

Navajo Election Administration

Qualifications for Too'haltsoii Council of Naat'aanii Officer (Sheepsprings Chapter)

Too'haltsoii Council of Naat'aanii Ordinance (SS.09.08.0064/September 23, 2009)

1. Shall be a registered voter of the Sheepsprings Chapter and on the census roll of the Navajo Nation.
2. Shall be 21 years of age at the time of election.
3. Shall have knowledge and understanding of the Navajo Nation governmental affairs.
4. Shall not have been removed from a Chapter or Local Government Office within the five (5) years prior to the date of filing for candidacy.
5. If employed with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Bureau of Indian Education, or the Indian Health Service, obtain a written clearance stating there is no conflict of interest for the candidate in the event that he or she is elected to the Too'haltsoii Council of Naat'aanii.
6. Shall not have been convicted of a felony in any courts within the last five (5) years prior to the date of filing for candidacy.
7. Shall not have been convicted or plead guilty to a crime within the last five (5) years from the date of filing for candidacy in any courts (tribal, city, state, or federal) involving:
 - a. crimes of deceit, untruthfulness and dishonesty including but not limited to extortion, embezzlement, bribery, perjury, forgery, fraud, misrepresentation, false pretense, theft, conversion, or misuse of Navajo Nation funds and property;
 - b. crimes involving the welfare of children, including child abuse and/or neglect;
 - c. crimes involving the welfare of an elder, including elder abuse and/or neglect;
 - d. aggravated assault and aggravated battery; and
 - e. Must not have been found in violation of the Navajo Ethics in Government Law or the Election Code by a Navajo Nation court, the Ethics and Rules Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, Navajo Labor Commission, Office of Navajo Labor Relations, or similar body.
8. Shall not be certified as qualified for any public office of the Navajo Nation if he or she has not completely satisfied or otherwise has failed to fully comply with any order of any entity, including administrative hearing bodies and courts of the Navajo Nation, authorized to impose sanctions or penalties for violations of the Navajo Nation Ethics in Government Law.

Upon election and the taking of Oath of Office, a Too'haltsoii Council of Naat'aanii Officer shall:

- a. Not serve in any other Navajo Nation elective office
- b. Not be employed by the Too'haltsoii Council of Naat'aanii local government and a Local Government Support Center.
- c. Not allow employment with Navajo Nation, State, or Federal government or private entity to unduly interfere with his or her performance as a Council of Naat'aanii Officer
- d. Adhere to all applicable provisions of the Too'haltsoii Council of Naat'aanii Ordinance.
- e. Adhere to the Regulations and Standards of Conduct for Elected Officials of the Navajo Nation (ERC-08-001) issued by the Ethics and Rules Committee of the Navajo Nation Council effective January 04, 2008.
- f. Maintain his/her qualifications for the duration of his/her term.