THE MCT ELECTION CALENDAR
2024 Regular Election
(revised 12/28/2023)

December 27, 2023:	Last day for sitting RTC member to give notice of resignation to file for other RTC office.
January 8, 2024:	Last day for sitting RTC member to give notice of resignation to file for vacated RTC seat.
January 11:	Election Announcement
January 12:	8:00 a.m. - Opening of period for filing for office.
January 22:	Close of filing period
January 31:	Selection of Election Court of Appeals Judge
February 12:	Deadline for Notice of Certifications of candidates to TEC.
February 14:	Challenge certification or non-certification of candidates to MCT by 4:30 p.m. on the second business day following receipt of certification.
February 15:	Deadline for appointment of Election Boards.
February 15:	Deadline for appointment of Election Contest Judge and alternate Election Contest Judge.
February 16:	Complete record of all documents related to challenge submit to Minnesota Chippewa Tribe by 4:30 p.m.
February 20:	Answer to challenge from the person whose certification is being challenged to the MCT by 4:30 p.m.
February 22:	Deadline for Decision of certification or non-certification by Tribal Court of Appeals.
February 23:	Notice of Primary Election and Posting.
February 28:	TEC provides ballots for Primary Election.
March 29:	Notify MCT on choice of appellate forum.
April 2:	Primary (Polling places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)

April 3:	General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results. (Prior to 8:00 p.m.)
April 4:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.
April 5:	Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
April 5:	Deadline to Post Regular Election Notice without Primary
April 9:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Contest of Primary Election. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe).
April 10: *(Results, if Allowed or April 8 or 9 If earlier request)*	Deadline for Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
April 19:	Deadline for Decision on Contest
April 22 *(or within 3 days of decision on Contest)*	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with the Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and with Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision).
April 24 *(at least two (2) days prior to the hearing date):*	Record of Contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
April 29 *(hearing within 7 days of notice of appeal).*	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal
May 9 *(10 days from hearing on appeal).*	Last Day for Decision on Appeal
May 10:	Notice of General Election (or earlier if no appeal).
May 10:	TEC provides ballots for General Election (or earlier if no appeal).
June 11:	General Election (Polling Places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)
June 12:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election. Prior to 8:00 p.m.
June 13:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
June 14:	Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)

June 18:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.)
June 19 *(or 18, if request for Recount is filed before deadline)*:	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
June 28:	Deadline for Decision on Contest for General Election.
July 1 *(or within 3 days of decision on Contest)*:	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).
July 5 *(at least two (2) days prior to the hearing date)*:	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
July 8 *(hearing within 7 days of notice of appeal)*.	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.
July 8:	Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or the election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals.
July 18 *(or Ten days from Hearing on Appeal)*:	Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.
Day following Decision of Appeal:	Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes office.

Election Ordinance Amendments
12/11/2023

Page	**Section**	**Changes** (added language)
7	1.3(C)(8)	grammatical change
9	1.3(D)(5)	Clarifying scope of criminal background checks

Conducting Criminal History Check. Each Band governing body shall designate the entity responsible for conducting the criminal history check. Criminal history checks shall commence immediately upon filing and execution of the required forms by persons seeking to be candidates and be completed prior to the date the notice of certification of candidates is due, provided that a late response shall not preclude a later determination of non-eligibility. The scope of each criminal history check _that includes a comprehensive search of federal, state, and tribal records for each candidate's entire adult life and_ shall be sufficient to reasonably verify the eligibility of each candidate under this section.

15	1.11	Correct cross reference
*	throughout	references to Executive Director changed to gender neutral terms