

# General Council meeting

## 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13

*Tentatively:* Tribal Community Center

### NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, Aug. 19.....	10 a.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 2.....	10 a.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 16.....	10 a.m.

*Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.*

## LETTERS

### Dear Smoke Signals:

Regarding the current election:

Yes, I am all for a child care center at Grand Ronde; it is a wonderful idea. But why in the world is a \$60,000 study needed? That makes no sense to me. We vote for Tribal Council to have the brains to figure something like this out. So no on the ballot, but a big yes to the idea.

Secondly, it is vague to me what exactly is meant by “electronic voting.” Does it mean voting on the computer? If so, I say no. Or does it mean having electronic voting machines? If so, I say no. What exactly does it mean?

Sorry to be so obtuse. I have sent my ballot back already, but I would like to know about the “electronic voting.”

**Judith Pettibone**

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## Election Board has new office hours

The Election Board office’s new reduced schedule for 2020 is that it will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Sept. 11. Office hours are from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m.

The Election Office is located in the Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, and the phone number is 503-879-2271. A Tribal voter signature verification form can be obtained online at [www.grandronde.org/media/1517/voter-reg-form.pdf](http://www.grandronde.org/media/1517/voter-reg-form.pdf).

Ballots were mailed to voters with verified signatures on Wednesday, July 29. Tribal members may submit a verified signature form at any time up to and including Election Day on Saturday, Sept. 12. The Grand Ronde post office is no longer open to accept ballots on Saturday, Sept. 12.

It is the voters’ responsibility to ensure the ballot is received by the Election Board on Election Day – be sure to allow adequate time for the ballot to reach the Election Board by Sept. 12. ■

## Tribal Office Closures

Tribal offices will be closing noon Friday, Sept. 4, and will closed on Monday, Sept. 7, in observance of Labor Day. Offices also will be closed on Friday, Sept. 25, in observance of National Native American Day.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Sheridan, SW Polk and West Valley Fire Districts are recruiting volunteers for fire response, emergency medical response, and support functions. Please see our websites for volunteer applications and instructions.

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MONDAY, OCT. 5.....	OCT. 15, 2020

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