
TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

This year, the majority of Tribal Council seats are open for nomination and election. This will give interested tribal members the opportunity to be elected to the Tribal Council, and provide their services to assist in reaching our goal of Restoration and overall betterment of The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. Article IV, Section 3 of our By-laws states: No person shall be a member of the Tribal Council who is not an enrolled member of The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde of a descendant of relatives living or dead, who is/was a member listed of the official census of 1954 (final roll).

Section 4 states: Any candidate for the Tribal Council must be at least eighteen (18) years of age to hold office, must meet membership requirements, and is deemed by tribal members as likely to regularly participate in Tribal Council meetings and otherwise contribute to the stated objectives of the tribe.

Two absentee ballots are printed in this edition of "Smoke Signals" for your convenience. If other members of your family are eligible and would like to submit an absentee ballot, they may do so on a separate sheet of paper. Please make sure all of the information is included on all additional absentee ballots. A schedule for the absentee voting deadline is listed below.

August 1 - August 31, 1982: Absentee Votes - Absentee voter forms are included in the this newsletter along with a list of nominations received to date. These forms must be mailed or delivered to the Tribal office by August 31, 1982. The absentee voter forms must have your selections for Tribal Council members handwritten. They must also be signed and dated. Each eligible tribal member is allowed one (1) vote for each vacancy on The Tribal Council (a total of seven (7)).

After August 31, 1982, those tribal members wishing to submit nominations and cast votes for Tribal Council candidates can do so only at the September 12, 1982 General Council meeting. No proxy votes will be allowed. Please note the respective closing dates for nominations and absentee voting. Be sure to make your vote count by meeting those deadlines.

The positions up for election and names of persons filling those positions are noted on the cover page with asterisks.

The positions of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Sec. /Treas. will be filled by individual ballot. The remaining four (4) Councilperson positions will be filled by rank of file. The four candidates receiving the most votes will be appointed to one (1) year Council terms each.

NOMINATIONS INCLUDE:

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN

- Merle Holmes
- Les Houck

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-CHAIRMAN

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| Kathryn Harrison | Darrel Mercier |
| Dean Mercier | Bill Soderberg |
| Margaret Provost | |