



The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

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PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

A Primary Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Election of the FOND DU LAC Reservation Business Committee will be held on April 2, 2024, to fill the following positions:

ELECTION DATE: April 2, 2024

POLLING PLACES:

GENERAL ELECTION BOARD

Fond du Lac Tribal Building
P.O. Box 430
1720 Big Lake Road
Cloquet, MN 55720

*****ABSENTEE VOTING*****

DISTRICT I:

Fond du Lac Tribal Center
ENP Dining Hall
1720 Big Lake Road
Cloquet, MN

DISTRICT II:

Sawyer Community Center
3243 Moorhead Road
Sawyer, MN

DISTRICT III:

Brookston Community Center
8200 Belich Road
Cloquet, MN

POLLS OPEN: 8:00 a.m.

POLLS CLOSE: 8:00 p.m.

CANDIDATES FOR CHAIRPERSON – 4 Year Term

James Roy Blacketter III
Victoria A. Smith (Vickie)
Kevin R. Dupuis, Sr. (Incumbent)
Bruce M. Savage
John A. McMillen

CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT I (Cloquet) COMMITTEEPERSON – 4 Year Term

Valerie A. Whitebird
Wally Dupuis (Incumbent)
Kami Diver
Michelle DeBolt
David Petite, Jr.
Juanita (Nucka) Anderson

CANDIDATES FOR DISTRICT III (Brookston) COMMITTEEPERSON – 4 Year Term

Roger M. Smith, Sr. (Incumbent)
Dawn M. LaPrairie
Earl Otis
Debra Johnson-Fuller
Bryan (Bear) Bosto

Attached is an excerpt from Election Ordinance revised December 11, 2023, which states the voting requirements.

Date: February 23, 2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elizabeth Drost", written over a horizontal line.

Elizabeth Drost, 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 may declare in his/her request which district has been selected in which to cast the ballot for Committeeperson. If an eligible voter does not and has not previously designated a district, that eligible voter may cast an absentee ballot that includes only the at-large positions up for election. Once a voter has resided in or declared a district, the 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.