

ODAWA TRAILS

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AT VICTORIES SQUARE IS VICTORY FOR WATER

Submitted by **Samuel Day**, Water Quality Biologist

The words, green and infrastructure, rarely go together. However, at the site of the former Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI, the Environmental Services Program is working hand in hand with the developer of Victories Square to incorporate green infrastructure into the mixed-



use development. Unfortunately, many mixed-use developments feature extensive use of impermeable surfaces such as large asphalt parking lots and concrete sidewalks that water is unable to penetrate. When rain falls (or snow melts) on these impermeable surfaces, all that water has to go somewhere. Traditionally, that water is diverted to storm sewers that carry water directly into the closest lake, river or wetland, carrying pollutants such as toxins, sediment, fertilizer and road salt. Fish and other organisms can consume pollutants leading to the accumulation of toxins in their meat. Gravel and cobble in streams and lakes can become covered in fine sediments like sand and silt, leaving fish like Trout (Namegos), Sturgeon (Nme), Walleye (Ooga) and Whitefish (Adikameg) without important spawning habitat. Excess phosphorous from fertilizers and soaps can lead to harmful algal blooms that are toxic to everything from birds to humans. Finally, just one teaspoon of salt per five gallons of water can be toxic to aquatic life.

Aside from the issue of pollution, impervious surfaces can lead to intense flooding in urban areas. In a healthy watershed with little development, plants and soil work together to soak up precipitation and slowly release that water to lakes and streams. In a heavily developed watershed with an abundance of impervious surfaces, that water is unable to access the soil and makes its way to lakes and streams in a huge rush. This can lead to major flooding that can damage personal property and infrastructure. As the Great Lakes region is forecasted to experience more extreme precipitation events under current climate change scenarios, this could be very problematic.

Fortunately, there is a solution to the contamination

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2021 LTBB ELECTION OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONY

Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley (on the right) and Vice Chairperson Stella Kay (on the left) pictured at right.



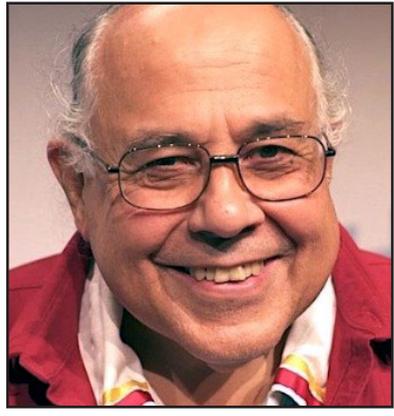
Tribal Council pictured below, left to right: Aaron Otto - Councilor, Leroy Shomin - Treasurer (back row), Fred Kiogima - Councilor, Marcella Reyes - Secretary, William Ortiz - Councilor (back row), Tamara Kiogima - Councilor, Emily Proctor - Legislative Leader, Marty Van De Car - Councilor. Missing from photo, Melissa Pamp - Councilor. *Photos by Wendy Congdon.*



2021 MILLIKEN AWARD WINNER: FRANK ETTAWAGESHIK HARBOR SPRINGS RESIDENT HAS MADE THE PLANET BETTER FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

By **Beau Brockett, Jr.**, Michigan Environmental Council Communications Specialist

Editor's note: The following article and photograph are reprinted here with permission. Frank Ettawageshik, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, received the 2021 Helen & Milliken Distinguished Service Award at the 23rd Annual Environmental Awards Celebration on August 19, 2021.



While an origin story like this is always debatable, Frank Ettawageshik is certain he's at least had some role in it.

It was summer 2005. Ettawageshik was in Duluth, Minnesota, with fellow leaders from local, state and federal governments releasing a report on ways

to best protect Great Lakes ecosystems. He represented Indigenous tribes as the chairman of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

Sometime during the summit, Ettawageshik spoke about a simple conservation practice: turning off the tap when brushing teeth.

Doing so, he said, means less water is used and less energy is generated to draw, move, dispose and purify it. Not a big deal if only one person does this, Ettawageshik admitted, but if everyone followed suit, the impact would be phenomenal.

"With 10 people, you can get more done," he said 16 years later. "With a thousand or ten thousand people, you can get a lot done. And with a million people, think of how much you can get done."

The teeth-brushing story is emblematic of the beliefs and ethos Ettawageshik has put into action for decades in the name of water and wildlife preservation, climate change protection and tribal sovereignty.

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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 9-20-2021 = 4,482

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 Odawa Trails Website www.odawatrails.com

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 242-1400 242-1700

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 242-1581

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 242-1508

Facilities Department **Tribal Court/Peacemaking Program**
 Simon Kenwabikise, Director Pat Boda,
 242-1532 Administrative Assistant
 242-1640

Education Department **Tribal Prosecutor's Office**
 Tammy Gasco, Administrative Assistant Brenda Schoolcraft,
 242-1480 Office/Intake Coordinator
 242-1642

Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department **Tribal Court/Peacemaking Program**
 Carla Osawamick, Director 242-1454
 242-1462

GIS Department **Tribal Prosecutor's Office**
 Alan Proctor, Director Gwen Teuthorn, Office Manager
 242-1597 242-1475

Health Department **Youth Services Department**
 242-1611 Tina Dominic, Coordinator
 242-1593

Election Board Chairperson

electionboard@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement

Debendiziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'anaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'iing debendiziwin ebidgwasiiing mnaadendiziwin miinwaa wiinmaadendiziing. Gdabendaanaa debendiziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakinigewinan, maadiziwin miinwaa mndooaadiziwin gaanaaniigaanijik debendamowaad. Maanda debendiziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajidonaa niigaan ezhbezhiigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadiziwin waabi'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadiziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendimowin, aakdeewin, gwekwaadiziwin, dbaadendiziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'iing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'iing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaaad maanda gbimaadziwinaa. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigi kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

LTBB Mission Statement

Being Odawa is all about freedom. The Freedom to be a part of a people who, with integrity and pride, still have and speak our own language. The freedom to share in common with all other Odawak the customs, culture, and spirituality of our ancestors. The freedom we have today we will bring to the future through unity, education, justice, communication, and planning. We will reach out to the next seven generations by holding to cultural values of Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth. We will utilize our Tribal assets to provide the necessary tools to become successful, hard-working community members who proudly represent our culture. With these values we will move the Tribe forward.

Contact Information

ODAWA TRAILS



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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content.

The deadline for the november 2021 issue of *Odawa Trails* is October 4, 2021.

You can e-mail or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or at 231-242-1427 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS



ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

ENJIBOOZBIIGENG - ENROLLMENT OFFICE

Services for our citizens:

- Picture Tribal Identification Cards – Available same day. May be requested via mail and electronically.
 - Address Changes – Adults only need to be notarized if not having mail sent to their home. Minors must be notarized annually. We have a Tribal Notary in office and many other onsite at the Government Complex.
 - Marriage License Applications – Please allow one business day to pick up the Licenses.
 - Tribal Directories – Available same day. We certify for our citizens:
 - Michigan Indian Tuition Waivers
 - Eagle Parts and Feather Applications
 - LTBB Indian Blood Quantum
- Apply to become a:
- Citizen – Application available via mail only

- Tribal Notary
 - Marriage Commissioner
- Need something?
- Request a document from your Enrollment file
 - Blood quantum adjustment
 - Relinquishment requests
- Have any questions or need a form sent to you? Call or email:
- Lindsey Doerfler – P: 231-242-1522
E-mail: ldoerfler@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Marin Taylor – P: 231-242-1521
E-mail: mtaylor@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Pauline Boulton – P: 231-242-1520
E-mail: pboulton@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Forms are also available on the LTBB Website.
<https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/enrollment>
<https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/forms>

Please Note:

Changeable address forms are available for LTBB Citizens at www.tinyurl.com/ltbbenrollmentforms. The forms must be printed and signed by the Tribal Citizen and hard copies returned to Enrollment. We still require the form to be witnessed or notarized depending on your address.

LTBB Enrollment Office 231-242-1521

LTBB ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Address Verification Forms are now being accepted through Email & Fax.

- Forms must be completed in full
- Hardcopies **MUST** still be mailed in or left in outdoor mailbox located in front of Administration Building

✉ Enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

📞 231-242-1526

Office is open for appointments
For questions or appointments call:
231-242-1522 – Katie
231-242-1521 – Marin
231-242-1520 – Pauline



THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE HAS A MAIL DROP BOX



It is located to the left of the front doors of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. We will have limited quantities of adult and minor address forms stocked. ****Weather Permitting****
We will happily set aside an envelope with any specific form(s) you may need as well.

Just give our office a call, and we will be more than happy to try to accommodate you.
All Enrollment services are available by appointment only. You may call or e-mail to work with our staff.
231-242-1521, 231-242-1522, 231-242-1520 or enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

2021 Tribal Directories Now Available!

Tribal Directories include adult name and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled before January 28, 2021, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

To receive your copy:

- ✓ Must include a copy of your Tribal Identification Card
- ✓ A \$5 check or money order payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians
- ✓ Choice of cover design. If you do not specify, we will choose for you!

Mail to: LTBB of Odawa Indians, ATTN: Enrollment Office
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.



Hoar Frost



Peanut Butter Falls



Lake Plumbago

IS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CURRENT?

Update your contact information with the Enrollment Department.

- ADDRESS
- PHONE NUMBER
- EMAIL ADDRESS
- VETERAN STATUS



Marin Taylor 231.242.1521
Pauline Boulton 231.242.1520

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Enjiboozbiigeng Enrollment Office

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule	FEES
Replacement/Expired Cards in person or via mail A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Any name charges, no charge. Free to Elders.	\$10
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/1/2021 Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file First 3 copies free, \$1.00 for each page thereafter.	\$1 ea
Marriage License Application Certified Copies: \$10.00 Photo Copies: \$5.00	\$25
Tribal Notary Application Residency/Business residency requirement Surety Bond: \$125.00 **Cannot be waived**	\$10
Marriage Commission Application Residency/Business residency requirement	\$25

*** Enrollment Fees waived for LTBB Veterans***

Need to update your address?

When you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an Address Verification Form.
Address Verification and many other Enrollment forms are also available at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. They can be found in the Forms Directory or on the Enrollment page of the website.
It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address form for any minor children.
If you are the custodial parent of a minor, please provide proof by documentation.
Upon reaching the age of 18, an Adult Address Verification form must be completed. Failure to do so may result in a delay of per capita payment.
If you are incarcerated and would like to continually receive the newsletter, you must keep your address current.
Minor verification forms must be signed and notarized.
Adult verification forms must be signed and either witnessed or notarized, depending on your address.
Contact the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521, 231-242-1520 or by e-mail enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We would like to start tracking LTBB Tribal Citizens who have completed military service or who are currently on active duty. If you are a veteran, please call us toll free at 1-866-652-5822 ext. 1521 or 1520. We will be asking you the following questions:

- (1) Name
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will be used by the Grants Department.
Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



TRIBAL NOTARY INFORMATION

The Tribal Notaries listed below are eligible to perform notarial acts within Little Traverse Bay Bands Jurisdiction unless he/she violates section C. Revocation WOS#2008-05 Tribal Notary Statute

*****Tribal Notary Services are available by appointment only. See below for contact information.*****

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Phone Number (231)	Surety Bond Expiration	Serial Number
Rebecca R Fisher	Active	242-1418	February 20, 2027	02-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	242-1462	June 5, 2023	05-09
Beverly J Wemigwase	Active	242-1400	February 21, 2027	10-09
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	242-1610	August 23, 2027	11-09
Marin C Taylor	Active	242-1521	May 14, 2024	13-09
Janice L Shackleford	Active	unavailable	February 16, 2026	14-09
Hayden Hooper	Active	242-1584	February 1, 2027	15-09
Lakota Washington	Active	242-1401	May 4, 2027	16-09

REQUEST FOR TCE - TIMELINE REMINDER

The LTBB Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind all Resident Tribal Members to please submit all Requests for TCEs prior to making the actual purchase(s). Due to the many areas of verification that occur with a TCE Request, DOC has up to 96 hours to process a completed Request once all backup and necessary information has been received – provided there are no issues found during the verification processes or circumstances that happen beyond our control (i.e., power outages, etc.).

within the 96-hour timeframe, so that there is a sufficient amount of time to complete the verification processes. While we do understand that sometimes this may not be possible – this should be a last resort situation and we ask that you please reach out to us as soon as possible if you do have a unique circumstance that does not allow you to submit your Request in advance. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the TCE process – please contact the LTBB DOC office at 231-242-1584 or by e-mail at DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

Please make an effort to submit your Requests

LTBB TAX AGREEMENT AREA FOR RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS

Listed are the townships that are included in the LTBB Tax Agreement Area. In order to receive the Resident Tribal Member benefits, your principle address must be within the Tax Agreement Area and must be on file with the Enrollment Department. Please take note of the townships denoted with an asterisk (*) as these are only partially included in the Tax Agreement Area. If you already live in the Tax Agreement Area and are not utilizing the Resident Tribal Member benefits, please contact the LTBB DOC Office, so I can go over these with you.

DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech. – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

LTBB Tax Agreement Area Townships

- Cross Village (all)
- Friendship (all)
- Little Traverse (all)
- City of Petoskey (all)
- Readmond (all)
- West Traverse (all)
- City of Harbor Springs (all)
- Bear Creek (all)
- *Resort (partial)
- *Hayes (partial)
- *Bay (partial)
- *City of Charlevoix (only North of the bridge)
- *Charlevoix Township (only North of the bridge)

A map of the Tax Agreement Area can be found on the LTBB website under the Commerce section. The DOC Office is also available to help citizens determine whether or not their address falls into the Tax Agreement Area. DOC can be reached by calling 231-242-1584 or by e-mailing

Temporary Help Wanted

Are you a tribal citizen who would like to:

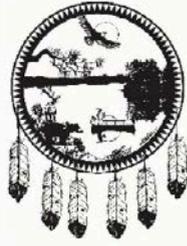
- Gain valuable work experience?
- Work in the tribal community?
- Make a little extra money?
- Gain experience in several fields?

Apply today to join our LTBB Temporary Worker pool!

Temporary assignments can last one day or as long as a month or more. Contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Human Resources Department today!

Call: 231-242-1563

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Attendance at Various Meetings and Events										
DATE	August 2021	Emily Proctor	Julie Shananaquet	Marcella Reyes	Tamara Kiogima	Melissa Pamp	Leroy Shomin	Marty VanDeCar	Fred Kiogima	Fred Harrington, Jr.
8/3/21	Tribal Council Work Session	X			X	X	X	X	X	
8/5/21	Tribal Council Meeting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8/10/21	Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting			X	X		X		X	
8/13/21	Land and Reservation Committee Meeting									
8/17/21	Tribal Council Work Session	X		X	X			X	X	
8/19/21	Tribal Council Meeting Morning Session	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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DATE	August 2021	Emily Proctor	Marcella Reyes	Tamara Kiogima	Melissa Pamp	Leroy Shomin	Marty Van De Car	Fred Kiogima	William Ortiz	Aaron Otto
8/19/21	Tribal Council Meeting Afternoon Session	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs

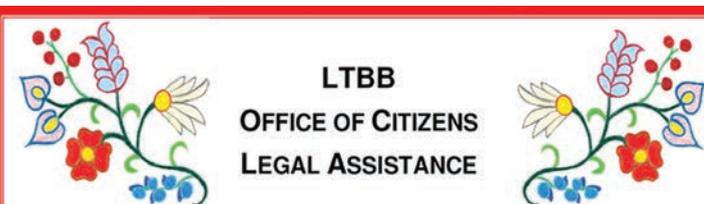


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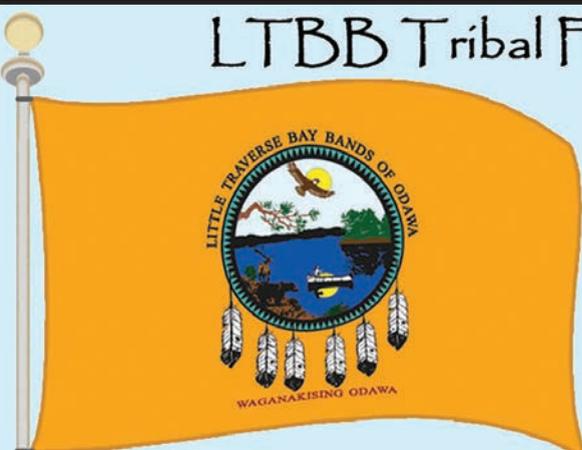
The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide free legal advice to enrolled tribal citizens in non-criminal matters such as:

- ❖ **Family Law**
 - Divorce
 - Child Custody
 - Child Support
 - Guardianships
 - Parentage/Paternity
- ❖ **Indian Child Welfare Act / Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act**
- ❖ **Setting Aside a Conviction**
- ❖ **Driver License Restoration**
- ❖ **Estate Planning**
 - Wills
 - Health Care Directives
 - Powers of Attorney
- ❖ **Probate**
- ❖ **Landlord/Tenant**
 - Evictions
 - Tenant Rights
- ❖ **Consumer**
 - Debt Collection

The office is available to provide legal guidance and drafting of certain legal documents but does not provide in court representation at this time. The office may give procedural advice only on matters that are of a criminal nature or involve the Tribe or other Tribal Citizens as a potential party in a dispute.

For assistance and to make appointments, Please call Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5 pm
231-242-1433

LTBB Tribal Flags for Sale!!



For more information, contact Don Portman at biindigen@gmail.com or 231-487-1093

October Elders Birthdays

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|---|---|---|
| <p>October 1
 Roberta Williamson
 Daniel Boda, Jr.
 Carmen Chippewa</p> <p>October 2
 Mary Gillespie
 Francis Burch, Sr.
 Pamela Gibbs</p> <p>October 3
 Michael Harrington
 Patricia Shawa
 Thomas Duvernay
 Curtis DeGraff
 David Strate, Sr.</p> <p>October 4
 Allen Barber
 Janice Hollister
 Lance Kilborn
 Mary Ozuna
 Mary Ross
 Shirley McCallister
 Charles Shananaquet
 Lawrence Nadeau
 Catherine Gibson</p> <p>October 5
 Dawn Taber
 David Baldon, Jr.
 Matthew Crossett
 Bonnie Grismer
 Denise Crampton
 Janet Ettawageshik
 Mark Lovay
 Arlene Brilley</p> <p>October 6
 Virgil Sharkey
 Dianne Daybird
 John Henderson
 Monica Hill</p> <p>October 7
 Andrea Pierce
 Delores Pierzynowski
 Richard Lasley</p> <p>October 8
 Leonard Crossett, Jr.
 Marcene Bernard
 Patrick Moore
 Francis Burch, Jr.</p> <p>October 9
 Karen Frerer</p> <p>October 10
 Emelia Lacey
 Melvin Thompson
 Joanne Schnurer</p> | <p>October 11
 Dennis Cutler
 Robert Kenney, Jr.
 Steven Schmidt
 Yvonne Sharkey-Fetherston
 Dwayne Couillard</p> <p>October 12
 Donna Budnick
 Annette Asbury
 Douglas Hegenbarth
 Charles Kiogima
 Gary Shomin</p> <p>October 13
 Lisa Brookins</p> <p>October 14
 Nancy Davis
 Tony Reinhout
 Maurice Sands, Jr.
 Larry Head
 Yvonne Kott</p> <p>October 15
 Michael Keway
 Dorothy Wolf
 Joseph Potter
 Dora Willison
 Cheryl Cutler</p> <p>October 16
 Susan Wilmore
 Michael Casey
 Mary Gasco
 Richard Shomin
 Cheryl Kilborn
 Joseph Blevins
 Kathleen Blue
 Cassandra Chingwa</p> <p>October 17
 Glenn Stead</p> <p>October 18
 Mary Wert</p> <p>October 19
 Marcetta Tysver
 Frank Bernard
 Edward Shenoskey
 Gail Fiorino
 Yvonne Keshick
 Jane Bogart-Smith</p> <p>October 20
 William Wasageshik, Jr.
 Sandra Bloch
 Carol Atherton
 Brenda Bailey</p> | <p>October 21
 Marvin Mulholland
 Randy Gibson</p> <p>October 22
 Laurie Gauthier
 Mona Hugo
 Paul Nyberg
 Kenneth Shomin
 Melvin Panchot, Jr.
 Barbara Howard</p> <p>October 23
 Lyle Martell
 Susan Reece
 Pauline Kullik
 Anthony Shawa</p> <p>October 24
 Kathleen Criminger
 Gregg Conrad
 Kelly Gordon
 Patricia Baker</p> <p>October 26
 Janice Burton
 Robin Gould
 Colleen Himelright
 Lucius Cabinaw</p> <p>October 27
 Daniel Romer
 Janet Shomin
 Sara Thomas
 Mark Miles</p> <p>October 28
 Stephen Daybird
 Roger Kamper
 Maurice Field</p> <p>October 29
 Douglas Covey
 Frederick Harrington, Jr.
 Mary Simmons
 William Portman, Jr.
 Catherine Pallitta</p> <p>October 30
 Sally Rager
 Marlene Morse
 Violet Montez</p> <p>October 31
 John Scott
 Dolores Gregg
 Yvonne Brown
 Gregory Weidenfeller</p> |
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Anishinaabe Racial Justice Coalition Gathering

CULTURE IS POWERFUL
 CULTURE IS HEALING

FRIDAY 10/15/21 - 10 AM - 6 PM
 SATURDAY 10/16/21 - 10 AM - 6 PM

MARKIN GLEN PARK - J TYLER FAMILY SHELTER
 5300 N WESTNEDGE AVE, KALAMAZOO, MI 49004

MEALS ARE PROVIDED. TRAVEL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE.
 WE WILL FOLLOW COVID-19 CDC AND MDHHS SAFETY GUIDELINES.

REGISTER - WWW.NATIVEJUSTICE.ORG/COALITIONGATHERING2021
 QUESTIONS - HOLDEN@NATIVEJUSTICE.ORG

*Healing stories
 Coalition building
 Community collaboration*



LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS'
**HALLOWEEN
 SAVE THE DATE**

OCTOBER 29TH, 2021



SCAN FOR
 EVENT DETAILS



STAY TUNED FOR INFORMATION ON MOVIE SHOWINGS AT
 THE LTBB POW WOW GROUNDS THIS FALL!
 (COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES PERMITTING)

HOT CIDER COOL PRIZES DONUTS BOARD GAMES TABLE GAMES

LTBB YOUTH SERVICES PRESENTS

Family Game Night

JOIN US FOR A SOCIALLY DISTANCED FAMILY EVENT:
YOUTH CENTER BACK LOT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15TH
 6 PM-9 PM

CALL OR TEXT **231-340-1910** TO RESERVE A
 TABLE FOR YOUR FAMILY
LIMITED SEATING, RSVP TODAY



915 EMMET STREET, PETOSKEY

Sponsored by CARES & LTBB Youth Services

Parking on Emmet or Washington St
 Pls do not park at Tom & Dicks



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY HEALTH STAFF MEMBERS HARVEST PRODUCE FOR TRIBAL COMMUNITY



Miigwetch to these four ladies — (pictured from left to right in the courtesy photo) Marlene Gasco, Kayla Coates, Angeline Roberts and Joann Steele — for putting in extra work each week harvesting from our HomeGrown fields to provide fresh produce to our tribal elders and surrounding community.

They harvested hundreds of pounds of corn, potatoes, peppers and tomatoes to be delivered to our elders with their meals. While they are exhausted at the end of each harvest, they each

expressed such passion in making sure our community has food and nothing goes to waste.

Sometimes, when we buy veggies at the supermarket or take a few things from the Home-grown coolers, we don't always think about how the food got there. There is a lot of work that goes into this program.

Chi-Miigwetch ladies for everything you do in making sure our community continues to have access to fresh vegetables.

Courtesy photo.



Great Gifts Jewelry Beads • Books Music & More

Indian Hills Gallery

1581 M-119
PETOSKEY, MI 49770
231-347-3789 OR 1-866-385-2026



LTBB Behavioral Health has an open Talk-line for community members.

If you are feeling a need to talk with someone, please reach out to us! Take advantage of this resource before experiencing a crisis.

The *Talk-line* is open from 8 AM to 5 PM and is staffed by a LTBB Behavioral Health counselor.

Call 231-242-1645 to speak to a counselor.

COMMUNITY HEALTH HOSTS DIABETES WALK A THON

Community Health recently hosted its first virtual event, August 10 – August 16.

Since the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow was cancelled this year due to the pandemic, Community Health still wanted to be able to provide some sort of physical activity for everyone to participate in and this was how the Diabetes Walk A Thon came about.

Diabetes has a huge impact on our community and loved ones. After doing some research, we found there are currently 414 LTBB Tribal Citizens diagnosed with diabetes. So, the goal was set. In a group effort, 414 miles need-

ed to be counted for and each of those miles represented a community member.

Forty-five participants stepped up for the challenge and were able to surpass the goal with ease. After the seven days were over, this group walked a staggering **817.49 miles. What an amazing tribute!**

The following participants are as follows:

Tammy Willis, Charla Gordon, Angie Woodin, Tammy Gasco, Angela Friend, Brenda Schoolcraft, Kristin Haley, Missy Merchant, Jody Gasco, Sara Hacker, Amanda Stead, Randy Koch, Jordan Shananaquet, Celestine Peto-

skey, Kim Gabrick, Theresa Boda-Naganashe, Marchanda Ostrander, Mindy Taylor, Kristopher Ostrander, Cheree Crawford, Natalie Denemy, Chris Wemigwase, Bill Denemy, Debra Janney, Maria Sargent, Joe VanAlstine, Riley Sargent, Tina Foltz, Fred Harrington, Jr., Kiki Keller, Julie Harrington, Lisa Schaller, Amanda Weinert, Keirsten Schaller, Cheryl Kishigo, Billi Jo Head, Emma Gasco, Andrea Gamelin, Debra Meert, Holly LaCombe, Nicole Alvarenga, Regina Gasco-Bentley, Dr. Frank Animikwam, Rachael Koepp, Jade Barnes and Christina Dubois.

Courtesy photos.



NATIVE WAY

LTBB Community Health is excited to announce you are now able to schedule your workout sessions.

If you already have a membership, all you need to do is scan the QR code with your cell phone camera to begin.



If you do not have a membership, you will need to have a current physical. Once your physical has been completed, then you will need to call Marlene Gasco, Health Wellness Advocate, to schedule your orientation. (231)487-1796

Brought to you by LTBB Community Health
<https://tinyurl.com/NativeWaySignUp>



LTBB Pharmacy

Hours: Monday – Friday 8 am – 6 pm
Phone: 231-242-1750

What prescriptions are filled at the LTBB Pharmacy?

- Prescriptions written by LTBB Clinic Providers
- Prescriptions written by providers where you have been referred to by the LTBB Clinic

PLEASE BE AWARE OF HOLIDAY HOURS AND MEDICATION REFILLS.

REMEMBERING YOUR ANNUAL MAMMOGRAM



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. However, we shouldn't only be mindful for one month per year, we

should be aware of our breast health all year-round. Be sure to check your Doodooshaks by scheduling your annual screening mammogram.

If you are unsure when you had your last mammogram, the LTBB Health Clinic providers will be sending reminder letters to all of their patients who are due or overdue for their annual mammograms. The reminder letter, signed by your provider, will be asking you to reach out to Emily Ferroni, the Patient Navigator, at 231-242-1772 to schedule your screening mammogram. If you have not yet received a reminder letter,

but know you are due for your screening, call Emily at 231-242-1772 to schedule your appointment.

Your health matters to us, so please remember to stay up to date on your breast cancer screenings. If you are concerned about paying for your screening, all of our tribal insurance plans cover annual breast cancer screenings at no cost, and we also have free screening opportunities for uninsured women.

We look forward to helping you prioritize your health, so schedule your mammogram today!

Courtesy graphic.

EAT WELL BE WELL

The LTBB Community Health / Mnozhyaadaa Department is EXCITED to announce that our Dietitian is able to meet with patients via Zoom!

Recently, Charla Gordon, MA, RD, CDCES, CHES, completed her Certification for Well Coaches! So, if you need assistance in preparing your pantry, making healthier food choices, or to have someone work with you on making changes to improve your health, then contact Charla!

SPECIALTY SERVICES:
 +Weight Management
 +Children's Health
 +Specialty Diets
 +Improve performance for all body types

Email Charla today to schedule an appointment!

CGordon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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STARTING AUG. 14, 2021

FOR PHYSICIAN/PROVIDER VISITS (EXCEPT KARMANOS)

- Use Temporary Entrance Aug. 14 thru Aug. 29, 2021
- Use New Main Entrance Starting Aug. 30, 2021

M NEW Main Entrance
 Hours: 6 am – 10 pm, M-F;
 Weekends 8 am – 9 pm

- Inpatient Visitation
- Imaging Services (X-ray, CT Scan, MRI, Breast Health, etc.)
- Laboratory (Blood Draw)
- Labor & Delivery
- Direct Admissions

COMING SOON:

- Physician/Provider Visits (Except Karmanos) Starting Aug. 30, 2021
- McLaren family medicine and urgent care offices Opening Fall 2021

S Surgery Center
 Hours: 4:30 am – 5 pm, M-F

- Surgery
- Endoscopy
- Radiation Therapy

E EMERGENCY
 Hours: Always Open

- Emergency Care
- After-hours Labor & Delivery
- COVID Care

H Heart Center
 Hours: 6:30 am – 5 pm, M-F

- Cath Lab

K Karmanos Cancer Institute
 Hours: 7:30 am – 5 pm, M-F

- Chemotherapy
- Infusion
- Karmanos Physician/Provider Visits

Community Support Group

Provided by: LTBB Behavior Health

Zoom meeting will take place every Tuesday and Thursday @ 12 pm Starting 4/9/2020

The meetings are intended for anyone that would like to talk to others during this difficult time. Cultural Advisor, Matt Davis and Case Manager, Sara Hacker will provide the community with Information on; community resources, cultural teachings, talking circles and more.

Information on how to participate please call 231-242-1640

LTBB TOWN HALL MEETINGS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 13
 November 10 and December 8

For updates on time and LTBB Department agendas, follow the official Facebook page at www.facebook.com/LTBBODAWA

Town Hall meetings are held on ZOOM at www.tinyurl.com/ltbbtownhall Use passcode 002323

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE

These times we are living in are tough. A pandemic used to be only mentioned in Hollywood movies and now, we are living through one. Sometimes, schedules change daily. It is up to each one of us to live the safest and best way we know how. We are noticing a large resurgence in our local area and have implemented a mask requirement in our gov-

ernment buildings. Remember to practice the 3 W's – wash your hands, watch your distance and wear a mask. We can all work together to get through this pandemic. Remember, your health care staff. They are working hard to keep us healthy and minimize our risks. We hope you stay safe and don't forget to call your loved ones.

LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS

Please note that ALL LTBB Governmental offices are closed on these dates, this includes Mskiki Gumik offices

LTBB Town Hall meetings are now available to be viewed at:
www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/townhallmeetings.html

- October 11, 2021 - Indigenous Peoples Day
- November 11, 2021 - Veteran's Day
- November 25, 2021 - Thanksgiving
- November 26, 2021 - Day after Thanksgiving
- December 23, 2021 - Christmas Eve
- December 24, 2021 - Christmas
- December 30, 2021 - New Year's Eve



LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

MZINIGANGAMIK CULTURAL LIBRARY UPDATE



Submitted by **Celestine Petoskey**, Cultural Librarian

Mzinigangamik has new hours! To make the LTBB Cultural Library more accessible, we will be open past 5 p.m. on Monday and Thursday every week! Come check out our awesome collections and the new titles we added to our shelves.

We also have a new book return drop box for the library in front of the LTBB Government Building. If you are unable to return library materials during business hours, you may drop them there.

One of our broken Little Free Libraries has been repaired, and you can now find it in the entryway of the LTBB Health Clinic. Feel free to take a book or leave a book. They are free to whomever wants to take one.

We also have book BINGO for youth, teens and adults beginning this month and will be featuring a new BINGO challenge each month through February. More details about incentive prizes and deadlines can be found on the library website at <https://littletraversebay.library.site/>

Happy reading and miigwech!
Courtesy photos.

NEW LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10 AM - 6 PM
Tuesday	9 AM - 5 PM
Wednesday	9 AM - 5 PM
Thursday	10 AM - 6 PM
Friday	9 AM - 5 PM

We welcome everyone to visit our Official Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/LTBBODAWA>. Please be respectful in your comments.

OCTOBER BOOK BINGO ~FOR KIDS~

The Moon		Black or Orange Cover	Read under a Blanket	Pumpkin
Ghosts	Read on a Saturday	Ebook or Audiobook	Set on Halloween	
Crow or Raven	Read out Loud		Set in the Woods	Your Favorite Book
Magic or Spells	Animal is Main Character	Color or Draw a Halloween Picture	Read for 20 Minutes	Yellow or Red Cover
Candy, Treats, or Sweets	Spooky	Read with a Flashlight		Skull or Skeleton

READ OR DO AN ACTIVITY TO MARK A SQUARE!

OCTOBER BOOK BINGO ~FOR TEENS/ADULTS~

Poetry	Ebook or Audiobook	Black or Orange Cover		Read in bed
Have Cider or Pumpkin Spice Drink	Read for 45 Minutes	Candy, Treats, or Sweets	Set on Halloween	Crow or Raven
	Mystery	Skull or Skeleton	Pumpkins	Your Favorite Book
Witches	Ghosts or Zombies		Read on a Sunday	Full Moon
Cemetery or Graveyard	Read with a Flashlight	Yellow or Red Cover	Werewolves or Vampires	

READ OR DO AN ACTIVITY TO MARK A SQUARE!

SMILE WITH CONFIDENCE

Elders Dental Assistance Program is now processed through the Health Department! Call to see if you qualify! 231-242-1600

Don't miss out on the sounds of life. Hearing aid assistance is now processed through the Health Department. Call to see if you qualify! 231-242-1600

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

OCTOBER 2021 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Open Distribution: 12th - 15th from 9am - 3pm
 Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week
 828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch's Auto

Deliveries:
 Local: 7th and 8th
 Peshawbestown: 20th
 Traverse City: 26th
 For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAlstine at 231-347-2573



DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE LTBB U.S.D.A. FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM?

Please call our office to see if we are able to help you!
 Call Monday - Friday
 8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620.
 *food distribution varies depending on availability

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Al-Anon Family Groups
 Strength and hope for friends and families of problem drinkers

Al-Anon Meetings

LTBB Health Park, every Wednesday 7-8 pm
 Use the right back door for entrance and parking.

There is no magic formula that enables you to help someone stop - or cut back - on his or her drinking. Alcoholism is a complex problem with many related issues. But, Al-Anon can help you learn how to cope with the challenges of someone else's drinking. Come ask questions, share or just listen.

231-675-7044 www.miafg.org

ANTIOXIDANTS

 Carrots Betacarotene	 Garlic Allicin	 Lemon Hesperidin	 Tomatoes Lycopene
 Walnuts Tocopherols	 Black grapes Resveratrol	 Broccoli Glutathione	 Apple Quercetin
 Turmeric Curcumin	 Onions Quercetin	 Green tea Catechin	 Peppers Capsanthin

SEEKING: FOSTER HOMES

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
 Department of Human Services
 is searching for foster homes!

If you, or someone you know, have the time and desire to become a foster parent for our youth, please contact the LTBB Department of Human Services at 231-242-1620

LTBB Anishinaabemowin

Find us on **facebook**

Dengwe-Mzinigan: Face-Book
 Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department hosts Facebook Group called "LTBB Anishinaabemowin."

We will post materials for language learning, announcements and flyers. Materials will be accessible on the group page under the "Photos" tab or the "Files" tab. PowerPoints with audio and PDF's are downloadable.

- Search our name and "Join."
- Add your family and friends.
- Post Comments and Language Items.

For more information, contact Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department at 231-242-1457 or toll free 1-866-652-5822 or e-mail LangTech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Your Child's Early Development is a Journey

Check off the milestones your child has reached and share your child's progress with the doctor at every visit.

6 MONTHS

- Starts here
- Copies sounds
- Begins to sit without support
- Likes to play with others, especially parents
- Responds to own name
- Strings vowels together when babbling ("ah," "eh," "oh")
- Uses simple gestures such as shaking head for "no" or waving "bye bye"
- Copies gestures

12 MONTHS (1 YEAR)

- Responds to simple spoken requests

18 MONTHS (1 1/2 YEARS)

- Says "mama" and "dada"
- Pulls up to stand
- Says several single words
- Knows what ordinary things are for: for example, telephone, brush, spoon
- Plays simple pretend, such as feeding a doll
- Points to show others something interesting
- Walks alone

2 YEARS

- Follows simple instructions
- Kicks a ball
- Says sentences with 2 to 4 words
- Gets excited when with other children

3 YEARS

- Points to things or pictures when they're named
- Copies adults and friends (like running when other children run)
- Carries on a conversation using 2 to 3 sentences
- Climbs well
- Plays make-believe with dolls, animals and people
- Shows affection for friends without prompting

4 YEARS

- Hops and stands on one foot for up to 2 seconds
- Would rather play with other children than alone
- Tells stories
- Plays cooperatively
- Draws a person with 2 to 4 body parts

These are just a few of many important milestones to look for. For more complete checklists by age, visit www.cdc.gov/ActEarly or call 1-800-CDC-INFO.

FAMILY EDUCATION AND SUPPORT LTBB MINA MSKIKI GUMIK 231-242-1721

Community Language Class - Fall 2021

When: Tuesday evenings from 6-7:30PM, beginning September 7th - December 14th, 2021

Where: via Zoom

Open Zoom app; click "Join a Meeting," enter 990-147-0213
 OR click on/type into browser: [www.https://Zoom.us/join](https://Zoom.us/join) and then enter 990-147-0213



For more information, contact:
 Theresa Keshick
 tkeshick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
 Phone: 231-242-1457



STAY CONNECTED!

Text "HigherEd" to 33222 to receive LTBB Higher Education updates and deadline reminders. Standard data and msg rates apply.

Area Pantry Schedule

EMMET COUNTY

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm
7489 Mission Road, Alanson
231-548-5462

Liberty Baptist Church - call for pantry
services 7247 South US 31, Alanson
231-548-5836

Church of Christ - 1st & 3rd Sun
12:30-1:30pm 308 Monroe St., Petoskey
231-437-0210

Bay Shore Pantry - 2nd & 4th Tue
12-3pm 06072 US 31 North, Bay Shore
231-347-3618

The Manna Pantry - Tue 9am-12pm &
2nd & 4th Thur 3-6pm; call for emergen-
cies - 8791 McBride Park Court, Harbor
Springs 231-347-8852

Harbor Springs Community - Mon
9:30am-12pm - 150 West Main (enter
through double doors on 3rd Street),
Harbor Springs 231-526-2414

Pellston Area Food Pantry - Wed
5-6:45pm - 161 Highway 31, Pellston
231-638-3568

First Christian Church - Wed 9am-12pm
308 Monroe, Petoskey 231-347-6181

Salvation Army - Mon - Fri 9am-12pm
712 Pleasant Street, Petoskey
231-347-3531

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 9am-
12pm; call for emergencies - 415 State
Street, Petoskey 231-347-7423

Cross of Christ Church - 2nd Thu 5-7pm;
4th Thu 9-11am - Paper pantry only
1450 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey
231-347-5440

Seventh Day Adventist Clothing Pantry
Mon-Tues 10am - 2pm
1404 Howard St., Petoskey
231-347-2560

Northern Michigan Diaper Pantry - 1st &
3rd Fri 9:30am-11:30am - 8781 McBride
Park Court, Harbor Springs
(bldg. next to Manna)

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Boyne City Community - 1st Mon 10am-
12pm & 3rd Mon 5-7pm - 401 State
Street, Boyne City 231-582-2551

Boyne Valley Pantry - Thu 2-5pm
3031 Main Street, Boyne Falls
231-549-2230

Seventh Day Adventist - Mon 6-8pm,
Wed 10am-12pm - 326 Park Street,
Boyne City 231-582-0151

Bible Baptist Church - 1st & 3rd Thu
6-7pm; call for emergencies - 05855
M-66 North, Charlevoix 231-547-4300

Charlevoix Community - Mon and Thu
10am-12pm; last Sat 10-11am - 101 State
Street, Charlevoix 231-547-9122

Care & Share - Tue 2-4:30pm; Thu
9:30am-12pm - 710 M-32, East Jordan
231-536-7423

Walloon Lake Community - 2nd & 4th Tue
5-6:15pm - 4320 M-75, Walloon Lake
231-535-2288

ANTRIM COUNTY

Bellaire Community Pantry - Mon 1-5pm
& Thu 10am-5pm - 205 Broad Street,
Bellaire 231-533-8973

Good Samaritan - Tue 10am-7pm, Wed,
Thu, Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-2pm
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth
231-588-2208

Antrim County Baby Pantry - 2nd & 4th
Thu 12:30-4pm - 209 Jefferson Street,
Mancelona 231-584-8401

Community Lighthouse - Tue & Thu 9am-
5pm - 430 West State Street, Mancelona
231-587-9967

Mancelona Pantry and Resale - Tue,
Wed, Thu 9am-4pm - 200 Maple,
Mancelona 231-587-9606

Area Soup Kitchen Schedule

EMMET COUNTY

First Presbyterian Church - Thu & Sun
12-1pm - 501 East Mitchell Street,
Petoskey 231-347-4793

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 12-1pm
415 State Street, Petoskey
231-347-7423

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm
7489 Mission Road, Alanson
231-548-5462

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Lighthouse Community Lunch Program
Mon & Thu 11:30am-1:30pm
104 State Street, Charlevoix

Charlevoix United Methodist Church
231-547-8040

ANTRIM COUNTY

Good Samaritan - Thu at 12pm
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth
231-588-2208

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

The LTBB Survivor Outreach Advocate administers Support Services and is located in the LTBB DHS office. Assistance is available to Native American women and children who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence as well as non-Native intimate partners and their families.

Assistance may include the following:
Non-Emergency Transportation Assistance ~ Assistance with Personal Protection Orders ~ Problem Solving and Safety Planning ~ Emergency Food Vouchers ~ Advocacy and Referrals ~ Court Accompaniment ~ Relocation Assistance ~ Clothing / Toiletries

Please call LTBB Survivor Outreach Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm

Support for domestic abuse or sexual assault is also available at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan 24-hour crisis and information line at 231-347-0082 or for long distance callers 1-800-275-1995.

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NEED HELP PAYING FOR CHILD CARE? WE CAN HELP!



APPLICANT DOCUMENTS

- ★ TRIBAL ID
- ★ SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- ★ 30 DAYS PROOF OF INCOME FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- ★ SUPERVISOR SIGNED WORK/SCHOOL SCHEDULE
- ★ PROVIDER AGREEMENT

LICENSED PROVIDERS

- ★ COPY OF STATE UNEXPIRED LICENSE

UNLICENSED PROVIDERS

- ★ STATE ISSUED ID
- ★ ABILITY TO PASS ANNUAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
911 SPRING STREET, PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN

The 7 Grandfather Teachings guide us in our

actions

to end sexual violence

mnaadendmowin (respect)
nbwaakaawin (wisdom)
zaagidwin (love)
gwekwaadziwin (honesty)
dbaadendizwin (humility)
aakde'ewin (bravery)
debwewin (truth)



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa
Survivor Outreach Services
Call Monday through Friday 8-5: (231) 242-1620

24-Hour Crisis and Information Line:
(231)347-0082 or (800)275-1995
Operated by Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan

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If you or a loved one is a victim of Domestic Violence, help is available.

National Resource Center
on Domestic Violence
1-800-799-7233

Stronghearts Native
Helpline
844-762-8483

National Domestic
Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233

LTBB Survivor
Outreach
231-242-1628

LTBB Behavioral
Health
231-242-1640

Women's Resource
Center
231-347-0082 or
1-800-275-1995



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NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT



Subsistence Gillnet Workshop

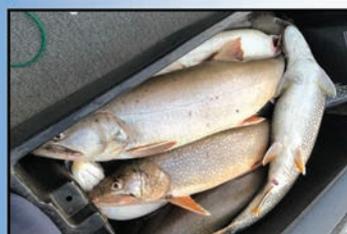


October 2-3, 2021

Little Traverse Bay, MI

LTBB NRD is looking for teams of 2 LTBB Tribal Citizens interested in learning traditional and effective means of catching fish in the Great Lakes.

This training will be in-person with COVID-19 precautions. We recommend members of the same household. Interested teams must sign up by Sept. 27th. Participation is limited and it will be on a first-come, first-serve, basis. E-mail dhinmon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or call 231-242-1670. We will e-mail you an information packet.



Teams must be LTBB Citizens and have your subsistence license, you will need weather appropriate gear, a medium cooler and an adventurous spirit!

LTBB Natural Resource Department Gun Safe Program



Drawing to be held on October 27, 2021 at the Natural Resources Commission Meeting.

Applications can be obtained at the Natural Resource Department. Accepting Applications until October 1, 2021.

- * Must be an LTBB Tribal Citizen
- * Must have a Valid LTBB Hunting/Fishing License
- * Preference given to households with children under the age of 21 years
- * Must Submit Gun Safe Application

If you have any questions, please contact LTBB Natural Resource Department

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Phone 231-242-1670

dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



Annual Youth and New Hunters Deer Hunt Sponsored by the LTBB Natural Resource Department



October 23, 2021

Requirements:

- Meet at the Natural Resource Building — leaving NRD promptly at 2 p.m.
- Will travel to site from NRD Building.
- Will hunt until sunset (roughly 7 p.m.)
- There will be prizes.
- Youth and hunters with little or no experience are welcome to participate.
- Youth and all hunters born after 1988 must present a Hunter Safety certificate.
- All hunters must have a current LTBB Hunting/Big Game License.

To sign up, please contact the Natural Resource Department at 231-242-1670, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or e-mail information to dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov — space is limited, so reserve your space early. At time of registration, please indicate whether registered youth needs a mentor or firearm to use when hunting.

EAGLE REMAINS RETENTION INFORMATION



The LTBB Natural Resource Department is pleased to announce that after years of work on the issue, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has recently changed its policy to allow federally recognized tribes to keep eagle remains found in Indian country. Tribal citizens who encounter eagle remains or feathers within the LTBB reservation boundaries may be able to retain them for culturally significant use. Any deceased eagle encountered must be reported to LTBB Conservation Enforcement immediately for investigation prior to moving or taking the eagle.

For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department at: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 231-242-1670 E-mail: dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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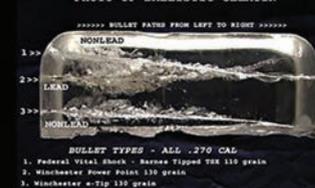
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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department Lead to Non-Lead Transition

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For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Natural Resource Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1670

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Deer Processing Hands On Workshop

LTBB of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department

- Pre-registration is required.
- Space is limited.



OCTOBER 25, 2021

The Natural Resource Department is sponsoring a deer processing workshop on October 25, 2021 at 5 p.m. Open to all LTBB Tribal Citizens and their immediate family.

Class to be held at 5 p.m. at the Natural Resource Pole Barn



COVID restrictions are in place. We will be practicing social distancing and wearing face masks.



YOU WILL NEED:

- A sharp knife
- Apron (optional)
- Pre-register, class size is limited.

Call Now!
Register Today!

Phone: 231-242-1670

This is a **Hands On Class**. Instruction will be provided on processing the deer.

Instruction will include:

Cutting & de-boning the deer.

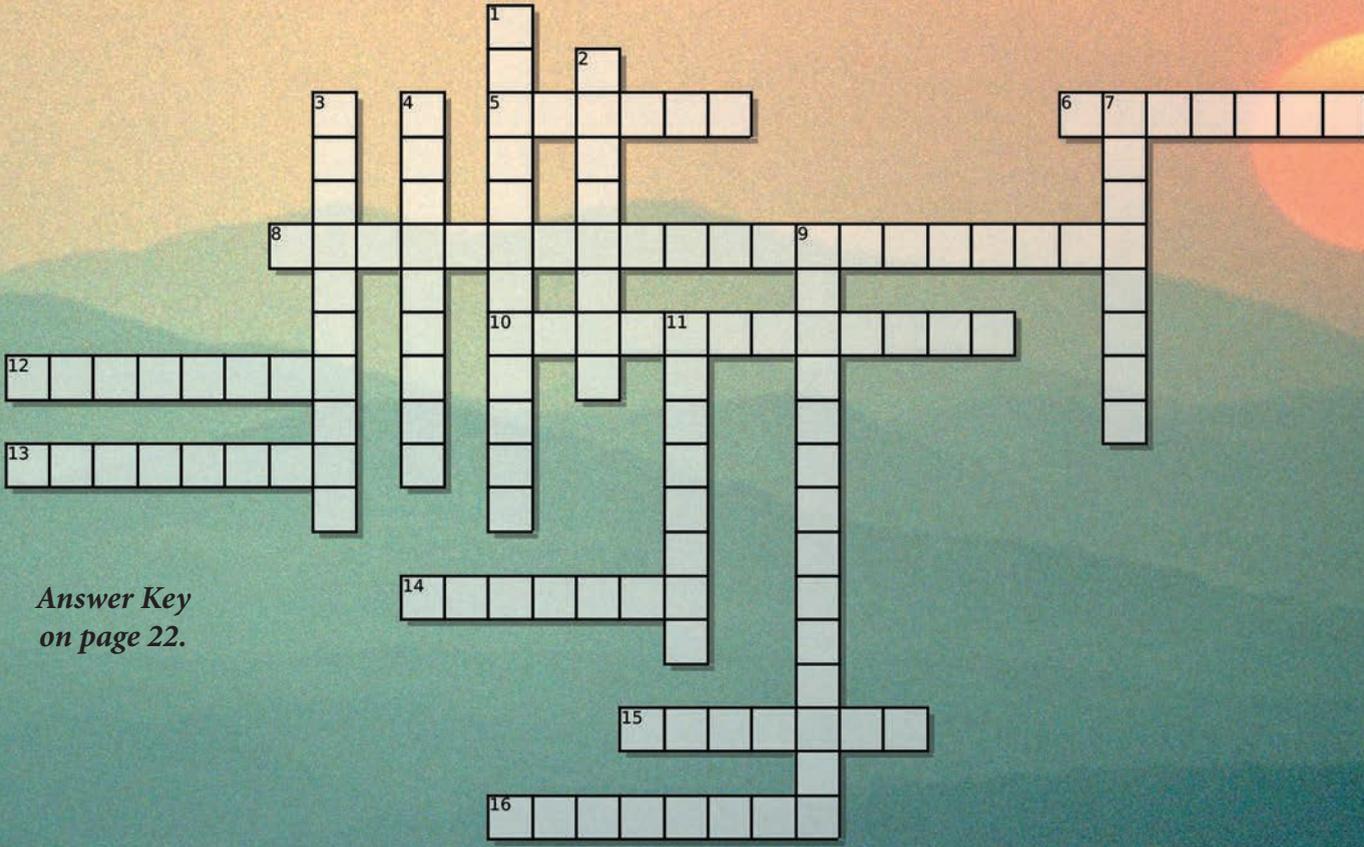
Packaging/wrapping the meat.

Be prepared to handle the meat, cut it up and wrap it.

Dress appropriately.

GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

D'gwaagik In The Fall...



Answer Key
on page 22.

ACROSS

- 5 It is cold.
- 6 It is raining.
- 8 dried corn
- 10 corn soup
- 12 Halloween
- 13 pumpkin
- 14 in the fall or Autumn
- 15 to burn or scorch

16 piniik

DOWN

- 1 It is cool.
- 2 apple
- 3 vegetables
- 4 corn
- 7 fire
- 9 Falling Leaves Moon or October
- 11 acorn

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Due to HUD guidelines, the Housing Department is required to do an environmental review regardless of the work being done. The process of these reviews can take up to three to six months; we cannot proceed until this process has been completed. Please be aware there is a possibility the review could come back with a negative impact, in which case, could be cause for denial.

AANKWADONG
on the cloud

CALL FOR PHOTOGRAPHS FROM LTBB COMMUNITY

LTBB Aankwadong Project, of the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department (GALD), is still looking for photographs from community members to use in the development of their online classes. The goal is to have as many different individuals, families and areas represented as possible. For a complete list of photos needed, please go to <https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/departments/language/> Please note that all photos need to be originals, taken by either the person submitting them or their relative. Photos must be clear, good quality digital photos.

Email your photo(s) to Eva Oldman, Aankwadong Project Coordinator, at eoldman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Please include your name, phone contact, name of person who took the photo and name of person in the photo.

Miigwech for contributing and supporting this exciting project!

COMING THIS FALL ONLINE LANGUAGE CLASS

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The Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department is offering **FREE** online community language classes. Learners can sign up **NOW** for Beginning 1 Anishinaabemowin. This is a fall semester class part of a two year program. This two year program will be four 15-week courses with summers off. **FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE** to log in on your own days and times. **NO LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.** Basic computer skills required. Certificates will be awarded upon completion of program.

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Contact

Eva Oldman: 231-242-1549 | Email: Aankwadong@LtbOdawa-nsn.gov
Address: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

BINAAKWII GIIZIS 2021 - FALLING LEAVES MOON

EGAACHIIWJIK BEBAANIBWAACHWEJIK - THE LITTLE ONES VISIT

By Maryann Endanawas, Project Instructor/Fluent Speaker

Ngoding sa ninaakshik ngiinibwaachaa niwijiikwenh. Waasa oodi emtigwaaki giidaa, Waawaaskingaa giizhinkaade shkwaniigan.

One evening, I went to visit my friend. She lived way back in the woods, this place was called "Land of the Birch Trees," known today as Birch Island.

Aapji sawiigo giignaajiwan gaadaat beshaa wiikwedong giidaawok minwaa niibna mtigook nwaanch ezhinaagwazijik giitaayiing giibiwok.

She lived in a beautiful area by the harbor, surrounded by many trees.

Ngiiwiisnimi ntam minwaa ngiinibwaachidmi. Gimaapiich ngiinoodwanaa goyaa shkwandeming. Giionaabi oodi gaawii wayaa giwaabmaasiinaa neyaap giibigwaandawe. Mii go minwaa gimaapiich goyaa noondwanaa eshkam gwa mbiigawetoo goyaa gojiing.

First, we ate supper and visited. Then later, we heard someone at the back door. We went to look and didn't see anything, so went back upstairs. Then again, we heard someone, it was getting louder.

"Aamiigo maano" kida niichkiwenh "wesiinh yaawdik." Mii dash giiniibiishaabooket miisa giindamit. Oodi dash enji-jiibakweng, waasechiganing giimoozaabi. "Wegnesh ewaabimaat?" ndinaa. Naabi dash gwa gojiing, wewiipaan kida.

"Oh, just leave it," said my friend, "it's probably just an animal." Then, she went to make tea, and suddenly, she calls me over. Then by the kitchen window, she was peeking at something. I asked her, "who do you see?" She was still looking outside, and she said, "hurry up, come over here."

Miisa genii giinaabyaanh shtaataahaa, niizh mkoonhsak ngiwaabmaanaanik shkwandeming beshaa naaniibwiwok.

So, I went to look and my goodness, we seen two little bear standing by the door!

Enwek gwa miishkintam waabmagwa ezhiwaawninaagoziwok makoonsak. "Aambe" kida dash niijkiwenh "niisaandwedaa." Mii-dash oodi shkwandeming ngiiginoonaanik mkoonhsak.

They were the cutest little bear cubs I have ever seen. Then, my friend says, "let's go downstairs." When we got to the door, we started to talk to them.

Gishpin tooyin gninch shkwandem waasechiganing miigo gewiinwaa ezhichigewaad. Ngichibaabaapimi, wiidookwaandwaa gonda mkoonsak. Gmaapiich giibikwandawe wiidigemaagnan, miidash ekidad aangwaamsik beshaa miyaadik debenmaad.

If you put your hand on the glass window of the door, they would do the same thing. We laughed and laughed as we played with the cubs. Then, her husband come up from downstairs and he told us be careful, the Mother is very close by.

Miisa ndawaach giinikwaandoweyaang shpimsagong. Waasechiganing ngiijiginawaabmaanaanik. Gebeyiing giidaminawok zhiwe, kwaandewaat kwaandaagning, minwaa njigwaashkiniwaad.

So, we decided to go back upstairs. We watched them through the window. The bear cubs continued to play, climbing the deck stairs and jumping.

Gegaa ngiibiinganaanaanik mkoonhsak wiibi. Aapji gachiiwok minwaa waaaninaagwaziwok, dibishko binoojiinak ezaagaawaad damini-makoonhs.

That day, we almost let the cubs inside. They were small and cute, just like the teddy bears that children love.

Giibikinomaagewok minwaa ngiwaamadagonaanik ezhizaakjigaadek bimaadiziwin. Gego kitaachke zhinoomaagen zaagidwin, wiidaminayin, wiibaapin, minwaa wiiminwendaagwazin.

They taught and demonstrated to enjoy life. Not be shy but, to love, to play, to laugh and to have fun.

Naagdoon minobimaadiziwin. Follow the good life.

Ebiimoshin
(modern phrase to say "e-mail me")

Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List - One word at a time - E-mails sent of a single word or phrase with MP3 audio sound attached.

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Send us an e-mail, and we'll add you to the "Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List" or the "Anishinaabemowin E-mail List." Carla Osawamick (McFall) at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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888-818-POMC
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Pathways to Safety International
833-SAFE-833
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844-7NATIVE
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INFO & REFERRALS FOR VICTIMS

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Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Country
Child Abuse Hotline
800-633-5155
Federal Trade Commission Identity
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877-FTC-HELP, TTY 866-653-4261
National Center for Missing &
Exploited Children
800-THE-LOST®
Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration Helpline
800-662-HELP, TTY 800-487-4889
VictimConnect Resource Center
855-4-VICTIM



Digwaagi, Digwaagik	Fall/Autumn, In/During the Fall
Aansemagad nigokinoonwin	The season is changing.
Aansewok giizisook.	The months change.
Waabgaa-Giizis Bnaakwii-Giizis Baashkaakodin-Giizis	Autumn Moon, September Falling Leaves Moon, October Freezing Moon, November
Nswe giizisook biwok ngokinoonwin.	There are three months in the season.
Kisina.	It is cold.
Kisina gojiing.	It is cold outside.
Nikisina gojiing.	It's starting to get cold outside.
Tikeyaamigat.	It is cool.
Nitikeyaamigat naakshik.	It's starting to get cool in the evenings.
Tikoosinoon giizhigadoon.	The days are short.
Eshkam tikoosinoon giizhigadoon.	The days are getting shorter.
Giizhoopizan.	Dress warm.
Giizhoopizan gojiing zhaayin.	Dress warm when going outdoors.
Zgaknige kitigaaning.	Putting away/gathering up what is left in the garden.
Kina zgaknige kitigaaning gnoos.	Your father gathers up everything in the garden.
Niibiishensan minwaandeenoon.	The leaves are beautiful colors.
Aandaandemigat.	They are changing colors.
Kina gego aandaandemigad.	Everything is changing colors.
Tikaagimi nibiish.	The water is cold.
Nitikaagimi nibiish.	The water is getting cold.
mtigomin	acorn
Baatiinwok mtigminak mtakmik.	There are many acorns on the ground.
mshiimin	apple
Niibna biwok mshiiminak mshiimin-naatigoong.	There are a lot of apples on the apple trees.
mandaamin	corn
Miigo wiiba dazgaknigaazawaad mandaaminak.	Soon, the corn will be harvested.
koosmaan	pumpkin /squash
Binaakwii-Giizis nakaaznaawaan kosmaan.	Pumpkins are used in October.
Minaazgaadenoon koosmaan Digwaagik.	Squash is cooked in the Fall.
zhingwaakamin	pine cone
Zhingwaakaminak niibna giindagoojinook.	Many pine cones have fallen.
binaakwa'igan	rake
Binaakwa'ige.	She/He is raking.
Megwaa binaakwa'igewok.	Now is the time people (they) are raking.
Tasewang	Halloween
Tasewang zhinkaade menaajtoowaad.	Halloween is what is called that is celebrated by many people (they).
Waabaande	It is a faded, pale color.
Mii maanda pii zhiitaat shkakmikwe, waabaande kina gegoo.	At this time, Mother Earth prepares herself, everything turns into lighter colors.

NATIVE NEWS

TRIBES, STATES SEEK REVIEW OF ICWA

By the *Associated Press*

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.



The U.S. Supreme Court has been asked to review a case which centers on whether Native Americans should receive preference in adoptions of Native children.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals issued a sharply divided ruling in April over the federal Indian Child Welfare Act. The law gives Native American families priority in foster care and adoption proceedings involving Native children, and places reporting and other requirements on states.

The appeals court upheld the law and Congress' authority to enact it.

But, the judges invalidated some of the law's placement preferences, including for Native American families and Native foster homes, saying they violate equal protection rights under the Constitution.

The court also ruled some of the law's provisions unconstitutionally control the duties of state officials in adoption matters.

Now, four petitions are seeking review. They ask the U.S. Supreme Court to decipher the complex ruling which had multiple partial dissents and partially concurring opinions. On some issues, a majority of the appeals court agreed. On others, the court tied, meaning the original decision from a U.S. District Court in Texas on the issues prevailed. The appeals court ruling on the issues isn't considered precedential.

The states of Texas, Louisiana, Indiana and seven individuals — three non-Native couples and the biological mother of a Native child adopted by a non-Native family — want the law

thrown out. The children are enrolled or potentially could be enrolled as Navajo or Cherokee, White Earth Band of Ojibwe and Ysleta del Sur Pueblo.

The district court sided with the states and individuals who argued the Indian Child Welfare Act was unconstitutional because it was racially motivated and violates the Equal Protection Clause.

A panel of the 5th Circuit disagreed with the lower court. The majority of the court agreed to rehear the case and upheld the determination that the law is based on the political relationship between federally recognized tribes and the U.S. government, not race.

The lead defendant — the U.S. Department of the Interior — and a handful of Native American tribes are asking the Supreme Court to determine whether the plaintiffs had standing to challenge the law's placement preferences. They've long championed the law as a way to protect Native American families and their cultures and want it kept wholly intact.

The case is the most significant challenge to the Indian Child Welfare Act since it was passed in 1978. Studies have shown that before then, up to one-third of Native American children were being taken from their homes by private and state agencies, including church-run programs, and placed with mostly white families or in boarding schools in attempts to assimilate them.

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Award applications can be found online, in person at the Education office or mailed per request (contact Education at 231-242-1480).

USDA ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE OFFERS A PLETHORA OF INFORMATION

Did you know the amount of sugar in one serving of breakfast cereal decreased by 20% between 2005 and 2012? Or the number of food retailers per capita in rural communities decreased by 19% between 1990 to 2015? These statistics are two examples from the many publications the USDA Economic Research Service (ERS) releases each year on topics including food and nutrition, food safety, resources and environment and the rural economy. Explore trends and emerging issues in nutrition with these ERS data products and publications.

- Amber Waves: Find articles showcasing ERS research and its impact on the public. For example, learn how working from home affects the amount of time people spend preparing and eating food in this February 2021 article.

- Food Environment Atlas: Use these interactive maps to view environment factors affecting food choices near you and across the country, including restaurants, farmers markets, grocery stores, food assistance and food taxes.

- Food Access Research Atlas: What access to food did local counties have in 2019, and how does it compare to 2015? View food access data



and trends using this interactive map.

- Data Visualizations: Use these easy-to-read interactive maps, graphs and tables to understand ERS statistics. Find information about food prices, food purchases, food security, farm income and other topics.

- Publications: View trends and statistics for crops, food choices and health, farm economy, food markets and prices, food and nutrition assistance and other topics.

Interested in more ERS research? Discover what reports will be released next by viewing ERS' calendar or following its Twitter. Find general nutrition resources on popular topics by visiting Nutrition.gov

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2020 Census: Native Population Increased by 86.5%

By *Indian Country Today*



Montana's Native American population accounted for 6% of Montana residents, slightly less than the rate recorded in 2010 when the Census Bureau estimated American Indians living on reservations were undercounted by nearly 5%.

The National Congress of American Indians issued a statement saying it's "excited to see the 2020 Census results that show a more diverse America."

The data will also shape how \$1.5 trillion in federal spending is distributed each year and show which counties, cities and neighborhoods gained or lost the most people in the 2020 census. That will serve as the building block to redraw 429 U.S. House districts in 44 states and 7,383 state legislative districts across the U.S.

"We also are excited that the official redistricting season can now begin with today's release of the redistricting data," NCAI President Fawn Sharp, Quinault, said. "We are encouraging all Tribal Nations to participate in their local and state redistricting efforts to ensure that Tribal Nations are fairly represented and have access to the resources they need and deserve."

New Mexico has retained its title as the nation's most heavily Hispanic state with 47.7% of respondents to the 2020 census identifying ancestry linked to Latin America and other Spanish-speaking areas. The share of New Mexico residents who identify themselves as indigenous by race or by combined ancestry was 12.4%, making them the third largest racial or ethnic group.

Hispanics are the second largest racial or ethnic group in New Mexico, making American Indian and Alaska Native the third largest ethnic group there, at 8.9%.

People who identify as a race other than white, Black, Asian, American Indian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander — either alone or in combination with one of those races — jumped to 49.9 million people, surpassing the Black population of 46.9 million people as the nation's second-largest racial group, according to the Census Bureau.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Courtesy photo.

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The growth in the American Indian and Alaska Native population in the last decade contributes to the country's portrait of being much more multi-racial and more diverse, according to 2020 Census data. The demographic data will be used to redraw the nation's political maps.

The American Indian and Alaska Native population, alone and in combination, increased from 5.2 million in 2010 to 9.7 million in 2020, an 86.5% increase.

This means the American Indian and Alaska Native people represent 2.9% of the U.S. population.

- 3.7 million people self-identified as American Indian and Alaska Native alone.
- 5.9 million in combination one race or more.
- 9.7 million alone or in combination.

The number of people who identified as White and American Indian and Alaska Native grew from 1.4 million in 2010 to 4 million in 2020. Native Hawaiians, alone and in combination, count for 1.6 million.

Native Americans were not counted in the U.S. Census until 1860 but have been counted every census since. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islanders were not counted until 1960. And Hispanic or Latino people were counted once in 1930 but not again until 1970.

The Census Bureau said the data reflects both demographic changes as well as significant changes from the 2010 Census for race and ethnicity question designs, data processing and coding. The bureau said the 2020 Census is a more accurate portrait of how people self-identify.

The U.S. had 331 million residents last year, a 7.4% increase from 2010.

Native Population in States

As for percentages of population, several states have American Indian and Alaska Native alone as the second -largest racial or ethnic group after Whites.

Alaska was the most predominantly Native American state, followed by New Mexico:

- Alaska — 14.8%
- New Mexico — 8.9%
- South Dakota — 8.4%
- Montana — 6%
- North Dakota — 4.8%

In Arizona, Native Americans or Alaska Natives make up 3.7% of the population, a slight increase.

Complete our 15 minute survey for a chance to win!

The LTBB Niigaandwin Education Department designed this survey to understand the unique needs and interests of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa community to ensure that our program services are relevant and effective in serving our people. Survey takers who provide their information **AND** complete the entire survey will be entered for a chance to win some awesome prizes!

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Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, but not replace obstetrical and pediatric medical care.

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For more information on Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid, please call Carol J. Sodman-Morris, Maternal Nurse Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-242-1614.

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ALASKA'S RANK-CHOICE SYSTEM COULD BOOST INDIGENOUS VOTING

By *Richard Perry*

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Alaska's move to a ranked-choice voting system, starting with the 2022 elections, will give voters a stronger voice in final election decisions and could shift the power base from partisan fringes to moderate voters.

The new balloting system will eliminate partisan primary elections, boosting the chances for middle-of-the-road candidates such as Alaska U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski, a moderate Republican who has faced challenges from the right wing of her party.

"More choice, more voice, and more power to voters," according to a statement by the non-profit Alaskans for Better Elections on its website.

"Our new 'Alaska Style Elections' will change how we



elect our leaders and can encourage politicians – regardless of party – to work together on solutions that represent the will of the people," the organization stated. "After all, elections are for voters, not politicians."

Tribal leaders in Alaska said the new system could increase participation among indigenous voters by making them more aware of the process. Tribes are working with the state to help spread the word about ranked-choice

voting and how it will work.

He shared he is looking forward to using rank-choice voting.

"This is a significant step forward for voting rights in Alaska," said Edward Alexander, co-chair for the Gwich'in Council International, which represents 9,000 Gwich'in in the Northwest Territories, Yukon, Alaska and the Council of Athabaskan Tribal Governments.

"This will impact elec-
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“Voting” continued from page 15. tions,” he said. “We have not had a majority vote for our Alaska senators since 2002. It really is model legislation. It speaks volumes that it was passed by the Alaska voter initiative. This will help eliminate the impact of dark money and the hyper partisanship environment that we’ve seen recently.”

In November 2020, Alaska voters narrowly approved the new system, joining Maine as the only other state at the time to expand voters’ choices.

Although the system has been used for decades in Australia and Ireland, it is relatively new to the United States.

Maine approved the measure in 2018 and used ranked-choice for the first time in its November 2020 election. It does not use ranked-choice for the gubernatorial or state legislative races, which the Maine Supreme Judicial Court concluded must be determined by a plurality vote.

San Francisco began using the ranked-choice system for its 2018 mayoral race, and New York City approved its use for municipal elections in time for this year’s mayoral race.

Alaska will be using ranked-choice voting starting with the 2022 elections, a move which could shift the balance of power from partisan primaries to undeclared and nonpartisan voters. Under the new system, partisan primaries will be replaced with an open primary for all voters, and voters can rank their preference for candidates in the general election.

In Alaska, the system will be used for legislative races and all statewide races, including governor, U.S. Senate and congressional races. It will not apply to city elections. The next round of elections will be in November 2022.

“We now have an electoral system that lives up to Alaska’s independent streak by saying ‘to hell with politics, let’s do what’s right for Alaska,’” said Shea Siegert, the campaign manager for the Yes on 2 for Better Elections group which supported the measure, in a statement released after the election.

“This is a victory for all Alaskans regardless of their political leaning,” said Siegert, who is now director of external affairs for Alaskans for Better Elections.

How It Works

Instead of holding separate primary elections for Republicans and Democrats, Alaska will hold an open primary for all candidates, regardless of political affiliation.

Alaska approved a “top four” system, meaning the top four candidates in the primary will advance to the general election. Maine, in contrast, has a “top two” system with the top two candidates advancing.

Then, ranked-choice voting kicks in. In both states, voters in the general election will rank the candidates in order of preference, starting with their first choice and following with as many other candidates

as they choose to rank. When the votes are tallied, a winner is declared outright only if a candidate wins more than 50% of the vote – meaning 50% plus one vote.

If no candidate wins the majority, the culling process begins. The candidate with the fewest first-place rankings is thrown out, and those votes shift to the voters’ second-choice candidates. The process continues until a candidate garners more than 50% of the vote.

Ranked-choice voting has drawn support across the political spectrum. In an article, Fixing U.S. Politics in the July–August 2020 edition of the *Harvard Business Review*, authors Katherine M. Gehl and Michael E. Porter outline a number of proposals to strengthen the American election systems, including a provision for ranked-choice voting in general elections.

“Amid the unprecedented partisanship and gridlock in Washington, D.C., Congress appears locked in a permanent battle, incapable of delivering results,” the article begins. “It seems to many Americans – and to the rest of the world – that our political system is so irrational and dysfunctional that it’s beyond repair.”

Gehl and Porter co-authored a book, “The Politics Industry: How Political Innovation Can Break Partisan Gridlock and Save Our Democracy,” published by the *Harvard Business Review Press* in 2020. Gehl is the former chief executive of Gehl Foods and the founder of the Institute for Political Innovation. Porter is a professor at the Harvard Business School in Boston.

In the article, they propose a “top five” system for primaries which would allow the top five candidates to advance to a general election. The ranked-choice system would then be used in the general election to ensure the winner received more than 50% of the vote. Now, only a plurality is typically needed, meaning the winner may have drawn support of only a third or so of voters.

“There is no greater threat to American economic competitiveness and social progress – no greater threat to the combination of free-market economics and liberal democracies that has delivered more human advancements than any other system – than our passive acceptance of a failed political system,” they conclude.

Getting the Word Out

Gail Fenumiai, director of the Alaska Division of Elections, said the state is launching an educational campaign to make the public aware of the new system and how it works.

“The division is working really hard to provide a statewide educational program to get materials out to all voters in Alaska,” Fenumiai said. “We want everyone to be well-versed in the new process before going to cast their ballot. We want people to understand all of the tools available to edu-

cate them concerning how the tabulation round works.

“It is going to be very different,” she said.

Materials will be made in several Alaska Native languages and other non-English languages spoken throughout Alaska. The Alaska Division of Elections has partnered with local and regional tribes to help accomplish the objective.

A video is already available to help voters understand ranked-choice voting, and a sample ballot with additional information is available on the Division of Elections website.

“We are expecting to connect to voters, especially those who don’t have access to the Internet, using radio, posters, and such,” Fenumiai said.

Another significant challenge will be managing expectations. A candidate who leads in early election results, for example, may not be the final winner, if he or she garners enough second-choice votes to push them over the top.

“This alone is different and very important for the division to explain to people,” Fenumiai said, “so they remain confident in the electoral process.”

Looking Ahead

The end result may be diminished importance on party affiliation. In Alaska, for example, the largest group of voters includes nonpartisan and undeclared voters.

The Alaska Division of Elections voter registration statistics show 149,173 voters are registered Republicans, 81,355 Democrats and 19,109 Independence Party. Those without party affiliation include 186,207 undeclared and 85,472 non-partisan.

The election to approve the ranked-choice voting drew opposition, but the measure passed with about 50.5% of the vote. Another provision of the bill aimed at reducing the use of so-called “dark money” will require greater financial disclosure by groups donating to campaigns.

Brett Huber, who led a group opposing the measure, told the *Anchorage Daily News* the opposition had “a short amount of time and a lot less money, and we tried our best.”

Supporters say the new system will help politicians work together.

“These reforms were designed to take back the power of our elections,” the Alaskans for Better Elections states on its website. “We need an election system that encourages politicians to work for voters – not parties.”

Alexander, the co-chair of the Gwich’in Council International, said he is looking forward to using ranked-choice voting.

“Rank-choice voting will help make Alaska elections serve us again,” Alexander said. “Our people’s voices will be heard, and all of our villages are going have more of a voice in the election process.”

Richard Perry is Yup’ik/Gwich’in Athabaskan and lives in Anchorage, Alaska.

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StrongHearts Native Helpline is launching a project in Michigan to expand its existing domestic and sexual violence advocacy services to support tribal programs and their contacts in that state. The project — a partnership with the Division of Victim Services at Michigan’s Department of Health and Human Services, which is also providing the funding — has already begun.

A well-recognized issue throughout tribal domestic violence advocacy and shelter work is many tribal programs are small with limited staff. Their advocates may need to carry pagers or cell phones at all times in order to respond to victims, resulting in overtime and additional stress. Sometimes, advocates are not able to respond and victims calling after hours are simply advised to call back during office hours, which can create a safety issue for them. This project will give Native American victim-survivors in Michigan access to culturally appropriate advocacy 24/7 even if they call their local tribal program after regular operating hours.

“In general, urban Natives are underserved; and this is a cost-effective way for us to expand services to Native American victim-survivors wherever they may live in Michigan and especially in urban areas where we have determined there is a great need,” said Leslie O’Reilly, VOCA program specialist, Division of Victim Services, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. “With this new initiative, we will be able to have an efficient infrastructure in place to maintain capacity while we are seeking to expand and provide even more services.”

The project will have three phases. During phase one, StrongHearts will announce the project to tribal programs and establish a Michigan administrative office. Phase two will focus on establishing connections with tribes that have agreed to participate in the project. Phase three will concentrate on sustaining the project into the future. By opting in, tribal programs will be able to set their after-hours answering service to prompt callers to press one to transfer directly to StrongHearts Native Helpline advocates.

StrongHearts advocates will be aware the call is coming from a tribal program in Michigan, but the call will be completely confidential and anonymous.

“It is important to StrongHearts that our advocates continue to learn best practices for supporting victim-survivors and all Native Americans impacted by sexual and domestic violence,”

said Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians), director, StrongHearts Native Helpline. “In this spirit and to ensure victim-survivors receive the best advocacy, StrongHearts asks participating tribal programs to meet with our Michigan-based project coordinator to share their best practices, particular needs of their communities and ensure StrongHearts advocates know the services and support available through their tribal programs.”

“Since 1989, there has been a longstanding commitment by the state of Michigan to reach tribal victims of crime, and there are now 8 out of 12 federally-recognized tribes receiving VOCA grant funding through the Division of Victim Services and additional funding that we can access to meet the needs of tribes,” said O’Reilly. “A very important goal for us is to help meet the needs of underserved Native American communities and, especially, in urban areas. We will now be able to meet this need and reach these communities.”

“Michigan has been a leader in working with tribal nations in that state and is to be commended for its commitment to serving all victim-survivors, no matter where they live,” said Jump.

“Ensuring all survivors have equal and equitable access to victim services is critical in their healing journey,” said Debi Cain, executive director, Division of Victim Services, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. “We are proud to partner with StrongHearts Native Helpline on this project that will enhance access to services for Native Americans impacted by sexual and domestic violence throughout Michigan.”

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a 24/7 culturally appropriate domestic, dating and sexual violence helpline for Native Americans, available by calling 1-844-762-8483.

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For the first time in history, CMTED has a platform to share indigenous-developed and indigenous-vetted educational resources with Michigan’s education system.

The initial resource on the website – Maawndoongan: Anishinaabe Resource Manual – contains CMTED endorsed instructional materials such as books, podcasts, videos and websites. The guide is intentionally focused on Social Studies Standards adopted by the Michigan State Board of Education in June 2019 which



are inclusive of indigenous content.

It is the commitment of CMTED to support the role K-12 education plays in educating Michigan’s students and educators about the original people of this land. In turn, it is the ethical responsibility of Michigan’s K-12 educators to make the personal and professional commitment to learn about the land on which they live, work and play.

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tive relationships between CMTED and the K-12 teaching force will help ensure a more informed Michigan citizenry. CMTED hopes educators across Michigan embrace these resources as part of lifelong learning and to assist in the implementation of the social studies standards in classrooms across the state.

The Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Departments (CMTED) includes representatives from each of the Education Departments of the 12 federally recognized sovereign nations which share geography with what we now call Michigan. CMTED assists in establishing a network of support, guidance and collaboration to advocate for educational and cultural needs of tribal citizens.

For more information, visit cmted.org.

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Another benefit of isochoric freezing is it also kills microbial contaminants during processing.

“The entire food production chain could use isochoric freezing — everyone from growers to food processors, product producers to wholesalers, to retailers. The process will even work in a person’s freezer at home after they purchase a product — all without requiring any major investments in new equipment,” said WRRC

center director Tara McHugh, co-leader of this study. “With all of the many potential benefits, if this innovative concept catches on, it could be the next revolution in freezing foods.”

UC-Berkeley biomedical engineer Boris Rubinsky, co-leader of this project, first developed the isochoric freezing method to cryopreserve tissues and organs for transplants.

Since then, ARS and UC-Berkeley have applied for a joint patent for applying isochoric freezing to preserving food. The research team is now developing the best applications for this technology in the frozen foods industry, especially scaling up the technology to an industrial level. They also are seeking commercial partners to help transfer the technology to the commercial sector.

UC-Berkeley mechanical engineer Matthew Powell-Palm, one of the lead authors of the study paper, noted “isochoric freezing is a cross-cutting technology with promising applications in not only the food industry, but in medicine, biology, even space travel.”

WRRC has also been designated a National Historic Chemical Landmark in 2002 by the American Chemical Society for developing the Time-Temperature Tolerance studies, which made possible the production of stable, safe and high-quality frozen food, revolutionizing the industry in the 1950s.

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WOCTEP offers Financial Assistance!

- ◆ Tuition Assistance
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In addition to WOCTEP Financial assistance, Native WOCTEP students may be eligible for Board of Regents Tuition Award at BMCC.

WOCTEP is funded by the US Department of Education through the NACTEP program. Federal funds contribute to 90% of funding (\$448,744) and tribal support of 10% (\$50,108) for project year 1 (2019) budget.

Court Denied Line 3 Appeal, Still a Go

By *Indian Country Today*



pension of the Army Corps of Engineer’s 401 water quality permit for the pipeline and a call for the Corps to conduct a full environmental impact statement. The Biden administration signaled in a court filing in June it has no plans to cancel federal permits for the pipeline. It’s unclear when the case will be heard.

Opponents also filed an appeal challenge to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 401 water quality permit to Enbridge.

Meanwhile, plaintiffs, wild rice or *manoomin*, in the rights of nature case have requested White Earth Nation tribal court issue a temporary restraining order against the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

The request for the temporary restraining order reads, “immediate and irreparable injury, loss or damage will result before notice can be served and a hearing thereon.”

The Department of Natural Resources filed an injunction on August 19 in U.S. District Court claiming the tribal court doesn’t have jurisdiction to hear the case and lacks jurisdiction over non-tribal members. The department also filed a motion to stay action in tribal court which the court denied.

More than 700 Line 3 opponents have been arrested or ticketed along the route since construction in Minnesota began in December 2020.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Mary Annette Pember, a citizen of the Red Cliff Ojibwe tribe, is a national correspondent for *Indian Country Today*.

Courtesy photo.

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The Minnesota Court of Appeals denied a request by tribes and others on August 24 to hear an appeal opposing the construction of Enbridge Line 3.

The appeal, filed by the Red Lake, White Earth Band and Milles Lac Bands of Ojibwe and others, opposed the state’s Public Utilities Commission granting a certificate of need for the pipeline as well as a routing permit.

Winona LaDuke, White Earth Ojibwe and executive director of Honor the Earth, wrote in an e-mail statement to *Indian Country Today*, “The rights of a Canadian corporation to continue to prevail over the laws of nature and the human rights of Anishinaabe people. That a court would rule there is no environmental impact when the rivers have been sucked dry and scientists are declaring a code red for the planet is deeply disturbing. A crime is being committed in front of us all. And now Enbridge is set to make a profit off the destruction of our north.”

According to a report in *Energy Wire*, Enbridge, Inc. stated in a filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission this month that oil could begin to flow through Line 3 by mid-September.

Enbridge communications specialist Juli Kellner responded to the court’s decision via e-mail to *Indian Country Today*. She wrote, “We’re pleased with the decision from the Minnesota Supreme Court regarding Line 3’s certificate of need, route permit and environmental impact statement which has been reaffirmed multiple times by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission. The replacement of Line 3 is nearly complete and is expected to be in service this year.”

There are two remaining lawsuits opposing Line 3, one in federal district court seeking sus-

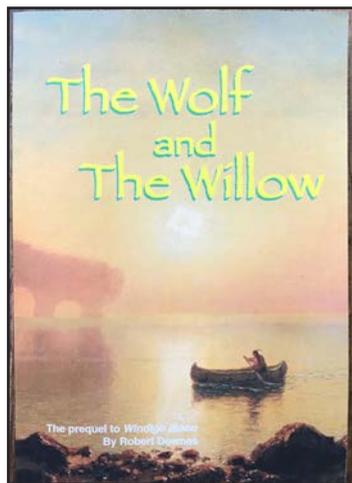
LOCAL AUTHOR PUBLISHES PREQUEL TO "WINDIGO MOON"

Northern Michigan author Bob Downes has published "The Wolf and The Willow," a historical novel of first contact between indigenous peoples and Spanish conquistadors. The book is the prequel to "Windigo Moon," his 2017 novel of the Anishinaabek.

"The story starts in Morocco in 1527 and ends among the Anishinaabek at their ancient seasonal community of Boweting in Michigan's Upper Peninsula," Downes says. "It's a big, sprawling novel, packed with adventure, romance and the peaks and valleys of the human spirit."

"The Wolf and The Willow" offers a glimpse into the culture of many tribes, including the Anishinaabek, Tionontati, Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Dakota Sioux, Mandans, Caddo and the Mound Builder civilization of the Mississippi River Valley. Life in Boweting (also known as Bahwating) is a key element in the story as are the challenges the Anishinaabek faced in dealing with the Haudenosaunee. Readers will also explore the pre-Columbian Indian city of Cahokia, home of the largest earthen pyramid in North America.

The book delves into the clash of cultures and the problems Indians and Europeans had in understanding one another and their radically different values. "For instance, the Indians tended to share everything they hunted, fished or grew, so that all could survive and thrive, while the Europeans came from a dog-eat-dog world where the ownership of land, gold and silver at the expense of others meant everything."



Downes notes when they first sighted the billowing sails of European ships, many Indians thought they might be giant swans, floating mountains or huge fish, disgorging hairy-faced men encased in metal, who stank horribly from lack of bathing and had monstrous horses, dogs bred for war and thundering cannons. "Initially, many didn't know if the Europeans were human. They thought they might be spirits or ghosts. They were as strange to the Indians as space aliens would be to us."

His new book tells the story of Willow, a house slave of Black/Arab descent who is swept into the 1528 expedition of conquistador Panfilo de Narvaez, who hoped to colonize Florida and find native cities brimming with gold.

"The expedition was a disaster from start to finish. Of the five hundred men and women who left Spain, only four survived after wandering naked and enslaved by Indians for eight years across northern Mexico and the Southwest."

Downes uses the expedition as the starting point for his novel. "Being fiction, however, my heroine Willow

eventually carries on through the heart of North America's lost indigenous civilizations, where she meets Wolf, a trader, storyteller and spy for the shamans of the Ojibwe nation. Wolf, whose formal name is He Who Outruns the Wolves, is on a mission down the Mississippi to find a mythical animal for the shamans of Boweting at present-day Sault Ste. Marie."

"Readers will experience in a very vivid way the spectacular Indian civilizations which existed for thousands of years before European armies and diseases swept them all away."

Backed by extensive historical research and published by The Wandering Press, "The Wolf and The Willow" segues into the events of "Windigo Moon," set 60 years later in 1588.

Downes will be speaking on the topic of "First Contact: Stories of When the Indians and Europeans First Met" at locations throughout Northern Michigan in support of his book, including:

October 12 - Traverse City Area District Library (tentative, pending COVID restrictions)

October 19 - Charlevoix Public Library

TBA - Glen Lake Community Library, Empire

TBA - Grand Rapids Public Library System

November 11 - Saturn Booksellers, Gaylord

"The Wolf and The Willow" is available at local bookstores.

Additional dates for speaking engagements will be available on Downes's website www.robertdownes.com

Courtesy graphic.

"COMING FULL CIRCLE:" NATIVE TAPPED TO LEAD NATIONAL PARKS

By Kalle Benallie

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

For the first time, a Native American may become the director of the National Park Service.

President Joe Biden nominated Charles F. "Chuck" Sams III and will be considered by the U.S. Senate. If confirmed, he will be the 19th permanent director of the National Park Service.

A National Park Service director was last confirmed by the Senate during the Obama Administration.

The park service is a bureau of the U.S. Department of the Interior where Secretary Deb Haaland, Laguna Pueblo, made history by becoming the first Native American cabinet secretary.

"The diverse experience that Chuck brings to the National Park Service will be an incredible asset as we work to conserve and protect our national parks to make them more accessible for everyone ... the outdoors are for everyone, and we have an obligation to protect them for generations to come," she said in a statement.

The National Park Service oversees more than 131,000 square miles of parks, monuments, battlefields and other landmarks. It employs approximately 20,000 people in permanent, temporary and seasonal jobs, according to its website.

Sams is Cayuse and Walla Walla of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. He previously served as the tribe's interim executive director earlier this year.



Kat Brigham, the tribal nation's board of trustees chairman, congratulated Sams on the nomination.

"This is a historical moment for America and is a monumental milestone for tribal people throughout Indian Country. We applaud Mr. Sams on his nomination and are optimistic to see his leadership continuing to conserve and protect the precious resources within the National Park Service," Brigham said. "Mr. Sams is aware of how important it is to take care of the land for today and future generations."

The U.S. Navy veteran currently serves as a council member to the Northwest Power and Conservation Council, which he was appointed by Oregon Governor Kate Brown.

He has "worked in state and Tribal governments and the non-profit natural resource and conservation management fields for more than 25 years," said the Interior in a statement.

His long list of roles, in addition to interim director, include:

- President and chief executive officer of the Indian Country Conservancy

"Full Circle" continued on page 21.

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff



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4. If you are employed on Tribally owned lands.

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For more information regarding Sex Offender Registry, you can visit the LTBB Website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and choose the Law Enforcement link on the right side of the page.

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- Executive director for the Umatilla Tribal Community Foundation
- National director of the Tribal & Native Lands Program for the Trust for Public Land
- Executive director for the Columbia Slough Watershed Council
- Executive director for the Community Energy Project
- President and chief executive officer for the Earth Conservation Corps

Holly Cook Macarro, partner at Spirit Rock Consulting LLC and political commentator, said the nomination is another addition to defining President Biden's legacy in Indian country.

Macarro, Red Lake Ojibwe, called the nomination ironic like Secretary Haaland's nomination because national parks are lost Native lands that have been affected by "treaty violations, theft and other forms."

But Sams' possible leadership of the National Parks Service "once again feels like things are coming full circle."

She said the youth could be significantly impacted by having visual representation of a position they might want to obtain someday. Tribal governments and spiritual leaders may also benefit from his appointment.

"There's someone on the very top who understands the tribal perspective and is going to bring it to the table in a way that we haven't seen before," Macarro said.

She added Sams' appointment is a result of Biden's push to have greater representation in his administration and Haaland's commitment to have a more diverse workforce in the Interior.

Macarro mentioned this position is not traditionally occupied by Native Americans unlike the Indian Health Service, which currently has an acting director.

She cites two other non-traditional appointments: Robert Anderson, Bois Forte Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, who was tapped as the solicitor of the Interior and Janie Hipp, Chickasaw, who was appointed as USDA General Counsel.

"I am hopeful that we will continue to see more as these positions get filled and I certainly think we will," she said.

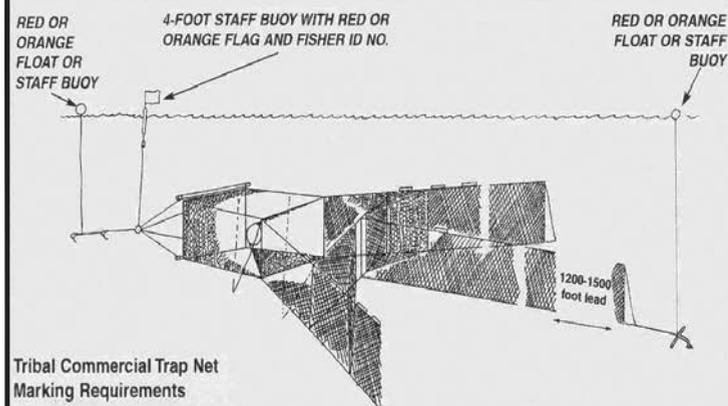
The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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CHEROKEE MURAL WINS GIRL SCOUTS AWARD

By Lindsey Bark

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

To achieve the Gold Award status, one of the highest honors in Girl Scouts, Cherokee Nation citizen Laurel Martich painted a mural that is representative of her heritage.

On the west wall on the inside of the Rogers County Cherokee Association community building is a painting of the Cherokee seven clans system.

"The Gold Award is supposed to be like a sustained project that benefits the community in some way, and it's supposed to play to your strengths. I've always really liked art and so, I was trying to play to my strengths with my art," she said.

Martich, 18, who is entering the University of Tulsa this year, has been a Girl Scout since kindergarten.

"I've been in Girl Scouts since kindergarten and done all the programs and just worked through it," she said. "Before the Gold Award, you're actually supposed to do the Bronze and the Silver Award. So, it's kind of a gradual, work your way up. Then, the Gold Award is the major one."

Martich's mother, an RCCA board member, created the mural idea for the building.

"My mom is on the (RCCA) board, and they were looking at things to beautify the Rogers County Cherokee Association and that had to do with culture," Martich said. "She was like 'hey my daughter does art' and they were like, she could come out here and paint something. I felt like it was a good opportunity to do my Gold Award and have it be something about my culture. I think it's really interesting."

Martich chose to paint the seven clans, and it was an opportunity for her to learn more about her Cherokee heritage that she did not really know before.

"I hadn't ever heard about the Cherokee clans before, and when I heard about it, I felt it



really wasn't something that is talked about as much," she said. "I thought the mural could just bring awareness and maybe teach people or help people get interested."

She said in painting the mural, she talked to several people about the clans, their meanings and what animals would have the best representation.

"There was a lot in the mural that was up to antiquity, and I had to talk to a lot of people what the best symbols would be to paint on the wall. The dove started out as an eagle. And as I started talking to people, I found that the dove would be more appropriate," she said.

She said challenges in painting the mural were she never painted such a large project and she never really painted animals.

"I very much work with people and painting people, so animals were very different for me," she said. "When I originally painted the bear, it's one of those things where you have to paint it and then, you have to look at what you've done that wasn't working, look at some pictures, watch people paint and then, come back and paint it again. It was one of those things that was like very much a learning curve and I'd have to paint the animals sometimes several times before it would look like what I wanted it to look like."

Martich said being in the Girl Scouts pushed her in ways she never thought possible.

"Girl Scouts has very much taught me that you can do things ... if you told me that in 10 years, I'd paint a mural, I'd be like, 'no, no, no.' Girl Scouts has taught me that if you go out there and you have a vision, you can do it," she said.

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“Victories Square” continued from page 1.

that results from impervious surfaces; green infrastructure! Green infrastructure is a way of using plants, soil and other permeable surfaces to slow, store and filter stormwater from precipitation events. It can take many forms, ranging from tree pits along city sidewalks to rain gardens in residential neighborhoods. Vegetation in green infrastructure can help filter pollutants from stormwater before it reaches nearby sur-



face water, thus preventing pollution of lakes and rivers. The vegetation and permeable surfaces also help water infiltrate the soil, reducing the volume of stormwater that runs off into nearby lakes and rivers, reducing the risk of flooding. By constructing green infrastructure on LTBB trust land, we can help reduce the strain on our aquatic resources and protect our communities from potential natural disasters.

To help protect our aquatic resources, the Environmental Services Program has been working to incorporate green infrastructure into the Victories Square project. Some features incorporated at the project so far include: Bioswales, which capture water that moves along the parking lot, and permeable pavers, which have larger



gaps and allows water to infiltrate the soil unlike traditional pavers. On a recent site visit in August 2021, a week after heavy rain events, staff were able to observe sediment that was captured by the rain gardens. While these small green islands in a sea of asphalt might not seem like much, each one adds up and prevents contaminants from being flushed directly into the Bear River, keeping our waters clean and healthy. Future green infrastructure work at the site consists of renovating the existing retention pond behind the Marriot Hotel with various native plant species, installing trash catchers in stormwater sewer grates and even a green roof on the next hotel building. Finally, a large portion of the development will be aimed at creating a gateway to the natural environment with trails and native plantings such as sweetgrass (wiingash) and birch (wiigwaas). By working to incorporate green infrastructure at the Victories Square project, the Environmental Services Program is helping to protect the Bear River and Little Traverse Bay watersheds and keep our lands green.

In the next issue of *Odawa Trails*, we will talk about ways that you can include green infrastructure at home.

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MICHIGAN DNR, DTE ENERGY FINALIZE AGREEMENT ON NATION'S FIRST CARBON-CREDITS PROJECT ON STATE FOREST LAND

By Michigan DNR

Michigan's 3.9 million acres of state forest land provide space for outdoor recreation, cleaner water, habitat for wildlife and many other benefits. Thanks to a recent agreement between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and



as they do for their residential and small business customers through DTE's voluntary Natural Gas Balance program.

DTE Energy has agreed to buy all of the carbon credits generated off the Pigeon River Country State Forest during the first 10 years of the program at an estimated cost of more than \$10 million. Payments (to the state) will start with the first delivery of carbon credits to DTE in 2022. Bluesource, the company managing the DNR's pilot carbon credit marketing project, will provide updates on the revenue stream's timeline and size.

The purchase of carbon credits allows DTE to offer carbon offsets to customers with significantly higher energy usage, a move which also aligns with DTE's goal of achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2050.

Support for Forests, Wildlife

Beyond the air-quality benefits – Michigan's forests can substantially reduce the amount of carbon dioxide which has been released to the environment, which cuts air pollution and helps mitigate the effects of climate change - the carbon-credits project will allow the DNR to credit crucial dollars to funding sources which support the Pigeon River Country State Forest.

Revenue generated from these carbon credit purchases will be directed to the state's Forest Development Fund and the Fish and Game Fund for efforts which could include tree planting, forest infrastructure (such as roads, bridges and culverts), wildlife habitat improvements, recreation projects and more.

The environmental benefit of the project stems from the state's ongoing commitment to sustainable forest management while ensuring more trees will stay in place long term to enhance the carbon sequestration of the Pigeon River forest.

Getting Started

Bluesource, the company selected last fall to manage the DNR's carbon credits development and marketing program, is a Salt Lake City firm which has pioneered creative solutions to climate risk since 2001.

Learn more about how and why the DNR takes care of state forests at Michigan.gov/Forestry.

Courtesy photos.



DTE Energy, Michigan's largest energy company, part of that forest land now will yield carbon credits which will help DTE reduce its carbon footprint and add an estimated \$10 million in revenue to natural resource management.

The Bluesource/Michigan DNR Big Wild Forest Carbon Project is the first of its kind in the nation to leverage the carbon storage capacity of trees in state forests. The pilot project offers a portfolio of carbon offset credits generated from sustainable forest management activities on more than 100,000 acres of the celebrated Pigeon River Country State Forest - known as "The Big Wild" - in the northern Lower Peninsula.



The Pilot Project

A single tree can absorb as much as 48 pounds of carbon dioxide in a year. By the time a tree is 40 years old, it can store one ton of carbon. If these trees are then used to make long-lasting wood products, the carbon they absorbed from the atmosphere is captured or "stored" within the manufactured furniture, houses or countless other items.

One carbon credit equals one ton of carbon dioxide emission. Studies show carbon capture (sequestration) could contribute up to 30% of the global effort to reduce carbon in the atmosphere. DTE Energy will offer these offsets to their larger industrial natural gas clients seeking to reduce the impact of carbon emissions, much



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Dgwaagik - In the Fall Puzzle Key

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Puzzle on page 12.

5. It is cold.
6. It is raining.
8. dried corn
10. corn soup
12. Halloween
13. pumpkin
14. in the fall or Autumn
15. to burn or scorch
16. potatoes

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1. It is cool.
2. apple
3. vegetables
4. corn
7. fire
9. Falling Leaves
Moon or October
11. acorn

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TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



In accordance with law and policy, Elders Comment/Public Comment as recorded in the minutes will contain the name of the Citizen or "Immediate Family" or "Family member" and only the subject matter brought forth by the individual. No attempt will be made by the Legislative Branch to summarize the comments. Written public comments will be accepted by the Legislative Office. Written comments shall be attached to the official approved minutes housed in the Legislative Branch. Written comments are not published, however, shall be open to review within the Legislative Office in accordance with any laws regarding such documents.

**Little Traverse Bay Bands
of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle,
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Tribal Council Regular Meeting
August 5, 2021
via ZOOM**

Call to Order: **9:05 a.m.**

Opening ceremony: Councilor Marty Van De Car

Closed Session: Yes

Council Present: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: Secretary Julie Shananaquet

Legislative Office Staff Present: Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee

Corporate Charters Present: Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Executive Director Shanna Kishigo and Administrative Assistant Nichlos Peltier; Gaming Authority Chairperson Mary Kilmer

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Gijigowi Language Director Carla Osawamick, Planning Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Education's Employment and Training Specialist Rachael Koopp, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Human Resources Generalist Rose Pyant

Judicial Officials and Staff: None

Public: Doug Emery, Patrick Anthony, Nicole Bieber, Samantha Cole, Sunnese Granados, Marvin Mulholland

Invited Guest: Ian Gershengorn, Zachary Schauf, and Riyaz Kanji

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to Adopt the Agenda of August 5, 2021 as amended.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Julie Shananaquet) Motion carries.

Review and Approve Minutes of July 22, 2021 and July 29, 2021.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve the minutes of July 22, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Julie Shananaquet) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve the Tribal Council Special Meeting minutes of July 29, 2021 as presented.

9:10 a.m. Secretary Julie Shananaquet arrives

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Executive Oversight Report:

Discussion: Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay

Air conditioning is back on in the Executive west wing as of Wednesday, August 4, 2021.

Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley is attending a Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) meeting today.

Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay traveled to the National Association of Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations (NAFDPIR) - Tribal Leaders Consultation Workgroup. NAFDPIR created this workgroup to consult with the United States Department of Agriculture. Vice Chairperson-Stella Kay is the Co-Chair.

Discussion: Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon

Keeping an eye on the Delta variant in our area.

The Emergency Management Team (EMT) call has been moved from Monday, August 9, 2021 to Wednesday, August 11, 2021 in the morning.

Discussion: Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson

Progress continues at the Waas Noos De Ke Site with prepping and laying of foundations.

Broadband application sent to the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge the verbal Executive Oversight Report as presented by Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, and Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Reports:

Legislative Leader Report:

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Leader Emily Proctor's verbal report for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima) Motion carries.

Secretary Report:

Documents Delivered to the Executive for signature:

-Waganakising Odawak Statute Child Protection Statute due back to Tribal Council on or before 08/09/2021.

-Waganakising Odawak Statute Energy Improvement Program Statute due back to Tribal Council on or before 08/25/2021.

Documents Signed by the Executive:

-Tribal Resolution #062421-01 Ad-Hoc Economic Development Administration Grant Committee.

Documents enacted without Executive Signature. The Executive did not sign and failed to expressly veto within 30-days from submission to the Executive Branch.

-Waganakising Odawak Statute # 2021-013 Authorization of the Marijuana Program Statute enacted on 07/27/2021.

Vetoes signed by the Executive on July 23, 2021 and received on July 26, 2021.

-Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute # 2013-010 Fair Employment (Living Wage).

-Tribal Resolution Promotion of a Decent Standard of Living Wage.

Per Waganakising Odawak Statute 2013-011 Amendment to 2005-010 Legislative Procedures:

Such vetoed statute shall not become enacted law unless the Tribal Council, by an affirmative vote of seven (7) members of the Tribal Council, votes to override a veto by the Executive.

The vote of Tribal Council to override a veto shall occur within ninety (90) days of the veto.

The vote by Tribal Council to override the veto shall only occur if there are seven (7) Tribal Councilors present at the time of the vote.

Tribal Council shall only vote one time to override the veto. If the vote for the veto override fails, then the veto stands.

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: None

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to override the Executive Veto of Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute # 2013-010 Fair Employment (Living Wage).

Vote: 4 - Yes, 5 - No (Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion fails.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by

Councilor Tamara Kiogima to override the Executive Veto of Tribal Resolution Promotion of a Decent Standard of Living Wage.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 5 - No (Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion fails.

Treasurer Report:

Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: July 13, 2021

(Motions made at the Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting were submitted to the August 22, 2021 Tribal Council Meeting).

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee: None

-Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chair for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Meeting Dates

October 5 Work Session

October 7 Council Meeting

October 19 Work Session

October 21 Council Meeting

November 2 Work Session

November 4 Council Meeting

November 16 Work Session

November 18 Council Meeting

All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at
7500 Odawa Circle,
Harbor Springs, MI.

Legislative

Tribal Council Members

Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader
Marcella Reyes, Secretary
Leroy Shomin, Treasurer
Tamara Kiogima, Councilor
Aaron Otto, Councilor
Melissa Pamp, Councilor
Marty Van De Car, Councilor
Fred Kiogima, Councilor
William Ortiz, Councilor

Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: July 2, 2021

(Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting were presented to Tribal Council on July 8, 2021).

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: None

-Next Meeting: Friday, August 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Land and Reservation Committee verbal report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chairperson for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Member Reports:

Councilor Melissa Pamp - Corporate Charters

10:13 a.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. steps away

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Melissa Pamp's verbal report for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to request Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope and Legislative Attorney Donna Budnick to attend all Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. (OEDMI) meetings.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 4 - No (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.)

Motion fails.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to **TABLE** request monthly Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. (OEDMI) QuickBooks reports from Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope and to place on the 08/31/2021 Tribal Council Work Session agenda.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.)

Motion carries.

10:58 a.m. Break

11:02 a.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. returns

11:12 a.m. Resume

Other Items of Business:

a. **11:15 a.m.** Closed Session for Confidential-Legal

11:17 a.m. Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to enter into Closed Session for Confidential-Legal.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

12:21 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to return to Open Session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Public Comment:

12:22 p.m. Open

Nicole Bieber thanked Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick for moving forward with the Wolf Declaration.

12:25 p.m. Closed

12:26 p.m. Lunch

12:26 p.m. Councilor Melissa Pamp exits meeting

1:00 p.m. Resume meeting

Tribal Council Member Reports continued...

Councilor Tamara Kiogima - Allow Legislative Staff to attend the Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women (MMIW).

It's important we support our Tribal Citizens.

As elected officials, we should be supporting this cause.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Tamara Kiogima's verbal report for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve Legislative Office Closure for the Legislative Staff to attend the Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women (MMIW) Rally in Detroit, MI on August 6, 2021.

Vote: 3 - Yes, 4 - No (Councilor Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion fails.

Legislative Office Reports:

Office of Finance and Revenue

Senior Financial Analyst

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Tribal Burial Board, Inc.

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.

Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation, Inc.

Gaming Authority

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to acknowledge re-

ceipt of Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer - No report

1:23 p.m. Councilor Fred Kiogima arrives

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

General Counsel - No report

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report for August 5, 2021.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to disapprove the Michelle Chingwa Education Honorarium Regulations REG-WOS 2020-003-072121-001.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve Aanjigin Honorarium Act Regulations REG-WOS 2021-010-072121-001.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to appoint Debra Smithey-Browne to the Elders Commission for a 4-year term beginning on September 21, 2021 and ending September 21, 2025.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Belinda Bardwell for Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. and set up an interview.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Jeremy Steele for Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation and set up an interview.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Heidi Bosma for the Liquor Tobacco Licensing Board and set up an interview.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Laura Foerster for Tribal Prosecutor and set up an interview.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to pass the Declaration # 080521-001 Demand for government-to-government consultation with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the

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“Minutes” continued from page 23.

Wolf Management Advisory Council regarding the Sacred Wolf.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to take action as described in Confidential Memo 080521-01.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to adopt Tribal Resolution to Authorize Funding in the Amount up to \$45,000 for Purchase of Parcel #139 to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance.

Roll Call: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-absent, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Public Comment:

1:54 p.m. Open

Sunnese Granados read her letter she sent to the Executive regarding a request supporting staff be allowed to take Friday, August 6, 2021 to attend the peaceful rally on Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women to be held at the Detroit Federal building.

Patrick Anthony asked why is Tribal Council waiting three (3) weeks to discuss and resolve the Tribe’s charters financial matters?

2:00 p.m. Closed

2:01 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carries.

Next Scheduled Meeting

Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected

Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary Date

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Minutes August 19, 2021 Morning Session

Call to Order: 9:04 a.m.

Closed Session: none

Opening Ceremony: Councilor Marty Van De Car

Council Present: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: none

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Planning Administrative Assistant Shari Temple

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Corporate Charters: Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Administrative Assistant Nichlos Pel-tier

Public: Doug Emery, Hunter Johnson, Dan Pierzynowski, William Ortiz, Marvin Mulholland, Jannan Cornstalk, Patrick Anthony

Invited Guests: Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Ron Olson, Finance Director Roger Borton, Human Resources Director Andrea Shananaquet; Gaming Authority Chairperson Mary Kilmer and Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer Donald Lasley

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to adopt the agenda of August 19, 2021 as amend-

ed.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Tribal Citizens who have walked on: Marie Deckrow, Jeffrey Evans, Margaret Kaestner, John Parks, and Ardene Romer.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve the minutes of August 5, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Introduction of new Tribal Government Employees:

Hunter Johnson – Housing Department Occupancy Specialist (transfer).

Legislative Leader Report

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Legislative Leader Emily Proctor’s verbal and written report for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to the Executive:

-Waganakising Odawak Statute Energy Improvement Program Statute is due back from the Executive on or before 08/25/2021.

Veto signed by the Executive on August 6, 2021 and received on August 9, 2021:

-Waganakising Odawak Statute Child Protection Statute

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: None

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Julie Shananaquet’s verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Legislative Leader Emily Proctor read Tributes for Secretary Julie Shananaquet and Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to override the Executive Veto of Waganakising Odawak Statute Child Protection Statute.

6-yes, 3-no (Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0-abstained, 0-absent, 0-no

Motion failed as vetoed statute shall not become enacted law unless the Tribal Council, by an affirmative vote of seven (7) members of the Tribal Council vote to override the veto.

10:30 a.m. Break

10:35 a.m. Meeting Resumed

Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort 2021 2nd Quarter Report

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort 2021 2nd Quarter Report for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 6-yes, 0-no, 3-abstained (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Aaron Otto), 0-absent

Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: August 10, 2021

(Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting)

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-01 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 96-638 Annual Funding Agreement, Law Enforcement Annual Contract FY 2022.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-02 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement, Consolidated Tribal Government

Programs Annual Contract FY 2022.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-03 Request for Funding from the Indian Health Service, Annual Funding Agreement FY 2022.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-04 Request for Funding from the Food and Nutrition Service, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) FY 2022.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-05 Request for Funding from Employment and Training Administration, CAREER (Comprehensive and Accessible Reemployment through Equitable Employment Recovery) National Dislocated Worker Grants FY 2021.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-06 Request for Funding from National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program FY 2021.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Burial Program Supplemental funding in the Amount of \$120,000.00 from General Fund-Fund Balance.

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carries.

-Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee: None

-Next Meeting of the Appropriations and Finance Committee is September 7, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom for the public.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chair for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: August 13, 2021.

(Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting)

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to have a Phase I assessment and an Enjinaaknegeng legal assessment, in accordance with WOS 2015-011 Donated Land Acceptance Statute, on land parcel situated in the City of Petoskey, County of Emmet, State of Michigan described as:

N 1/2 OF NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 OF SECTION 12. EXC W 1/2 OF S 1/2 OF N 1/2 OF NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 OF SD SEC. 15 AC M/L. SECTION 12, T34N, R6W.

Vote: 2 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 1 absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: None

-Next Meeting of the Land and Reservation Committee is September 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom for the public.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chairperson for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

11:43a.m. Public Comment opened:

Jannan Cornstalk spoke regarding organizing the Water is Life festival Labor Day weekend and the problem with the City of Mackinaw allowing specific vendors and workshops and signage at the NRD Wilderness Cabins.

11:53 a.m. Public Comment closed Tribal Council Member Reports: None

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of William Ortiz’ Natural Resources Commission resignation letter dated August 10, 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Legislative office reports moved to afternoon

11:57 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to Adjourn.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Next Scheduled Meeting

Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Council Secretary Date

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Minutes August 19, 2021 Afternoon Session

Call to Order: 2.23 p.m.

Closed Session: none

Opening Ceremony: Councilor Marty Van De Car

Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Secretary Marcella Reyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: none

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay, Language Director Carla Osawamick, Planning Director Amanda Swiss, WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon, Planning Department Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Prosecutor Office Manager Gwen Teuthorn, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson

Judicial Officials and Staff: Probation Officer/Adult Drug Court Alyssa Harold

Corporate Charters: Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Administrative Assistant Nichlos Pel-tier, Vice Chairperson Denise Steffel, Treasurer Cheryl Kishigo, and Executive Director Shanna Kishigo

Public: Bernadece Boda, Daniel Pierzynowski, Hadassah Greensky, Kristal Boda, Marvin Mulholland, Renee Dillard, Janet Shomin, Melissa Shomin,

Invited Guest: Laura Foerster

Motion made by Councilor Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to adopt the agenda of August 19, 2021 as amended for the afternoon session of August 19, 2021.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Elections

Legislative Leader nominations:

Councilor Marcella Reyes nominates Councilor **Emily Proctor** for the position of Tribal Council Legislative Leader with support from Councilor **Fred Kiogima**.

Councilor Melissa Pamp

nominates Councilor **Tamara Kiogima** for the position of Tribal Council Legislative Leader with support from Councilor **William Ortiz**.

Legislative Leader Vote:

Councilor Emily Proctor vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marcel-

la Reyes, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Emily Proctor, Councilor Marty Van De Car

Councilor Tamara Kiogima vote: Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Melissa Pamp

Legislative Leader Emily Proctor remains Legislative Leader

Tribal Secretary nominations:

Councilor **Fred Kiogima** nominates Councilor **Marcella Reyes** for the position of Tribal Council Secretary with support from **Councilor Leroy Shomin**.

Councilor William Ortiz nominates Councilor **Melissa Pamp** for Tribal Secretary with support from **Councilor Aaron Otto**.

Councilor Marcella Reyes vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marcella Reyes, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor, Councilor Leroy Shomin

Councilor Melissa Pamp Vote: Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Melissa Pamp

Marcella Reyes is Tribal Secretary Tribal Treasurer nominations

Secretary Marcella Reyes nominates **Councilor Leroy Shomin** for the position of Tribal Council Treasurer with support from Councilor **Fred Kiogima**.

Consensus: **Councilor Leroy Shomin is Tribal Council Treasurer**

Tribal Council Committee Assignment Discussion.

Appropriations and Finance Committee Assignments

(Statutorily the Tribal Treasurer automatically serves as Committee Chair of the Appropriations and Finance Committee)

Motion made by Treasurer Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to assign Councilor William Ortiz and Secretary Marcella Reyes to the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee Assignments

Motion made by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to assign Secretary **Marcella Reyes**, **Councilor Aaron Otto** and **Councilor Fred Kiogima** to the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carries.

Tribal Prosecutor Interview with Laura Foerster

3:10 p.m. Public Comment opened:

Renee Dillard (Written in Chat) Distressed that the Oath of Office took place entirely in the foreign language to our Ancestors and no smudge or prayer to start.

Marvin Mulholland would like to see the Mackinaw Casino expand.

Bernadece Boda, would like to see this new Tribal Council look at some things the previous council looked at like minimum wage increase. When CBC seats are open, some who fill those seats, are employees of the Tribal Government. Would like to see attorneys explain at the next annual meeting how it does not violate the Tribes code of conduct.

Donna Budnick, Congratulations to the new Councilors, I look forward to working with you.

Janet Shomin: thank you for your nice words, let’s see if your words match with action.

3:18 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Tribal Prosecutor Interview with Laura Foerster continues.

The motion for consideration to appoint the prosecutor position will be on the September 2, 2021 agenda.

Executive Oversight Report:

Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley: welcomed new Tribal Council to the next 4-years. Working with Senator Peters Office and will be meeting with him at Minogin Market next week regarding American Rescue Plan funds.

Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay. The Tribe received \$11,497,642.60. The grand total received to date is \$34,153,389.80. Would like to meet with Treasurer Leroy Shomin regarding the spending plan. USDA work group meeting went well regarding food distribution program.

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“Minutes” continued from page 24.

Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson-Executive work group update including Master planning. Will be sending out a mailer to Citizens to see what it is they are wanting. Broad band applications are shooting for more than \$500,000.00.

Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon-COVID update: Will send phases to new Tribal Council for review. Not in a phase right now. Masks in building mandatory. All indoor events and meetings cancelled.

The Executive stated the COVID funds would be available to support people who are out of work due to COVID related issues.

4:30 p.m. Councilor Marty Van De Car exits meeting.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima

to acknowledge the verbal and written Executive Oversight Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

4:33 p.m. Break

4:48 p.m. Meeting resumed

Legislative Office Reports:

Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto

to acknowledge receipt of Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope’s verbal report for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik’s written report for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick’s verbal and written report for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 2-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

General Counsel

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel James Bransky’s confidential memo for August 19, 2021.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 2-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount’s verbal report for August 9, 2021.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Councilor Ta-

mara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Fred Harrington, Jr. to the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation and set up an interview.

Vote: 4-yes, 4-no (Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz

to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Fred Harrington, Jr. to the Odawa Construction Corporation and set up an interview.

Vote: 4-yes, 4-no (Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion failed.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to appoint John Keshick III to the Natural Resources Commission for a 4-year term September 21, 2021 – September 21, 2025.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to appoint Renee Dillard to the Natural Resources Commission for a 4-year term September 21, 2021 – September 21, 2025.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-01 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 96-638 Annual Funding Agreement, Law Enforcement Annual Contract FY 2022.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to appoint Matthew Gasco to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year term ending September 21, 2024.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to appoint Greg Karlis to the Elder’s Commission for a 4-year term September 21, 2021 – September 21, 2025.

Vote: 4-yes, 4-no (Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Secretary Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion fails.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to appoint Greg Karlis to the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Company, Inc. for a 3-year term September 27, 2021 – September 27, 2024.

Vote: 3-yes, 5-No (Secretary Marcella Reyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor, Councilor Aaron Otto), 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to appoint Jon Shawa to the Election Board for a 4-year term September 21, 2021 – September 21, 2025.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 1-abstained (Councilor Fred Kiogima), 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to appoint Andrea Pierce to the Election Board for a 4-year term September 21, 2021 – September 21, 2025.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to appoint Sharon Sierzputowski to the Election Board for a 4-year term September 21, 2021 – September 21, 2025.

Vote: 3-yes, 5-No (Secretary Marcella Reyes, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion fails.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-02 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement, Consolidated Tribal Government Programs Annual Contract FY 2022.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-03 Request for Funding from the Indian Health Service, Annual Funding Agreement FY 2022.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-04 Request for Funding from the Food and Nutrition Service, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) FY 2022.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-05 Request for Funding from Employment and Training Administration, CAREER (Comprehensive and Accessible Reemployment through Equitable Employment Recovery) National Dislocated Worker Grants FY 2021.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 081921-06 Request for Funding from National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program FY 2021.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to approve Enrollment List A – Eligible for Citizenship dated August 18, 2021 for a total of three (3).

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Enrollment List B – Declination (Ineligible) dated August 18, 2021 for a total of two (2).

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

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Roll Call Votes: Motion made by Secretary Marcela Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution Burial Program Supplemental funding in the Amount of \$120,000.00 from General Fund-Fund Balance.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-absent, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

6:03 p.m. Public Comment opened:

-Janet Shomin stated it has been a long interesting day and thanks to all the hard work and thanks to Michele LaCount.

6:07 p.m. Public Comment closed. Adjournment:

6:08 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to Adjourn 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car) Motion carries.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:

Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Council Secretary Date

AMERICAN INDIAN Commercial Tobacco Program. In Michigan, American Indians have the highest rates of commercial tobacco use of any ethnic group. There is help for those who wish to quit smoking with the help of a compassionate, dedicated coach and nicotine replacement therapy as needed. The American Indian Commercial Tobacco Program is a free quitline service in partnership with the Michigan Tobacco Quitline. Calls are free and confidential. 1-855-372-0037. 70% In some Michigan tribal communities, the smoking rate among adults is as high as. 15% Smoking is linked to fetal and infant mortality. Among American Indians in the state, the infant mortality rate is. 90% Tribes are facing a growing number of lung cancer cases. The mortality rate for American Indians with lung cancer is as high as.

CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS IN CIGARETTE SMOKE. A SUMMARY OF A SELECTION OF HAZARDOUS COMPOUNDS IN CIGARETTE SMOKE & THEIR EFFECTS. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS IN CIGARETTE SMOKE: 7,357. NUMBER OF THESE COMPOUNDS WITH CONFIRMED CARCINOGENIC ACTIVITY: 70. Chemicals listed include: NICOTINE, ACETALDEHYDE, N-NITROSAMINES, 1,3-BUTADIENE, BENZENE, ACROLEIN, AROMATIC AMINES, POLYAROMATICS.

Gen3 Defense and Aerospace Expanding into New Location in Kent County, MI

Founded in 2020, Gen3 Defense and Aerospace, LLC is an engineering, manufacturing and supply chain solution provider, headquartered in Grand Rapids, MI, with a primary focus on newly developed autonomous military and aerospace programs. Gen3 recently secured a large five-year contract and needs to grow its West Michigan team to maintain and expand its capabilities in robotics systems development. The company is expanding into a larger facility in Kent County, MI, which will allow for increased manufacturing capacity and additional team members. The project is expected to generate a total capital investment of \$8.7 million and create up to 269 high-wage jobs, resulting in a \$1 million Michigan Business Development Program per-



formance-based grant. Michigan was chosen for the project over a competing site in Florida. The project will continue to grow Michigan’s advanced manufacturing sector and will further boost the state as a hub for defense-related manufacturing and R&D. Gen3 promotes from within and offers on-the-job training to its employees and will bring a large number of pathway jobs to the region as a result of the expansion. Courtesy graphic.

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"Ettawageshik" continued from page 1.

In the face of devastation – flooding, water commodification and Native suppression – Ettawageshik says we must not fall into despair. We can feel small, but we must remember that everyone else feels small, too, and when small people take small actions together, they can make good changes that will be felt for generations.

This practical, big-picture perspective is what makes Ettawageshik special. He excels at rallying people together around a cause, often representing them in spaces they did not have access to before – state and federal government workgroups, tribal associations, binational Great Lakes compacts and the United Nations.

In these positions, Ettawageshik merges his policy and government expertise with an understanding of the people he represents to make our planet better for future generations.

In honor of his impact, Ettawageshik received the Helen & Milliken Distinguished Service Award from the Michigan Environmental Council. He was presented with it in person at the 23rd Annual Environmental Awards Celebration in Dexter, MI, on August 19, 2021.

From Waganakising to the United Nations

Ettawageshik's environmental activism began during his 16-year tenure as chairman of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in Waganakising – or, in U.S. government terms, the Harbor Springs, MI, area.

When he accepted the role, the Little Traverse Bay Bands had \$4,000 in the bank and a handful of employees.

With his fellow council members, the tribe completed a 158-year mission and reaffirmed its sovereign status with a signature from President Bill Clinton. Then, a decade later, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution that separated powers into executive, legislative and judicial branches.

By the time Ettawageshik stepped down as chairman, the Little Traverse Bay Bands had a \$30 million budget, a health clinic, a more just and balanced government, stronger relations with other tribes and the United States and plenty more staff. He helped bring better resources and voices to more than 5,000 members.

Along the way, Ettawageshik and others grounded the Little Traverse Bay Bands in environmentally just policies that benefited not only the nation, but others.

"Laws become undone when they become inconvenient for too many people," he said. "So, we have to work really hard to protect lakes and have everybody get on board. This ecosystem, the Great Lakes, affects the whole country."

The Little Traverse Bay Bands adopted a resolution that reflected the 1997 Kyoto Protocol, which are climate change commitments United Nations members have voluntarily committed to. More recently, the Little Traverse Bay Bands have cut back on its energy use and saved over 85,000 metric tons of carbon from being emitted in a 10-year span.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands also became a major player in binational decisions around the Great Lakes. When the United States and Canada left out Indigenous nations on Great Lakes preservation discussions, Ettawageshik and the Little Traverse Bay Bands were initiators and signatories in the Tribal and First Nations Great Lakes Water Accord.

It brought tribes into decision making on the Great Lakes Compact negotiated by the eight states of the Great Lakes Basin. It set strict standards on how the area's groundwater and surface water could be withdrawn and diverted. Ettawageshik was part of the Indigenous caucus that advised the parties during negotiations. A parallel agreement was made between those same states and two Canadian provinces.

Now, Ettawageshik serves on the Michigan Water Use Advisory Council, which continues to recommend best ways to preserve and understand Michigan's water.

Ettawageshik was also an appointee to the Great Lake Regional Collaboration, which called on and advocated for Great Lakes protection funding. Working for years with fellow ap-

pointees, their efforts finally paid off, leading to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative's creation, which has provided over \$3.48 billion in federal funding to remove pollution, algal blooms and other threats.

A month ago, Ettawageshik was brought back into the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative's fold when EPA Administrator Michael Regan appointed him to serve on the Great Lakes Advisory Board to help oversee the Initiative's aims and actions.

The pinnacle, perhaps, came at the Paris Climate Agreement in 2015. Ettawageshik and over 200 other Indigenous leaders were successful in amending the agreement, so Indigenous rights and knowledge were considered in climate decisions. They also saw through their proposed climate change goal: keeping the global temperature within two degrees Celsius of pre-industrial levels.

The list of achievements goes on – president of the Association of American Indian Affairs, executive director of the United Tribes of Michigan. Each effort is grounded in getting Indigenous peoples at the decision-making table and providing insights and knowledge to make the world better for everyone – flora and fauna included.

Ettawageshik may serve as the appointed leader in all these endeavors, but he is quick to say it is other Indigenous peoples guiding him and working to implement good environmental practices grounded in Indigenous sovereignty and power.

"Frank has been tremendous in bringing Native people together," said Dr. Kyle Whyte, University of Michigan professor and member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. "He's created connectivity and networks and relationships across people who otherwise wouldn't have otherwise had those relationships."

Whyte first met Ettawageshik when they both served on an environmental justice task force created by former Michigan Governor Rick Snyder. Ettawageshik's leadership skills were immediately apparent – a man of ethics and integrity.

"Frank is diplomatic, but at the same time, he stands up to people and institutions that are threatening the sanctity of the environment and the quality of the environment," he said.

Walking Softly on Mother Earth

Colleen Medicine first met Ettawageshik a few years back when she was working in the repatriation office of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, of which she's a citizen of.

"It was probably intimidating for me as a 21-year-old to meet Frank," she said with a chuckle. "He was almost like a celebrity."

He has a wealth of knowledge, Medicine said. He has "huge" tenacity. And he has a hand in efforts as diverse as trail mix ingredients.

Medicine sees these traits again and again as the program director of the Association of American Indian Affairs, the nation's oldest non-profit protecting Indian Country sovereignty and culture. Ettawageshik is the board president.

"He's really paved the path for people to come behind him, because he's at tables that we've never traditionally got to be at," she said.

In a way, Ettawageshik is making the world better for future generations both as a door-opener and a policy maker.

Ettawageshik often speaks of this – descent and ancestry – in the context of climate. He says our ancestors have gotten us to where we are now at this moment. We must do the same as they did: making sure our future generations are in as good a place as possible.

"Seven generations from now, my hopes are we have healthy waters, a healthy environment, prosperous communities, and safe, happy, healthy children," he said. "It's a fairly simple goal, and yet it is extremely difficult to get there."

And yet, Ettawageshik – father of four, grandfather of eight, husband, artist, storyteller, Indigenous advocate and environmental activist – is well on his way.

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Recycle & Compost

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MANOOMIN WILL HAVE ITS DAY IN COURT

By Mary Annette Pember



na Wright wrote, “The Supreme Court has made clear . . . that a tribe’s sovereign immunity bars suits against the tribe for injunctive and declaratory relief; In summary, plaintiffs are not entitled to injunctive relief because this Court lacks the authority to enjoin the defendants in this case. Moreover, in light of Defendants’ tribal sovereign immunity, the Court also concludes that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction over this case and must dismiss the complaint without prejudice.”

EagleWoman expressed surprise the Department of Natural Resources went to federal court to try to stop a tribal court rather than seeing the rights of manoomin lawsuit as an opportunity to discuss the claims and seek a settlement.

“Their expectations that the federal court would ignore federal law were not well thought out,” EagleWoman said.

The case will move forward in tribal court. Spokespeople for the Department of Natural Resources did not respond to an e-mail from *Indian Country Today* asking about their plans in the case.

In a letter shared with *Indian Country Today*, Oliver Larson, Minnesota assistant attorney general, wrote to Judge Wright on September 5 requesting leave to file a motion with district court to reconsider its order. Larson offers examples of case law backing up his claim federal courts have jurisdiction to review tribal court jurisdiction and enjoin tribal court proceedings.

Mary Annette Pember, a citizen of the Red Cliff Ojibwe tribe, is a national correspondent for *Indian Country Today*.

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On September 3, a federal judge dismissed the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources motion for an injunction against the White Earth Band of Ojibwe tribal court and judge in its lawsuit, Manoomin versus Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

“The federal court rightly noted that it has no authority whatsoever to enjoin a tribal court judge from hearing a tribal court law case,” said Angelique EagleWoman, professor and co-director, Native American Law and Sovereignty Institute at Mitchell Hamline School of Law.

“This is a matter of respect between different sovereigns and is also a matter of U.S. Supreme Court decisions holding that tribes have sovereign immunity,” EagleWoman added.

EagleWoman is a citizen of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Oyate.

“Manoomin will have its day in court; this is big,” said Michael Fairbanks, chairman of the White Earth Band of Ojibwe on hearing about the court’s decision.

In a first of its kind legal action, opponents of Enbridge’s Line 3 pipeline construction project filed a complaint in August on behalf of wild rice or manoomin in the Ojibwe language in White Earth tribal court claiming the Department of Natural Resources violated the rights of manoomin as well as multiple treaty rights for tribal citizens to hunt, fish and gather outside the reservation. Plaintiffs in the case say the agency failed to protect the state’s fresh water by allowing Enbridge to pump up to five billion gallons of groundwater from construction trenches during a drought and thus endangering the health of wild rice.

The Department of Natural Resources argued the White Earth tribal court lacked jurisdiction over the state agency, citing its own sovereign immunity and the fact it’s not a tribal citizen.

In her order, U.S. District Judge Wilhelm-

GOVERNOR WHITMER ANNOUNCES MICHIGAN PARTNERING WITH ONTARIO ON CROSS-BORDER MOBILITY TECHNOLOGIES



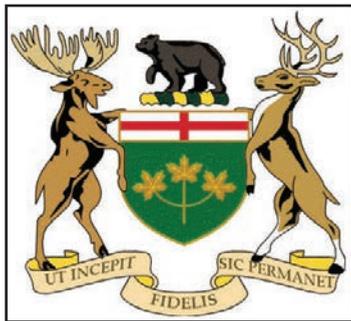
testbed for advanced automotive and mobility solutions.

The collaboration between Michigan and Ontario will seek to meet the following goals:

- Identifying the potential economic, social and environmental benefits from increased collaboration in mobility technologies between Ontario and Michigan.
- Identifying issues and challenges for both people and goods related to specific types of border crossing (by land, air and water) and how mobility technologies could offer solutions.
- Exploring the regulatory and policy considerations involved.
- Developing a roadmap for implementation, including steps to establish multimodal cross-border pilots for mobility technologies.

Combined, Ontario and Michigan are responsible for about 22% of North America’s automotive output. The state and province share a highly integrated automotive supply chain with vehicle parts crossing the border several times before rolling off the assembly line in finished vehicles.

In addition, many companies operate on both sides of the border with engineering expertise and technology innovation shared between the two centers of automotive



manufacturing and technology.

Quick Facts

- In 2017, Michigan and Ontario collaborated on North America’s first cross-border automated vehicle test drive.
- In 2020, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer created the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification. It works across state government, academia and private industry to enhance Michigan’s mobility ecosystem, including developing dynamic mobility and electrification policies and supporting the startup and scale up of emerging technologies and businesses.
- More than half of Michigan’s automotive suppliers conduct automated vehicle testing in the state. Michigan offers more than 600 miles of roadway equipped for connected vehicle testing, and it is building the road of the future with a new 40-mile connected corridor project being led by MDOT and the Office of

“Whitmer” continued on page 28.

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“Whitmer” continued from page 27. Future Mobility and Electrification.

• Ontario has more than 300 companies and organizations pioneering connected and autonomous vehicle technologies. This ecosystem is strengthened by the Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network (AVIN), led by Ontario Centre of Innovation. It connects the province’s world-leading automotive and technology sectors, high-quality post-secondary institutions, first-class talent and regional infrastructure to support entrepreneurship and

create jobs.

• Ontario’s 2021 Budget announced further support for the auto sector by investing C\$56.4 million over the next four years to build on the successful elements of AVIN and create the Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (OVIN). OVIN’s expanded mandate will help foster the next generation of electric, connected and autonomous vehicle and mobility technologies in Ontario.

• Ensuring southwestern Ontario is prepared for future growth and the introduction of new technologies like connected and automated vehicles

is part of Ontario’s draft transportation plan for southwestern Ontario.

• For 2020, two-way goods trade between Michigan and Ontario was valued at \$44.8 billion (C\$60.1 billion). The state and province are each other’s top export customer. This trade relationship supports thousands of jobs on both sides of the border.

• More than 25% of the more than \$700 billion in annual trade between the U.S. and Canada crosses between Windsor and Detroit, the most active border crossing in North America.

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FEDERAL COURT AFFIRMS HEALTH CARE AS TREATY RIGHT

By Mary Annette Pember

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Native people may now claim a higher legal authority in calling for health services. The 8th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 2-1 on August 25 that healthcare is a treaty right guaranteed to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe by the 1868 Treaty of Fort Laramie.

Although a number of treaties call for the provision of medical services for tribes, federally funded health care for Native people is authorized by legislation such as the Snyder Act of 1921 and the permanent reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

In ruling that competent health care is a treaty right, however, the court imbues it with the power of the U.S. Constitution in which treaty rights are considered to be the supreme law of the land.

“The judgement affirms a trust duty by the federal government beyond the minimum health care that’s been provided to tribes,” said Jerilyn LeBeau Church, president and CEO of the Great Plains Tribal Leaders Health Board.

Church, a citizen of the Cheyenne River Sioux tribe, noted per capita spending by the Indian Health Service is considerably less than other federal health care services. For instance, IHS spends \$3,779 per user versus Medicaid which spends \$8,093 per user.

Language in the Treaty of Fort Laramie encourages tribes to abandon use of traditional medicines in favor of Western health care.

“This was a system of failure from the very start,” Church said.

The history of inadequate funding for IHS has contributed to health disparities among



Native people, according to Church.

“We asked the circuit court to declare that there is a treaty duty by the United States to provide competent physician-led healthcare at Rosebud; this decision is really important for tribes,” said Tim Purdon, partner with the Robbins Kaplan law firm. Purdon and Brendan Johnson, also with the law firm, are former U.S. states’ attorneys for North and South Dakota.

The circuit court’s ruling emerged from a 2016 lawsuit by the *Rosebud Sioux tribe v. United States of America et al* over the closure of the IHS’ emergency room on the reservation. Patients were diverted to hospitals more than 50 miles away; this presented danger to patients seeking emergency care according to the lawsuit.

In 2020, South Dakota District Court found in favor of the tribe; the U.S. Department of Justice appealed the decision claiming there was no treaty duty to provide healthcare to signatory tribes to the Ft. Laramie treaty.

The case is a pro bono effort for the Rosebud tribe by the law firm, according to Purdon.

Although government separation of powers prevents a federal judge from ordering Congress to appropriate more money for IHS, the court’s ruling declared healthcare is a treaty duty by the U.S.

In its decision, the court wrote, “In this specific case,

the government must do better.”

“The Treaty created a duty, reinforced by the Snyder Act and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, for the government to provide competent, physician-led healthcare to the tribe and its members. We affirm.”

This declarative ruling can help tribes in pressuring Congress to appropriate more money for health care, according to Purdon.

“I am extremely hopeful that this decision will now get the attention it needs in Washington at the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Justice and the White House,” Purdon said.

“The Rosebud Sioux tribe is located in one of the poorest counties in the country; the U.S. government should stop wasting resources in fighting with them and turn instead toward fixing the problem of inadequate health care which is devastating Indian Country,” he said.

Purdon noted the Justice Department opted to appeal the 2020 South Dakota’s favorable decision during the Donald Trump administration.

“I was shocked that President Biden’s administration chose to go forward with the appeal,” Purdon said.

“I’m hopeful that this ruling will encourage Congress to take a hard look at appropriations for tribal health care; in order to provide adequate care, services need to be funded at an appropriate level,” Church said.

In response to an e-mail from *Indian Country Today*, Wyn Hornbuckle, deputy director of the Department of Justice’s Office of Public Affairs wrote, “We are reviewing the ruling.”

Mary Annette Pember, a citizen of the Red Cliff Ojibwe tribe, is a national correspondent for *Indian Country Today*.
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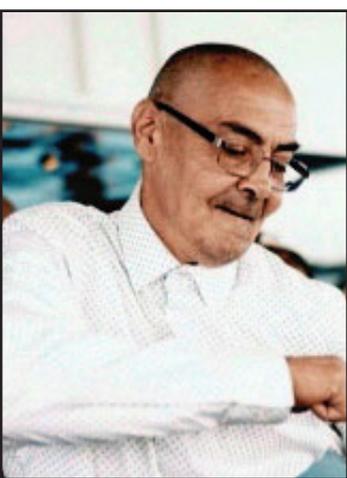
Walking On...



Rosemarie DeLand, 81 "Rosie"

Rosemarie "Rosie" (Dashner) DeLand was born November 17, 1939 on the Burt Lake reservation to parents, Charles "Chet" and Rosanna Elizabeth (Nongueskwa) Dashner. She married Kenneth Ivan DeLand on December 31, 1960 and lived in the Lansing, MI, area. Rosie worked for Berman Marshal as a press operator for several years and later for the Lansing School District in childcare. She had a passion for her cultural her-

itage and sharing the knowledge she learned. She taught beadwork and other traditional arts to people of all ages for many years at the Lansing Indian Center as well as different camps, cultural centers and traditional gatherings. She moved back to her Waganaking community a few years ago to reconnect with family and old friends and make new friends. She did miss the Lansing, MI, area and would visit often. Walking on before her were brothers, Charles, Jr. and Ray Morrow, parents, Chet and Rosanna, and her husband, Ken. Carrying on her legacy is her sister, Darlene (Dashner) Rowland, daughters, Michelle DeLand, and Roxanne (Bob) DeLand-Phillips, and granddaughters, Carolynn, Kristina and Kelsey. Along with Todd Parker, Cindi McIlrath, Lilli Parker, John, Patty, Jake and Luke Biernbaum and many nieces, nephews, great-grandchildren and camp kids. Rosie walked on, on July 18, 2021 in Harris, MI.



Mark "Porky" Shawanibin, 53

Mark "Porky" Shawanibin was our uncle, brother, son, adopted father and friend. Mark was born September 3, 1967 to the late Ralph and MaryAnn Shawanibin. Mark was a tribal citizen of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and he grew up in Northwest

Detroit, MI. Mark was very social and loved to spend time with his family. Mark adopted many friends into his family. He was a proud uncle to all his nieces and nephews. Mark is survived by sisters, Cindy (William) Schuyler, Debbie Shawanibin and his brother, Patrick Shawanibin. He is also survived by his nieces, Marie (Harvey) Dreaver, Heather (Joe) Syrette, Danielle Shawanibin, and his nephews, Nigel (Jovi) Schuyler, Donnie (Leah) Shawanibin, William (Quanisha) Shawanibin, adopted son, Timothy City, and many great-nieces and nephews. Mark was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and MaryAnn Shawanibin, brother, Michael Shawanibin, sister, Irene (Shawanibin) Daniels, brother, Richard Shawanibin, and grandmother, Julia Kenoshmeg.

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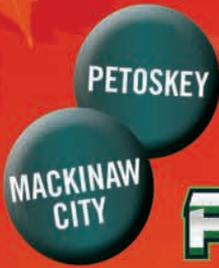


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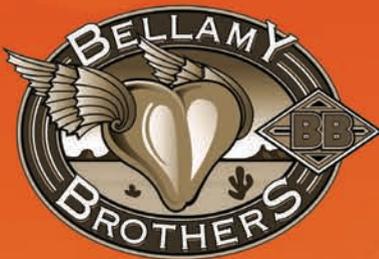
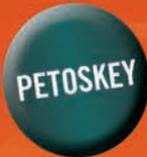
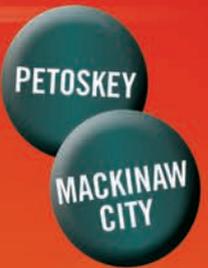
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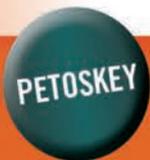
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