



GRAND PORTAGE RESERVATION TRIBAL COUNCIL

ANNOUNCEMENT

TO: GRAND PORTAGE RESERVATION VOTERS

The **GRAND PORTAGE RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE AKA GRAND PORTAGE RESERVATION TRIBAL COUNCIL** hereby announces that a Special Election will be held on July 1, 2019 on the GRAND PORTAGE RESERVATION.

This SPECIAL ELECTION provides for a PRIMARY ELECTION on April 29, 2019 in the event there are more than two (2) eligible candidates for each open position.

Elected position to be filled is as follows:

**COMMITTEEPERSON AT LARGE – GRAND PORTAGE RESERVATION
BUSINESS COMMITTEE – for the remainder of an unexpired FOUR (4) YEAR TERM**

Candidates shall file with the Secretary-Treasurer or her designee during regular business hours beginning on March 7, 2019. Filing will close on March 18, 2019 at 4:30 P.M.

NOTE: The Election Ordinance (Revised 12/14/2017) provides that if a candidate receives more than half of the votes cast for that position in the primary, that candidate is the winner and no further election is required for that position.

Attached are the Dates & Guidelines for the 2019 Special Election.

Date: March 6, 2019


April McCormick, Secretary-Treasurer

**GRAND PORTAGE
SPECIAL ELECTION CALENDAR
FOR COMMITTEEPERSON
2019**

March 6, 2019:	Election Announcement for Special Primary Election and Posting
March 7, 2019:	8:00 a.m. - Opening of period for filing for office.
March 18, 2019:	4:30 p.m. Close of filing period
March 20, 2019:	Notice of Certifications to TEC
March 22, 2019:	Notice of Special Primary Election and Posting
March 22, 2019:	Challenge certification or non-certification to MCT by 4:30 p.m. on the second business day following receipt of certification.
March 25, 2019:	Complete record of all documents related to challenge submit to Minnesota Chippewa Tribe by 4:30 p.m.
March 25, 2019:	Deadline for appointment of Election Boards.
March 25, 2019:	Deadline for appointment of Election Contest Judge and alternate Election Contest Judge.
March 26, 2019:	Decision of certification or non-certification.
March, 28, 2019:	TEC/AES provides ballots for Special Primary Election.
April 26, 2019:	Deadline to notify MCT on choice of appellate forum
April 29, 2019:	Special Primary Election (Polling place open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)
April 30, 2019:	General Reservation Election Board certifies Special Primary Results. (Prior to 8:00 p.m. on the day following the election)
May 1, 2019:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Special Primary Results.
May 2, 2019:	5:00 p.m. Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board)

May 9, 2019:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Contest of Special Primary Election. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe).
May 14, 2019: <i>(Within 5 days Following the day Request is filed)</i>	Deadline for Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
May 20, 2019 <i>(Within 10 days of The deadline for Filing a Notice of Contest):</i>	Deadline for Decision on Contest of Special Primary Election
May 23, 2019 (<i>within 3 days of decision on Contest</i>)	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Appeal to MCT Tribal Elections Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with the Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe within (3) days of the contest decision, including a copy to Contest Judge who made the decision being appealed).
May 24, 2019:	Record of contest forwarded to MCT Tribal Election Court of Appeals.
May 29, 2019:	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.
May 30, 2019:	TEC/AES provides ballots for Special Election
June 10, 2019 <i>(Within 10 days of hearing on appeal).</i>	Last Day for Decision on Appeal
June 11, 2019:	RBC prepares and posts Notice of Special Election
July 1, 2019:	Special Election (Polling Place open from 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
July, 2, 2019:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Special Election. (Prior to 8:00 p.m. on the day following the election)
July 3, 2019:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Special Election results.
July 5, 2019:	5:00 p.m. Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board on the third day following the election)

July 8, 2019:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest of Special Election. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe of the seventh day following the day of the election.)
July 10, 2019 <i>within 5 days following the day Request is filed):</i>	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if (or Allowed.
July 18, 2019 <i>(or within 10 days of the deadline for filing a Notice of Contest):</i>	Deadline for Decision on Contest of Special Election
July 22, 2019 <i>(or within 3 days of decision on Contest):</i>	Deadline for appeal to MCT Tribal Election Court of Appeals. (Filed with the Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe within three (3) days of the contest decision, including a Copy to Contest Judge who made the decision being appealed)
July 26, 2019 <i>(At least two (2) days Prior to the hearing Date):</i>	Record of contest forwarded to MCT Tribal Court of Election Appeals.
July 29, 2019 <i>(within one week (7 days) from receipt Of the Notice of Appeal):</i>	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.
July 29, 2019	Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or the election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals.
August 8, 2019 <i>(or within 10 days of Hearing on Appeal):</i>	Last Day for Decision on Appeal of Special Election.
Day following Decision on Appeal:	Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes office.