

ELDERS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

June 7, 2012

MEETING: Jeanette Mollett, 11:03 a.m.

INVOCATION: Carl Wesaw

ROLL CALL: Jeanette Mollett, P, Maxine Margiotta, P, Clarence White, in at 11:20, Audrey Huston, P, Member-at-Large, Ruth Saldivar, P. Also in attendance, Petey Boehm.

AGENDA: Jason Wesaw, Cultural Center intern, explained that the Cultural Center would be the main identifier of the tribe and that input from the community is needed. A question was put forth as to whether the Gage St. property was considered, but Jason explained that it would contaminate the pure water. An area behind the pow wow grounds is being considered. They would like it to be completed by 2013.

Brad Yazell of the Yazell/Clark Funeral Home has been serving the tribe for a number of years, and has been learning how to conduct traditional funerals. He works well with all tribal traditions western door, drums, bathing. He helps with the Burial Fund, Social Security, and private insurance. They have native caskets made from white cedar logs and lined with Pendleton blankets, and our seal. At Rush Lake and Sacred Heart cemeteries there is no charge.

Bonnie Parrish gave a report on the winners of the MIEA student incentives awards. There were 23 Pokagon Band students who received the awards.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Phoebe Hall felt that our people should be more interested in our cultural and traditions.

Jeannie explained our involvement with the Youth Council. We feel it is a good thing to interact with our Youth. A trip was taken to Detroit for a baseball game. Young and old enjoyed the trip.

The issue about electric at the camp grounds was brought forth again. This issue will have to be taken to Tribal Council, as we have no control over this.

NEW BUSINESS: A meeting will be held on June 18 at 5:30 p.m. with Arthur Culpepper to answer questions about Pokagon Health Services at the Community Center. Petey introduced Doctor White, the new physician who will be practicing at the clinic.

OLD BUSINESS: A number of thank you cards were read by Audrey Huston thanking Tribal Council and Elders Council for the trip to New York. Everybody had a good time.

MINUTES : Maxine moved to accept the May 5, 2012 minutes. Ruth supported, (5) yes, passed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Audrey moved to accept the treasurers report, Jeanie supported, (5) yes, passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Language classes are held every Monday at Elders Hall, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Active Living classes will resume in the fall.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS: Liz Ballew, Bill Sigfrids, Kathy Ruff, Gayle “Rusty” Green.

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES: Gerald & Cookie Wesaw, Tom & Jackie Trux, (38 years)
Richard & Barbara Hiler.

ADJOURNMENT: 1:40 p.m.