor and Council

**Date Introduced:** November 2, 2015

**Amendment Introduced:** January 4, 2016

**Amendment Adopted:** January 4, 2016

**Ordinance Adopted:** January 4, 2016

**Date Effective:** February 23, 2016

**AN ORDINANCE** concerning

**REMOTE PARTICIPATION AT TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**FOR** the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and Town Council to provide, by resolution, for the Mayor or members of the Town Council to participate in Town Council meetings from remote locations by electronic means; providing for a quorum at Town Council meetings when the Mayor or a Councilmember participates from a remote location; providing for when this Ordinance becomes effective; and generally related to meetings of the Indian Head Town Council.

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**BY** adding  
Chapter 3 – Administration of Government  
Article I – Council Organization and Procedure  
Section 3-1.E  
Code of the Town of Indian Head  
(1990 Edition as amended)

**BY** repealing and reenacting, with amendments  
Chapter 3 – Administration of Government  
Article I – Council Organization and Procedure  
Section 3-5  
Code of the Town of Indian Head  
(1990 Edition as amended)

**EXPLANATION:**  
CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.  
~~Strike-Out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

**SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD,** That new Section 3-1.E. is added to the Code of the Town of Indian Head (1990 Edition, as amended), Chapter 3 – Administration of Government, Article I, Council Organization and Procedure, to follow immediately after Section 3-1.D of Article I and to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 3 – Administration of Government**

**ARTICLE I – Council Organization and Procedure**

§ 3-1. Regular and special meetings.

E. THE COUNCIL MAY PROVIDE BY RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR OR A COUNCIL MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN A DULY CALLED AND CONVENED MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL FROM A REMOTE LOCATION BY ELECTRONIC MEANS, PROVIDED THAT THE REMOTE PARTICIPANT CAN HEAR PERSONS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING AT THE MEETING LOCATION AND PERSONS AT THE MEETING LOCATION CAN HEAR THE REMOTE PARTICIPANT.

**SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, that Section 3-5 of the Code of the Town of Indian Head (1990 Edition, as amended), Chapter 3 – Administration of Government, Article I, Council Organization and Procedure, is repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 3 – Administration of Government**

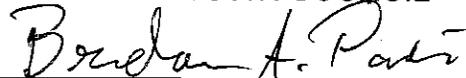
**ARTICLE I – Council Organization and Procedure**

§ 3-5. Quorum.

A majority of all the members elected to the Council shall constitute a quorum at any regular or special meeting of the Council, EXCEPT THAT WHEN THE MAYOR OR A COUNCILMEMBER PARTICIPATES IN THE MEETING FROM A REMOTE LOCATION BY ELECTRONIC MEANS THE REMOTE PARTICIPANT MAY NOT BE COUNTED TOWARDS THE QUORUM.

**SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, that this Ordinance shall become effective from the date that Charter Amendment Resolution No. 11-01-15 becomes effective, and if Charter Amendment Resolution No. 11-01-15 is not adopted or does not take effect, this Resolution shall be rescinded without further action of the Council.

INDIAN HEAD TOWN COUNCIL



Brandon Paulin, Mayor



Ron Sitoula, Vice Mayor



Curtis Smith, Councilman

ATTEST:

  
Town Clerk

1/4/16  
Date

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**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 11-01-15**

**Amendment No. 1**

On page 2 of the proposed Ordinance, in the fourth line of Section 3-5, immediately following "PARTICIPANT MAY" insert "NOT".