

ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING February 01, 2018

Called to Order at 11:05 a.m.

Invocation by Clarence White

Roll Call: Maxine Margiotta, Chair, (P) Julie Dye, Vice Chair (P) Clarence White, Treasurer, (P) Judy Augusta, Secretary, (P) Cathy Ford, At-Large, (P) Judy Winchester, Elders Rep, (P) Beth Warner Elders Specialist (P)

Agenda

Treasurers Report, Laura Brychta. Motion by Clarence White to accept the treasurer's report of January 31, 2018. Seconded by Judy Augusta. Carried.

Tribal Police Chief Lux & Abigail Shanahan. Chief Lux spoke on the duties of Abigail and other officers. Abigail is the Community Outreach officer. She is a liaison between them and the citizens. Abby said there will be a self-defense class again. Chief Lux hopes his officers are helpful, kind, polite. There are currently 50 officers. Abby passed out oven mitts to all present.

The mitts had the Pokagon Tribal Police phone number printed on them.

Ed Williams, Legal Department. Ed went through the Elders Rep. election procedures. It is an elected position on Tribal Council, and a 3-year term. April 10 is the deadline to file. Elders Council will pick two candidates from the list.

Language/Culture. Katie and Marcus went through a list of upcoming classes. Dan Stohrer has worked 4 years in the Mentorship program. He will be helping with the Lock In and lacrosse. Blair Topash spoke on her duties as the Archivist. Kyle Malott, language specialist spoke on the clans and the pronunciations.

Judy Winchester, Elders Rep. Judy spoke of the South Bend Casino opening. MLK day the offices will be closed out of respect. Tribal Council will meet next Monday at the Community Center. MILS, Ann Chambelain will be working on-site weekly. Judy was selected to attend the NIGA meeting. The Justice Center needs a new building. February 12 there will be no Council meeting.

Beth Warner. Medicare Reimbursement need to be turned in. There is a Valentines Party on the 14th at the Community Center 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The Council on Aging (COA) helps with taxes.

Elders Concerns. Has Elders Council heard anything about the new Elders Building? No, they haven't.

Minutes. Clarence White moved to accept the minutes of December 07, 2017. Seconded by Julie Dye. Carried.

New Business.

- Julie Dye spoke that she will be working on setting up a Facebook page for the Elders. Julie and Beth will control the site.
- Two trips are scheduled for 2018. One in June and the other in August.
- Maxine spoke on the Summary of policies. Overview of the MIEA Policy/attendance.
- MIEA conference sign-up sheet will be out at Lunch. The contact person is Julie Dye. Hosted by Little Traverse Bay Band in Petoskey, MI.

Adjourned. Cathy Ford moved to adjourn at 2:40 p.m. Supported by Clarence White. Carried.

ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING April 05, 2018

Called to Order at 11:00 a.m.

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Agenda

Treasurers Report, Laura Brychta. No financial results today. All systems were comprised. Slowly working on come back. Homeland security and FBI were brought in. No personal data was breached. Call Laura at 462-4207 if you find taxes were not taken out of your February per cap.

Judy Winchester. City of Atlanta was also comprised. We're keeping an eye on that. Elders Hall phones are now working. Emails are good. Voicemail is still

sketchy. Bus Lines at South Bend Casino is good. Bingo machines are going well. Mark Parrish is working with DNR on a project. This year at the annual membership meeting Tribal Council did away with all the department handouts.

Beth Warner. No updates to report.

Concerns: Roger Williams asked if we were looking into the Mount Pleasant June 06 trip. He was informed Elders Council has been discussing the trip and are planning to take a bus up again and spend one night.

Candidate for Elders Representative. A discussion was held as to why the Elders Council was the ones to pick the candidates. The process is written by the Election Committee. Elders Council will meet with the Election Committee to determine if that process can be changed.

Minutes. Julie Dye moved to accept the minutes with corrections. Clarence White supported. Carried.

New Business.

A resolution for the Tribal Sovereignty Act of 2017 will be taken to the MIEA meeting this April 9 – 11. Teresa McFall will present at the Delegates Meeting asking it to be put on the agenda. Judy Winchester will be providing a packet of information to Teresa.

Old Business

July's Michigan Indian Elders Association. Interested people wishing to attend the meeting will put their names on a slip of paper, and names will be drawn to determine who will be going. This decision was made by Elders Council as there are a lot of people interested in attending the conference and this was the fairest way.

Selling of Arts, Crafts and products. Elders Council has passed a motion that says there will be no selling of these items at the Business Meetings. They felt there are other resources in which to sell. For instance the Art Extravaganza, pow wows. Round dances. Individuals could check with the Pokagon Arts Committee.

Elders Hall. The prospects of getting a new Elders Building are slow. Maxine was told the building is in the Five year plan. It could possibly in three years before it's built.

Announcement. Cub's tickets. Elders will be getting South Bend Cubs tickets. 4 will be issued to each interested person and food vouchers. The tickets will be given to Beth for distribution.

Those who are attending the April MIEA meeting, don't forget to bring your auction items.

Easter Bonnet Contest at the Social Lunch. There will be prizes for 3 winners. \$50, \$25, and \$15. There will also be a Pedro game.

The June trip drawing will be held April 12 at Elders Hall, 11:00 pm.

Looking for someone for Elder of the Month. The individual who participates will receive a check of \$75.00.

Snow Removal deadline is April 15. Turn in receipts with application. There have been about 30 applications thus far.

Language/Culture. Marcus announced the department is planning a Historical Tour with the children. He was asked if any interested Elders could also attend. By raising of hands it was determined there was enough interested individuals. Markus will look into setting something up. A presentation of Sacred Medicines was given. Cedar, sweet grass, sage, and tobacco.

Adjourned. Maxine Margiotta moved to adjourn at 1:40 pm. Supported by Judy Augusta. Carried.

Meetings Schedule for the Month. April 25 at Elders Hall, 1:30 pm.