

KAWACATOOSE CONCERNED CITIZENS GROUP

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Press Release

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COMMUNITY PROTEST CHIEF & BAND COUNCIL

KAWACATOOSE FIRST NATION, RAYMORE, SASKATCHEWAN, MAY 9, 2011:

On May 3, 2011 the entire staff of the Kawacatoose First Nation was subjugated to unfair labour practices when they were coerced to sign a Staffing Policy Agreement without prior consent or notification to the changes set forth. Furthermore this resulted in breach of human rights, Code and conduct, and breach of ethics.

The results of the May 3, meeting seen 70% of the staff who refused to sign were effectively terminated from their jobs. The Kawacatoose First Nation's estimated unemployment rate is at 90%, therefore this staged a crisis for the citizens of Kawacatoose to protest these unfair labour practices.

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The Concerned Citizens Group of Kawacatoose is holding a peaceful protest by means of a "**Sit In**" at the Kawacatoose Band Office & Community Health Centre at **8:00 AM, Thursday May 12, 2011.**

The people are calling for a Re-Election of the entire Chief and Band Council, who recently increased their personal wages by more than 65%.

- ***The Annual Salary for the Chief went from \$48,000.00 to \$104,936.00.***
- ***The Annual Band Council Members Salaries went from \$32,000.00 to \$75,244.00.***

They are also requesting that Indian & Northern Affairs Canada conduct a Forensic Audit. This audit will determine the mismanagement of general band funds as well as allegations of fraudulent acts committed against Tornado Survivor Fund of 2010.

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