



# The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

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## NEW PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

The Regular Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Election of the BOIS FORTE Reservation Business Committee a/k/a Tribal Council will be held on July 10, 2018 to fill the following positions:

### SECRETARY/TREASURER – 4 Year Term

Karlene Chosa  
Brandon D. Benner  
David C. Morrison, Sr. \*Incumbent

### CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT I COMMITTEEPERSON – 4 Year Term

Charles "Chaz" Wagner  
Edward Villebrun  
Mildred R. Holmes  
Crystal Villebrun  
Eddie Chavers  
Robbie E. Goggeye  
Shane Drift

### CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT II COMMITTEEPERSON – 4 Year Term

Sidra Starkovich  
Kristal Strong  
Gary W. Adams  
Peter F. Boney  
George J. Strong  
Corey Strong  
Earl Villebrun  
Muriel Deegan

\* Incumbent

**ELECTION DATE:** July 10, 2018

**POLLING PLACES:**

**DISTRICT I:**

Government and Community Services Bldg  
5344 Lake Shore Drive  
Nett Lake, MN 55772

**DISTRICT II:**


Vermilion Social Center  
1610 Farm Road South  
Tower, MN 55790

- (District I – is the Designated Polling Place for absentee ballot voting)

**POLLS OPEN:** 8:00 a.m.      **CLOSE:** 8:00 p.m.

Attached is an excerpt from Election Ordinance revised 12/14/2017, which states the voting requirements.

**Date: May 16, 2018**

  
**Gary S. Frazer, Executive Director**

Section 1.6.

Voter Eligibility.

1.6(A). Judging Qualifications.

Each Band governing body will be the sole judge of the constitutional qualifications of its voters and may, by official action, delegate this responsibility to its General Reservation Election Board.

1.6(B). Eligibility to Vote: Generally.

Eligible voters are enrolled members of the Tribe, 18 years of age or over. All eligible voters shall vote by secret ballot. To be eligible to cast a ballot a voter must meet all constitutional requirements. In addition, to be eligible to cast a vote for Committeeperson, a voter must have resided within that district for at least thirty (30) days immediately preceding the election, unless the voter casts an absentee ballot as permitted by this Ordinance.

1.6(C). Eligibility to Vote: Absentee.

Whenever, due to absence from the reservation, illness or physical disability, an eligible voter is not able to vote at the polls and notifies the General Election Board consistent with this Ordinance, he/she will be entitled to vote by absentee ballot in the manner and under the procedures as provided by Section 2.2(B). To cast an absentee ballot for Committeeperson, an eligible voter must have resided within that district for a period of at least thirty (30) days as his/her last reservation residence. In the event an eligible voter has never resided on the reservation of his/her enrollment, he/she must declare in his/her request which district has been selected in which to cast the ballot for Committeeperson. A voter may not thereafter change his/her district for absentee voting purposes without actually residing within a different district on his/her reservation of enrollment for at least thirty (30) consecutive days immediately preceding the election.

**ELECTION CALENDAR**  
**2018 Bois Forte**  
**Regular Election**  
**with New Primary**

May 16:	Notice of New Primary Election
May 16:	TEC provides ballots for New Primary Election.
July 10:	New Primary Election (Polling Places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)
July 11:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election. Prior to 8:00 p.m.
July 12:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
July 13:	Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
July 17:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.)
July 18 ( <i>or 16,17, if request for Recount is filed before deadline</i> ):	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
July 27:	Deadline for Decision on Contest for New Primary Election
July 30th ( <i>or within 3 days of decision on Contest</i> ):	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for appeal to Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision).
August 2 <sup>nd</sup> ( <i>or within 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal</i> ):	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
August 6 <sup>th</sup> ( <i>hearing within 7 days notice of appeal</i> ).	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.
August 16 <sup>th</sup> ( <i>or Ten days From Hearing on Appeal</i> ):	Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.
August 17:	Notice of Bois Forte General Election

August 17:	TEC provides ballots for Bois Forte General Election.
September 18:	Bois Forte General Election (Polling Places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)
September 19:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election. Prior to 8:00 p.m.
September 20:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
September 21:	Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
September 25 <sup>th</sup> :	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.)
September 26( <i>or 24, 25, If request for Recount is filed before deadline</i> ):	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
October 5 <sup>th</sup> :	Deadline for Decision on Contest for Bois Forte General Election.
October 9 <sup>th</sup> ( <i>or within 3 days of decision on Contest</i> ):	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for appeal to Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision).
October 12 <sup>th</sup> ( <i>or within 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal</i> ):	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
October 16 <sup>th</sup> ( <i>hearing within 7 days notice of appeal</i> ).	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.
October 26 <sup>th</sup> ( <i>or Ten days from Hearing on Appeal</i> ):	Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.
Day following Decision of Appeal:	Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes office.

# May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Notice of Primary Election and Posting.	17	18	19
			TEC provides ballots for New Primary Election.			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

# June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

# July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 <b>New Primary Election</b> <i>(Polling places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)</i>	11 <b>General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results. (Prior to 8:00 p.m.)</b>	12 <b>General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.</b>	13 <b>Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)</b>	14
15	16	17 <b>4:30 p.m. Deadline for Contest of Primary Election.</b> <i>(Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the MCT.)</i>	18 <i>(Results, if allowed or 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> if request for Recount is filed before deadline)</i> <b>Deadline for Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.</b>	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 <b>Deadline for Decision on Contest for New Primary</b>	28
29	30 <b>4:30 p.m. – Deadline for Appl. to Ct. of Elec. Appls. (Filed w/ Ex. Dir. of MCT and w/ Res. Tribunal rendering Decision).</b>	31				
	→ <i>(or within 3 days of decision on Contest</i>					



# August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5			1 <i>(or within 3 days up- on receipt of Notice</i>	2 Record of Contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.	3	4
	6 ( <i>hearing within 7 days Notice of Appeal</i> )	7	8	9	10	11
	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.					
12	13	14	15	16 ( <i>or Ten day from Hearing on Appeal</i> )	17	18
				Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.	► Notice of General Election ► TEC provides ballots for <i>General Election</i>	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		<b>BOIS FORTE GENERAL ELECTION</b> <i>(Polling Places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)</i>	<b>General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election <u>prior</u> to 8:00 p.m</b>	<b>General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results</b>	<b>Deadline for Request for Recount.</b>  <i>(filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)</i>	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		<b>4:30 p.m. – Deadline for Notice of Contest.</b>  <i>(Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the MCT.)</i>	<b>26 (or 24, 25, if re- quest for Recount is filed before deadline.)</b>  <b>Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.</b>			
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# October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 (or within 3 days of decision on Contests) 4:30 p.m. -Deadline for appeal to Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with Ex. Dir. of MCT and Reserving Tribunal rendering Decision).	10	11	12 (or within 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal)  Record of Contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.	13
14	15 → (hearing within 7 days Notice of Appeal)	16 ▶ Last day for Hearing on Appeal. ▶ Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or the election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 (or 10 days from Hearing on Appeal.)  Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.	27 Day following Decision of Appeal: Winning candidate prevailing on Appeal takes office.
28	29	30	31			