

ELDERS COUNCIL MEETING

July 7, 2016

CALLED TO ORDER: 11:00 AM**INVOCATION:** Clarence White**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Maxine Margiotta made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report. Seconded by Cathy Ford. Passed.**7GEN: SCOTT WINCHESTER.** Steve Winchester, Steve Vandenbussche, Steven Berg, sites have been picked. Options 1, 2, and 3 were shown. Site 1 located near commodity building, 2 would be near roundabout, 3 Community Center area. All building would be handicap accessible. Time frame for construction is this fall. Sites were picked according to Master Plan. Next step is nailing down the site. 7 Gens will be working with Land Use and a survey will be mailed out.**TIME CAPSULE:** A sign-up sheet was out for anyone who is willing to work on the time capsule**TREASURERS REPORT:** Clarence White made a Motion to accept the treasurer report. 2nd. by Maxine Margiotta. Carried

Announcement by Roger Williams.

National Monument – Native American monument in DC. Write your representative for support.

National Gathering of American Indian Veterans sponsoring a Gathering August 20–21. If anyone is interested in attending more information will be gathered. Volunteers would be welcome. Maybe 5 per day.

People of Color: Togetherness of people.

SERVICE DOGS: question from floor – Are service dogs allowed? Yes, Signal Travel does allow service dogs. They must sit in front of person's feet.**Womb to Tomb:** Education department has a Womb to Tomb project. A New-Born will receive a blanket. There is a Blanket gifted to family of an individual who passes on. The person who recently passed was first recipient.**BETH WARNER:** Several individuals are currently on the list for Elders of Month. More people are welcome. Please call to be Elder of the Month. Beth introduced an Intern who assisted her in set up today, her name is Samantha Wilson**ELDER REP:** Judy Winchester. Michigan Historical Society has a group photo of the individuals who attended the Mt. Pleasant Boarding School trip. They are taking names for openings on that Committee. Ground breaking in Hartford Saturday, July 9 at 10:00. Hard Rock pool is now open. Now until July 25 Council is on hiatus.**ELDERS BUSES:** After next year's budget we'll take 2 buses. One bus will leave at one time, and another bus will leave at a later date. No switching buses if you have a friend who is on another bus. That would be too chaotic. Council members would also be split up.**MINUTES:** Maxine Margiotta moved to accept the minutes of June 2, 2016. Clarence White 2nd. Carried.**MIEA:** The bus will be leaving July 17. Departure time is 10:00 am.**PICNIC:** July 22, at Rogers Lake Pavilion. 11:00 – 3:00 pm**GATHERING:** The bus will leave on July 25 at 8:00 a.m. 1st stop will be in St. Louis, MO. Staying at the Hampton Inn. Arrive Tuesday. Thursday guest will be moved to Casino rooms. Leaving for home on August 01. Staying in Columbia City, Hampton Inn.

Kindles will be loaned on the bus to follow the Trail of Tears. Melissa Rodriguez will be contact person for the trip. Not Cathy Ford.

Adjourned: Cathy Ford moved to adjourn. 2nd by Clarence White. Carried**For other Elders Council meeting minutes, please visit: www.pokagonband-nsn.gov/government/elders-council/meeting-minutes**