

ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

December 5, 2013

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Maxine Margiotta, 11:09.

INVOCATION: Carl Wesaw.

ROLL CALL: Maxine Margiotta, P, Clarence White, P, Audrey Huston, P, Member-at-Large, Ruth Saldivar, P. Also in attendance, Petey Boehm, Carl Wesaw, Elders Rep.

AGENDA: Jason Auvil, planner, gave an overall view of the last census. Some of the items of interest were: we are growing by 8% every year. Age is 0-17-40%, 18-50 – 50%, 55 and older is 10% of the population. There are more males than females. 68% of our people do not own their own homes. 44% of the people have life insurance, 56% have no life insurance. A good number of our Elders, 25%, are on the poverty level.

Cindy Zwar, Pokagon Health Services, gave a short report.

When you receive your Medicare information, be sure and turn it into Petey. Make sure you turn in the paperwork for supplemental heating. Purple Shawl Project will be 12/8/13, 1:00 pm at the Gage Street property. The MIEA conferences will be held April 14-15-16, 2014, hosted by the Little Traverse Band in Petoskey, MI. Sault Ste Marie will host in July. No date as of yet.

Christmas baskets will be given out Dec. 12, 10:00 – 6:00, Dec. 13, 9:00 – 5:00, Dec. 14, 9:00 – 1:00, Dec. 15, 9:00- 1:00.

Carman O'Brien has agreed to Elder of the month for January.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: A resolution was passed giving a \$500.00 donation to the Shop with a Cop program.

Annual Christmas luncheon is Dec. 19, 2013, 11:00 at Elders Hall.

The gift exchange is still 10:00.

The craft show netted us \$164; the auction netted us \$303.

NEW BUSINESS: \$500 worth of clothing, books, games, envelopes and stamps were sent to the Veterans at Battle Creek.

Snowplowing will be compensated at \$25 for a total of \$100 for the year.

Any questions contact the Elders Council Secretary at (269) 782-7913.

Elders Hall will be closed December 23, 2013 to January 2, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS: A notice will be put in the newsletter asking for your comments on the Elder Spouse Stipend. We really need your input on this issue. Please take time and send your thoughts to us.

MINUTES: Clarence moved to accept the November minutes, Ruth supported.(4) yes, passed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Audrey Huston moved to accept the Treasurers report, Maxine Margiotta, supported, (4) yes, passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Language classes, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Monday morning.

Active living classes are held Fridays, 10:30 am – 12:pm.

Beading class will be December 11, 2013, 1:00pm.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Victor Starrett, Mary Jo Morris, Marge Moody, Dorothy Burgh, Marie(Manley)Harwood, Dorothy Gwilt, Jeff Ballew, Jerry Campbell.

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES: Tom & Bonnie Parrish, Earl & Theresa McFall, Marvin & Pam Wilson.

ADJOURNMENT: 1:30 pm.

Secretary Elders Council:

Acting Chairperson:

Date _____