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**To:** "Barbara Ann Charlie" <bcharlie@telus.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 17, 2009 6:38 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Abner Thorne

Barbara Ann,

Your email is received.

I got back the original from Bruce but not a second copy. To save you a trip to see me tomorrow, let me find out if Bruce sent a copy to you.

Further, I have been trying to contact your father regarding hiring a lawyer to put the legal matters together for this lease. As you know Gulf Pacific is recommending Bill Younie at Ridgway & Co. primarily because Bill is very familiar with the lawyers at INAC and the Dept. of Justice. He can get quick access to them as well as he knows the form of lease documents to be used. Can you let me know if Bill Younie is acceptable to you? If so I can set up a meeting at our office for Bill Younie to attend and go through what he will do for you and the expected costs.

Regards,

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## Draft Cowichan Electoral Code

### Differences in Codes

Issue	Draft Custom Code	Current Indian Act Code
Candidate Eligibility  Sect 11-12 25-49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cowichan Member</li> <li>• 18 years old</li> <li>• Criminal Record Check</li> <li>• Reside in Cowichan Valley</li> <li>• Submit refundable fee: \$100.00</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 years old</li> <li>• Cowichan member for council</li> <li>• Can be non Cowichan for Chief</li> <li>• Only on reserve can run for Council</li> </ul>
Geography Representation Sect 12	Cowichan Valley on or off Tribal Lands	Currently On or Off reserve
Nomination Process  Sect 28	Limit nominator to nominate one Chief and three Councilors	Only limit is of time for nominations
Separation of Political & Tribes Administration  Sect 30	If Elected a Tribes Employee must choose between Political or Administrative role.	Matter not addressed
Vacant Seat on Council  Sect 17.J	Submit list of top three candidates that were not successful but had the highest votes for vacancy.	Leaves empty seat vacant or hold a bi-election
Tie Break  Sect 81-89	Electoral officer put tying candidates name in hat and draw.	Electoral officer
Appeal Process  Sect 91-94	Provisions set out to work with FN Electoral Officers Assn in the event of an Appeal of the election.	Minister of Indian Affairs
Review Process  Sect 95-97	Chief and council may, every two (2) years establish a election code committee the consists of three community members and two council members to review and address and necessary amendments	Federal Legislation subject amendment by the Canadian Parliament