General Chapter election across Navajo Nation to take place November 3

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WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — Two complaints filed in Navajo courts were resolved this week ahead of the Navajo Nation Chapter General Election, which will move forward on November 3 at Navajo Nation polling places.

Navajo Nation polling sites will be open on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 3, from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time).

“The coronavirus pandemic has challenged every function of the government, and we are grateful to the Navajo Board of Election Supervisors and the Navajo Election Administration for taking the concerns of the public into consideration to ensure Navajo people who show up at polling places next Tuesday can safely cast their ballots. The election will take place on November 3rd, and we encourage all Navajo citizens to exercise their right to vote,” said Speaker Seth Damon.

Council delegates reaffirmed the decision to hold the combined primary and general election on November 3 after considering two election related bills last week.

The Council approved supplemental funding to pay poll workers through the Navajo Election Administration Office, which overseas the training of Chapter selected polling officials.

A separate bill to postpone the election was voted down by the Council based on broad support for allowing local Navajo Chapter communities the opportunity to select new local leadership that could start work shortly after the new year.

Absentee voting began Oct. 5, with deadline to submit a request for an absentee ballot occurring Oct. 19. In person early voting is currently underway until Oct. 30 at each agency’s Navajo Nation Election Administration Office. Ballots are available for in person early voting and the public is advised that CDC guidelines, including face masks and social distancing, are in effect at election offices.

More information may be accessed online at the Navajo Election Administration website: https://www.navajoelections.navajo-nsn.gov.

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Attachment: 2020 Navajo Nation Election Flyer

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2020 NAVAJO NATION CHAPTER ELECTION

TUESDAY – NOVEMBER 3, 2020
6:00 AM TO 7:00 PM MST

VOTER REGISTRATION CLOSES: OCTOBER 5, 2020 @ 5 PM MDT

ABSENTEE VOTING BEGINS: OCTOBER 5, 2020

VOTING IN PERSON
- Ballots will be available at all Navajo Nation Election Offices.
- The last day to vote in person at any Navajo Nation Election office is Friday, October 30, 2020 at 5:00PM MDT.

VOTING BY MAIL
- The Absentee Ballot Request Application with instructions can be downloaded @ www.navajoelections.navajo-nsn.gov
- An absentee ballot request application must be completed by the voter and a witness.
- Once completed, the voter may mail or scan & email the application to the Navajo Election Administration.
- The completed application must physically be in the NEA Office on October 19, 2020, 5:00PM MDT.

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