



2014 PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION

Key Points you should know.



What is a Primary Election? A Primary Election narrows the field of candidates before a General Election. The Community will have its first-ever Primary Election in August, followed by a General Election in September.



What Council Positions will have both a Primary and General Election? Council Member seats, including the Offices of the President and Vice President, will now follow a Primary and General Election process.



Whose terms are expiring this year? This year the terms of President Diane Enos, Vice-President Martin Harvier and Council Members Thomas Largo, Sr., Delbert Ray, Sr., Lorna Ray, and Willardine Sampson, will expire. Therefore, an election will be held for the offices of President, Vice-President, and 4 Council Member seats. District I (Salt River) will have 3 Council Member seats available and District II (Lehi) will have 1 Council Member seat available.



Do I Register to vote in SRPMIC elections? No, you do not have to "register" to vote in a Community Election.



Who Can Vote in Community Elections? Generally, you are considered a "registered voter" if you are : 1) an enrolled SRPMIC member, 2) 18 years of age on the day of or before an election, 3) not a prisoner in any jail or prison on the date of the election, and 4) have not been declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be incompetent.



Do I vote at the Primary AND General Election? Yes, if you are an eligible voter.



What if my address or other information has changed? All voters must provide any address changes to the Office of Membership Services, with the Community Development Department 15 days before an election.



What if I am a Non-resident Voter? Non-resident voters may only declare one Home District. Non-resident voters shall declare their Home District in writing with the Office of Membership Services within the Community Development Department.



What do I need on the day of Election(s)? A SRPMIC Tribal ID is required to vote. **It is now the only proof of identification that the Election Board will accept on Election Day.** If you need a new Tribal ID card, please contact the Community Development Department at (480)362-7600.



Will there still be write-in votes? Write-in candidates will only be allowed in the Primary Election. There are no write-in candidates allowed for the position of Chief Judge due to the process outlined in Section 4-23 of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances.



Will candidates have to take leave from their employment for both the Primary and General Elections? Yes, candidates who work for the Community government or its enterprises and divisions must take at least two weeks off prior to the Primary Election and if they continue on to the General Election, they must again take another two weeks off prior to the General Election. (Annual leave or Leave Without pay may be utilized.) This requirement does not apply to sitting Council Members or sitting Chief Judge.



If I have election questions who do I contact? Contact the Council Secretary at (480)362-7466 or the Assistant Council Secretary at (480)362-7469.