



# WHITE EARTH RESERVATION

**Vice-CHAIR & DISTRICT III** Eugene "Umsy" Tibbetts **SECRETARY-TREASURER** Leonard Alan Roy  
**DISTRICT I** Raymond Auginaush, Sr. **DISTRICT II** Kathy Goodwin

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## SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

A Special General Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Election of the White Earth Reservation Business Committee will be held on August 6, 2019 to fill the following positions:

### CHAIRPERSON – WHITE EARTH RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE – for the remainder of an unexpired FOUR (4) YEAR TERM

#### CERTIFIED CANDIDATES

Brent David Gish  
Michael Allen Fairbanks

ELECTION DATE: August 6, 2019

#### POLLING PLACES:

#### **GENERAL ELECTION BOARD**

Shooting Star RV Office  
777B SE Casino Drive  
Mahnomen, MN 56557  
\*\*\*ABSENTEE VOTING\*\*\*  
218-936-5622

#### DISTRICT I:

Bejou – Community Center, Main Street, Bejou, MN  
Beaulieu – Mary Lou Crandall Residence, 2125 220th Ave, Mahnomen, MN  
Pine Bend – Robin Ankery Residence, 1330 320th Ave, Lengby, MN  
Rice Lake – Community Center, CO Rd 35, Rice Lake Village

#### DISTRICT II:

Mahnomen – Old Tribal College Library, Main St., Mahnomen, MN  
Naytahwaush – Old Community Center, 2nd Ave, Naytahwaush, MN  
Waubun – Community Center, 1004 Central Ave, Waubun, MN

#### DISTRICT III:

Callaway – Community Center, HWY 59, Callaway, MN  
Ogema – VFW Hall, Main St. E., Ogema, MN  
White Earth – Community Center, Martin Drive, White Earth, MN  
Elbow Lake – Elderly Nutrition Center, Little Elbow Lake Village  
Pine Point – Elderly Nutrition Center, Pine Point Village

**CASS LAKE, MN**  
White Earth Family Office  
217 2nd St. NE

**MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**  
Indian Center  
1530 E. Franklin Ave

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

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

Attached is an excerpt from Election Ordinance revised 12/14/2017, which states the voting requirements. The Administration is directed to publish a public notice via Facebook, Everyone Email, Anishinaabeg Today, the RBC Building Entrance, the Administration desk, and at Community Centers.

Date: July 1, 2019



Leonard Alan Roy, Secretary-Treasurer

# THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE

## ELECTION ORDINANCE

(Revised 12/14/2017)



any associated Primary Election; a list of the duly certified candidates for vacant positions on the Band governing body; the designated polling places; the time for opening and closing of the polling places; and the voting requirements. The Band governing body will post the Notice at locations designated by the Band governing body on its Reservation. Within five (5) days after the deadline for the decision on the contest of the Primary Election associated with a Special Election, the Band governing body will prepare and post another Special Election Notice containing: the date of the Special Election; a list of the candidates for positions on the Band governing body resulting from the associated Primary Election; the designated polling places; the time for opening and closing of the polling places; and the voting requirements.

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.

Section 1.7.

Reservation Election Boards and Election Contest Judges.

1.7(A). General Reservation Election Board.

Within three (3) business days following the notice of certification of candidates for either a Regular Election or Special Election, the Band governing body will appoint at least four (4) eligible voters of the reservation as the General Reservation Election Board. One member of the Board will be appointed the Chair. The appointments will be made either directly by the Band governing body or through another process established by the Band governing body. Each appointee to the Board must have a thorough understanding of this Ordinance. The General Reservation Election Board will also be the District Election Board if the Reservation has no Districts. The General Reservation Election Board will be responsible for the overall conduct of the election. In addition, it will perform, in a nonpartisan fashion, all duties assigned to it by this Ordinance, including the processing and counting of absentee ballots, the certification of election results, the posting of election results, the safekeeping of election materials, and the consideration of recount requests. The Band governing body shall establish a work schedule sufficient for the Board to fulfill its duties.

1.7(B). District Election Board.

1.7(B)(1). Within three (3) business days following the notice of certification of candidates for either a Regular Election or Special Election, the Band governing body will appoint a District Election Board of at least three eligible voters from each voting district, and at least one alternate from that district. The appointments will be made either directly by the Band governing body, or through another process established by the Band governing body. One member of the District Election Board will be designated as the Chair, one as Clerk, and one as Teller. The Band governing body may also appoint one or more additional eligible voters from the reservation to serve as alternates in case any of the original appointees become unable or unwilling to serve. Each appointee as a board member or alternate must have training in this Ordinance. The General Reservation Election Board must attend training from the MCT in the application of this Ordinance. District Board members may also attend.