



Enterprise Rancheria

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Notice of Special Meeting of the General Council on May 21st, 2022 for Election of Election Board Members and Request for Letters of Intent to run for Election Board

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Dear General Council Members:

The Tribal Council is now accepting Letters of Intent from qualified General Council Members for two (2) Election Board positions that have expired. From the Tribes Constitution:

Article IX

Section 6. Election Board. All elections, to the Tribal Council or the Judiciary of the Rancheria, shall be supervised and conducted by an Election Board. The Election Board shall be comprised of three (3) duly enrolled lineal members of the General Council that have reached the age of twenty-one (21) years by the time of the election; provided, however that no member of the Election Board may have been convicted of a felony and may not be candidates for the Tribal Council or Judiciary.

(a) The three (3) members of the Election Board shall serve a term of two (2) years and be elected by secret ballot of the General Council at a duly called Special meeting of the General Council called for by the Tribal Council.

The Special meeting of the General Council for Election Board Elections will be held Saturday, May 21st, 2022, following the regular General Council Meeting via Zoom. At this time the Tribal Council is noticing the General Council that Letters of Intent to run for the Election Board must be submitted to the **Tribal Council** no later than **April 8th, 2022 by 5:00 P.M.** at the Tribal Office located at: 2133 Monte Vista Ave, Oroville, CA, 95966.

The Tribal Council will then verify candidate's eligibility to run for the Election Board, those eligible candidates shall be listed on the official voting ballot and mailed to all qualified General Council Members.

Candidates must submit proof of background check submittal along with their letter of intent. Please contact the tribal office for assistance or questions. The process for background checks has changed, please take note of this new process that was announced at the February General Council meeting.

The Tribal Office, The Election Board and the Tribal Council will not be involved with the background check process, it will be handled through the Tribal Attorney, John Maier. **A hard card (paper) set of fingerprints have to be taken, or a paper copy of the Live Scan.**

Step 1: Complete the Applicant Information Form. (I-783), a copy of this form is on the tribal website or at the tribal office.

- Complete and sign the form.
- You must have a complete mailing address. Please provide your telephone number and e-mail address on the form (if available).

Step 2: Obtain a Set of Your Fingerprints

- Fingerprints should be placed on a standard fingerprint form (FD-1164) commonly used for applicant or law enforcement purposes. It is recommended from a law enforcement agency.
- You must provide a current fingerprint card. Previously processed cards or copies will not be accepted.
- Your name and date of birth must be provided on the fingerprint card.
- You must include rolled impressions of all 10 fingerprints and impressions of all 10 fingerprints taken at the same time (these are sometimes referred to as plain or flat impressions).
- If possible, have your fingerprints taken by a fingerprinting technician at a law enforcement agency. The FBI recommends that red or purple ink not be used for fingerprinting.
- Fingerprints taken with ink or via live scan are acceptable. If your fingerprints are taken via a live scan device, a hard copy must be generated so the fingerprint card can be mailed to the FBI.
- If the last four digits of your Social Security number are needed on your response letter, then please ensure the full nine-digits or last four digits of your Social Security number are on the fingerprint card when submitting your request.
- Self-addressed envelopes will not be accepted. This includes pre-paid Priority Mail, FedEx account numbers, United Parcel Service, etc., foreign postage coupons, and requests to forward correspondence to the Department of State for the apostille process.

Step 3: Fill out the “Authorization to Release Criminal History Information and Release of Liability” form.

- A copy of this form is on the tribal website or at the tribal office. This form must be included when you send your fingerprints to the FBI CJIS Division. The address to include on the form is:
John Maier, Maier Pfeffer Kim Geary & Cohen, LLP (510) 835-2020
1970 Broadway, Suite 825
Oakland, CA 94612

Step 4: Submit Payment.

- Option 1: Pay by credit card using the Credit Card Payment Form (I-786). A copy of this form is on the tribal website or at the tribal office. Don't forget to include the expiration date of the credit card that you are using.
- Option 2: Obtain a money order or certified check for \$18 U.S. dollars made payable to the Treasury of the United States. Please be sure you sign where required.
- Important note: Cash, personal checks, or business checks WILL NOT be accepted and sending any of these will delay processing of your request.
- Payment must be for the exact amount of \$18.
- The FBI will provide one sealed response for each request received.

Step 5: Mail the Required Items Listed Above

- Signed applicant information form, fingerprint card, release form, and payment to the following address:
FBI CJIS Division – Summary Request.
1000 Custer Hollow Road
Clarksburg, WV 26306

The Tribal Attorney will receive the sealed results from the FBI. The background check will be examined for a felony conviction or any conviction for embezzlement. He will provide to the Election Board and Tribal Council a letter with the candidate's name and confirming eligibility to run. No information from the criminal history will be disclosed.

Eligibility to vote from the Tribes Constitution:

Article III, Section 1(A) Lineal Membership.

All persons of Indian blood whose names appear on the Department of the Interior United States Indian Service Census of the Indians in and near Enterprise {sic} in Butte County, California dated July 20, 1915, (AKA the 1915 census) and all their lineal descendants shall be eligible for membership provided, however, that those individuals are not at least one-sixteenth (1/16th) verifiable Indian blood shall not have the rights and privileges to vote or hold any elected or appointed offices of the Rancheria.