



# The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

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## **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 March 31, 2026, to fill the following positions:

**ELECTION DATE:** March 31, 2026

### **POLLING PLACES:**

**DISTRICT I:**

Government and Community Services Bldg.  
5344 Lake Shore Drive  
Orr, MN 55771

**DISTRICT II:**

Vermilion Social Center  
1610 Farm Road South  
Tower, MN 55790

**BOIS FORTE DULUTH:**

**URBAN OFFICE:**  
Duluth Urban Office  
1915 South Street  
Duluth, MN 55812

**BOIS FORTE MINNEAPOLIS**

**URBAN OFFICE:**  
Minneapolis American Indian Center  
1530 E. Franklin Avenue  
Minneapolis, MN 55404

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

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

### **SECRETARY/TREASURER – 4 Year Term**

Carol Burr  
David C. Morrison, Sr.  
Jeffrey Mattson  
Peter “Chief” Boney  
Tara Geshick \*Incumbent

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

Only two (2) Candidates  
No Primary Election

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

Tim O’Leary  
Alanna K. Sherman  
Robert Moyer Jr. \*Incumbent

Attached is an excerpt from Election Ordinance revised 12/16/2025, which states the voting requirements.

**Date: February 17, 2026**



**Dr. Luke Warnsholz, 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 the 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.

# BOIS FORTE 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

Please send me an absentee ballot for the Bois Forte Primary Election scheduled for March 31, 2026, on the Bois Forte Reservation. By completing this form, I certify that I am an enrolled member of the Bois Forte Band who is eligible to vote in the Primary Election per the requirements of the MCT Election Ordinance.

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## DISTRICT DESIGNATION (PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE, REQUIRED)

District I (Nett Lake, Sugarbush, Indian Point)

District II (Vermilion)

Excerpt from Section 1.6(C) of MCT Election Ordinance: 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 thirty (30) consecutive days immediately preceding the election.

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By checking this box, I am also requesting an absentee ballot be sent to me for the General Election scheduled for June 9, 2026, in the event that such election occurs.

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE include ALL former names)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**(signature cannot be typed – must be your original signature)**

Submit this form via U.S. Mail or E-mail to:  
Bois Forte Reservation  
General Election Board  
PO Box 23, Nett Lake, MN 55772  
Email: [electionboard@boisforte-nsn.gov](mailto:electionboard@boisforte-nsn.gov)

Scan to Submit form  
online

