# BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION Special Edition Newsletter

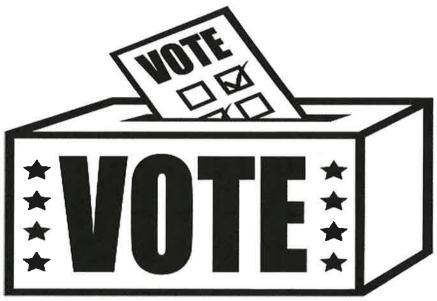


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# ELECTION 2019

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#### A message to Batchewana First Nation Membership:

Welcome to this years special edition, "ELECTION 2019" newsletter!

Batchewana First Nation is sending this newsletter to keep you, the voter informed and aware of the nominees running for Chief and Council.

All nominees were given until Thursday December 13, 2018 to submit their election platform into this mail out. The nominee's information has been placed in the order their name will appear on the ballot beginning with nominations for Chief.

For a voting package please contact Vaughn Johnston, Electoral Officer (866) 286-7130 Vaughn\_johnston@hotmail.com

Disclaimer: The submissions in this newsletter were not altered or changed in any way. The views expressed herein are solely the views of the nominees who submitted the information. Batchewana First Nation administration has had no part in assisting any of the candidates financially or otherwise.

**Polling Notice** 

Notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Batchewana First Nation

that a poll will be held to elect a Chief and eight (8) Councillors on

Tuesday the 5th day of February 2019, from nine o'clock (9:00) a.m.

until eight o'clock (8:00) p.m. at the:

Thunderbird Room, Rankin Arena

The votes will be counted at the Thunderbird Room immediately after the

close of the Poll. The results will be declared immediately following the count.

Please note that any voter can vote by mail in ballot. If you will not be present

on the day of the Poll, contact the Electoral Officer at the below information.

Given under my hand at <u>Batchewana FN</u> this 5<sup>th</sup> day of <u>December</u>, 2018.

Vaughn Johnston

**Electoral Officer** 

Toll free: 1.866.286.7130

Cell/Text: 1.705.849.8072

Email: vaughn johnston@hotmail.com

### **BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION**

The below individuals will have their names appear on the ballot for the February 5, 2019 General Election

Candidates for CHIEF
PAQUIN, Michel
SAYERS, Dean
SAYERS, Trevor Sr. (Trapper)

Candidates for COUNCILLOR
AGAWA, Fred (Freddie-Joe)
AGAWA, Gregory J.
BELL, Harvey
BOYER, Stephanie Ida
CORBIERE, Joseph M.
DAIGLE, Kenneth James (K.J.)
DALTON (NEVEAU), Ronald Jr. (R. J.)
ELIE, Dorothy
ELIE, Rodney Sr.
HEWSON, Marlene
MADIGAN (BOYER), Adele (Chigirl)
MCCORMICK, Mallory
MCCOY, Brian
MCCOY, Mark
NADJIWON, Keith
NADJIWON, Teala
NEVEAU, Robin
PAQUIN, Michel
ROACH, Gary Jr.
ROBINSON, Fred
ROBINSON, Laura
SAYERS, Dan Sr.
SAYERS, Joseph Thomas Angus (Joe Tom)
SAYERS, Melissa
SEWELL, Pete
SYRETTE, Eugene Allan (Yin)
SYRETTE, Vernon (Champ)
TEGOSH, Lynn

Vaugha Johnston

Vaughn Johnston Electoral Officer Thursday, Dec 13, 2018

# Re-Elect Chief Dean Sayers February 2019

#### Ahneen:

Batchewana First Nation has a long history of defending and asserting Indigenous inherent rights and jurisdictions. Our Elder's continually remind me that we have a lot of reserved jurisdictions and unfettered sovereignty throughout our lands from Sault Ste. Marie (Baawaating) to Pukaskwa, inland to the height of land where the water flows into Lake Superior.

As a result, my focus at the table has been to encourage our collective leadership to protect, maintain, enhance, and reclaim our jurisdictions throughout that entire territory. Batchewana has entered into Nation to Nation relationship agreements, where we decided to share. I'm reminded of the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850 in particular, and its many unfulfilled clauses including the escalator clause (also referred to as the \$4 a year issue). I will continue to represent the 21 First Nations at the table with regards to our relationship with Canada and Ontario in regards to the \$4 a year issue. The Crown (Canada and Ontario) has failed to increase our annual payments based on the revenues generated. There's no reason we should be living in poverty and struggling as a Nation.

I will also continue to pursue Batchewana's jurisdictional recognition throughout our inherent territory. That includes the return of Lake Superior Provincial Park and all of the Crown run Provincial Parks throughout our territory as a starting point. This is a huge employment opportunity for us. Our "Notice of Assertion" will continue to reap benefits for us on many fronts including further jurisdictional recognition, and economic opportunities such as jobs and equity investment opportunities.

This of course is a two-way street. We as a People have a huge inherent responsibility to look after the lands, the animals, the waters, our language, culture and manage our resources in a sustainable way for the future generations. To be consistent in our resource management, the leadership of our First has been working on policies, and laws that can help us better fulfil our obligation's to those jurisdictions. This is ongoing work and I will encourage that work to continue to happen.

We have taken the illegal drug issue seriously at our leadership table this last term. We have banished many individuals from our communities. We will not condone or support the continued rampant illegal drug use and drug dealers in our communities and the resulting repercussions. We will take steps to eradicate these drugs and dealers from our communities.

I also support Batchewana First Nation leadership's moratorium on cannabis while we talk to our People about a position that our First Nation should take in this regard. Batchewana First Nation will be out there in the next short while asking you your thoughts on cannabis.

I also encourage our people to continue to bring Indigenous rights violations to my attention no matter where you live across North America. Batchewana will continue to provide support where we can. That includes your right to equitable health care, your hunting and fishing rights, etc. We will also provide child welfare support wherever you may live throughout North America. Other supports vary depending on our financial and human resource abilities.

Batchewana has also endorsed new cultural centre architectural drawings. The new facility will include a community gymnasium capable of hosting large events in excess of 1000 participants. There will also be new cultural space including an indoor sacred fire arbour. The architectural drawings also include a new Youth Center and small business incubation spaces. Our people have been asking for this for a long time now. It's on the horizon. In the meantime, our leadership will continue to invest in the hiring of cultural and language resource people in all of our communities.

I will continue to fight for equal access to programming and services. If one program or service is offered in one community, that same program needs to be provided in our other two communities. Everyone deserves the same quality of programming and services. There are ways to achieve this.

The "Mike Neveau Memorial Wharf" is now open. The First Nation has taken receipt of the refurbished dock in our Goulais community. Plans are in place to expand the dock in the future to better meet our commercial fishery needs.

We have been successful in having Canada provide proper water systems in our Goulais and Obadjiwan communities. A total of \$7 million will be expended. Project management and tendering processes have commenced.

Many of you have shared with me your appreciation in regards to the proposed trust process regarding the Windfarm revenues. I too support a formula-based revenue distribution.

In closing I want to thank my nominators Wesley Havill and James Sayers (Robin). I also want to acknowledge the Elders and our citizens that have passed on in the last couple of years. Your presence, guidance and wisdom will be missed.

I look forward to your continued support in my role as your Chief during the 2019 to 2021 term.

Megwetch,



# Biography of Chief Candidate: TREVOR SAYERS (TRAPPER)

#### Platform:

Trevor Sayers believes all of Batchewana First Nation (BFN) territories are in need of a rejuvenating change with fresh ideas that inspire the opportunity to heal. He feels the best chance for change and healing is to utilize our own people, on and off reserve, to create a realistic strategy that will begin the process. His political stance and structure are to work collaboratively with council and the members to empower all of our communities. Trevor's vision for BFN is to create a sense of home, belonging, a sense of pride, positivity, and pushing our members to healing and reviving our community spirit! Trust, integrity, and humbleness are key components Trevor builds his life around and will bring these values as he dedicates himself to building a healthier community for all.

#### Skills, Knowledge:

Trevor possess the diverse skills required to actively engage and lead a community. He has acquired these skills through working for the community in a few different roles including culture, recreation, education and community health. Within these roles, Trevor has an understanding of the process in working with different levels of government such as federal, provincial and municipal. For example, Jordan's Principle, Non Insured Health Benefits Canadian Mortgage Housing Corporation (CMHC). A strong working relationship with Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians (AIAI) and Indigenous Services Canada (former INAC) while conjoining with the Health Canada via the environmental health officer for numerous community wide projects. Trevor's educational background includes Diabetes Support Worker Certification obtained from First Nation's Technical Institute and one year of post-secondary in Business Management at Sault College. Trevor has added public speaking to his skillset through facilitating many workshops, pow wows, and gatherings. He has proven the strength of his public speaking by successfully orchestrating and commanding rooms of over 200 attendees while making each person feel valued and welcomed. This natural ability makes Trevor an approachable person to all generations and will elicit the sense of belonging each band member deserves from their elected Chief.

#### Background:

When Trevor is not working for our community, you can find him enjoying the communities all year round whether it is Batchawana, Goulais, Rankin or Old Garden River Road. Playing baseball, picking medicines, bike riding, snowshoeing or walking the trails of Whitefish Island. Trevor is constantly taking in the glory of our amazing communities and the simple majestic surroundings of our home.

Trevor and his older brother were both born and raised on Rankin Reserve by their parents Dan and Carol. Trevor understands the significance of returning to the Reserve to raise a family and is thankful that he had this opportunity. He is a proud father of two adult sons and one daughter and is an exhausted grandfather of two busy grandsons. Knowing the importance of growing up in the small community Trevor has built numerous lifelong friendships with his peers and their families.

Trevor Sayers (Trapper) for Chief

# Biography of Chief Candidate: TREVOR SAYERS (TRAPPER)

#### Background Cont...

Choosing a traditional lifestyle was a life altering decision for Trevor. Over the last 23 years, Trevor worked with elders, traditional healers, and with all the members of our community who wish to take their journey of healing. At the tender age of 13 Trevor received his Anishnabe name, clan and colours from a well-known and well respected traditional healer. When Trevor introduces himself, he shows the respect of his elders for sharing the creation story with him and his introduction is as follows. Bozhoo, Biizhiw N'dishnikaz, Migizi, Dodem, Rankin Reserve, Batchewana First Nation n'donjiba. In English it translates to he is the Lynx, he is an honoured member of the Eagle Clan, and his forever home is Rankin Reserve, portion of the Batchewana First Nation.

#### Elections 2019:

Trevor is thankful for the nominations from Diane Jones and Bernadette Agawa and respects their support and confidence in his abilities to represent our community as the Chief. Not only is Trevor's home in our community, his blood, sweat and tears are in the community and simply put; "His heart is all about our community." Trevor believes in our home, and he truly believes that as a united community our voices shall be heard and validated.

#### **Contact Information:**

For a collaborative change to begin, Trevor promotes sharing and accessibility. He can be contacted directly at the following email address:

communityempowerment@votefortrap2019.com

Milgwech;

Trevor Sayers

# **BIOGRAPHY**

# FRED AGAWA

(FREDDIE-JOE)

### LEADERSHIP

Fred Agawa is a candidate for council that will offer unique representation through his roots established in all three of our BFN communities, including Sault Ste. Marie. Fred will bring the insight maintain needed to fairness and equality for the diverse needs of our members, on and off reserve.

He is a mindful consumer of the services BFN offers which he has accessed either directly or indirectly living on and off reserve. Through his lived experience, he will be an advocate for program enhancement by acknowledging the strengths and weaknesses of service delivery.



# PERSONAL BACKGROUND

Fred was born to Percy and Marian, the sixth of seven children. Along with his siblings, Fred's parents raised them over the years in Batchawana Village, Sault Ste. Marie, and Goulais Mission. Fred now resides in Rankin with his wife, two sons and daughter.

# VISION

Fred believes this election is about positive identifying strategies to keep our communities moving forward with vitality, integrity and accountability. He is grateful for the nomination from Elizabeth Sayers and Mary Sayers and is motivated create to positive changes through his commitment to all the communities.

Respectfully,

Fred Agawa

Ahneen,

My name is Greg Agawa. Within Batchewana First Nation my family line is one of original members on the Goulais Bay Reserve. For many decades my passion and advocacy work on the true meaning of the 1850 Robinson Huron Treaty came as a result of direct knowledge passed down from generation to generation within my family line. An example of my continued advocacy work on our treaty was in the 2015-2017 term by being the main advocate on council to have the Hydro Delivery Charges removed for our First Nation.

As the Robinson Huron Treaty Annuity Case decision is expected in the courts by December 2018, it's important that our membership needs to be directly involved in how the annuity payments are given to every Batchewana First Nation member. The Bow Lake Wind Farm revenues is another area where more community engagement is needed on the management of those revenues. The current leadership have worked on engaging and updating all our communities on both the Robinson Huron Treaty Annuity Case and the proposed trust process of the Bow Lake Wind Farm revenues. The members in all of our communities need to be directly involved in defining the process on the Robinson Huron Treaty annuity payments and how to manage the Bow Lake Wind Farm revenues. I support the collective memberships' direction on the annuity case payments and how to manage the wind farm revenues.

Thank you for considering me as a councillor and I would like the opportunity to represent all communities including off-reserve in the upcoming 2019 BFN elections.

Chi Meegwetch to Patricia Lesage and Kenneth James Daigle for nominating me to be a councillor.

Elect, Gregory Joseph Agawa as Councillor on Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

Gregory Agowa

#### **RE-ELECT HARVEY BELL FOR COUNCIL**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, wishing each and every one of you a healthy and prosperous year ahead. The last couple of years have been very busy and rewarding. Batchewana First Nation is in the best financial shape we have ever been. My focus will continue with Education, Elderly, Health of our membership and potential new business opportunities.

#### **Accomplishments:**

BFN paid off the mortgage on the Obadjawon Centre;

BFN paid off the Solar Farms located in the Industrial Park and on the Health Centre rooftop;

BFN paid off over \$11,000,000. In debt associated with Bow Lake;

Bow Lake has repaid BFN or its cash investment into the Bow Lake project which was over \$1,600,000.

Built 10-unit townhouse complex

#### BFN cash position currently:

- BFN is in the best financial shape we have ever been.
- BFN has working capital available to support operations and short-term investments
- BFN is currently in partnership with Hydro One, we are 1 of the 133 Nations in Ontario that entered into this agreement contract, which consists of shares, which will be paid out in 25 years

#### **Upcoming Capital Projects:**

- Wastewater infrastructure for subdivision and servicing expansion;
- Water systems for Obadjawon and Goulais
- BFN Health Hub facility;
- BFN Cultural Centre;
- BFN Long Term Care facility;
- 4 apartment buildings, Rankin location
- Nog Da Win Da Min head office, Rankin location

#### **Batchewana Needs:**

- Create more employment opportunities;
- More affordable housing for members to move onto the reservation (current request is around 200, which is down from over 300 in the previous 2 years)

Thank you for putting your trust in me over the last several years and for allowing me to serve as part of the Leadership of Batchewana First Nation. I am looking forward to your continued support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 705-992-3011 or <a href="https://example.com/harvey@batchewana.ca">hervey@batchewana.ca</a>.

Meegwetch and Thank you,

Harvey Bell

# VOTE 4 JOE CORBIERE

# "I SEE THE LIGHT CAMPAIGN"

I have recently had cataract surgery & now I can see the light

Band members have indicated that some of the election issues are:

	<ul><li>CHANGE in Chief &amp; Council</li><li>✓ Accountability</li></ul>		Better services to Elders and Youth
	✓ Transparency		Improve Quality of Life
	<ul><li>Reporting to Community members</li></ul>	ū	Support entrepreneurship
Q	To much Council secrecy  ✓ Bow Lake wind mills & Solar	ū	Band Employees running for Council
	Panels		Culture Centre - Language retention
	<ul> <li>✓ 1/4 or monthly reporting to membership</li> <li>✓ too much Council travel, combined with no results</li> </ul>	٥	Band workers do not have proper direction or support
	<ul><li>✓ Bingo deficit</li><li>✓ Arena deficit</li></ul>		Long term employment opportunities
٥	Opioid Crisis		Lack of services to the smaller communities
	Fair Dealing with Off reserve members		Amount of money spent on RH annuity claim
l pro	mise to:		
✓	serve our membership to the best of my ability	1	be fair
<b>√</b>	report to membership on a monthly	✓	deal with the tough issues
•	basis	1	I am semi-retired so I can commit enough time to the Councillor position
✓	answer your questions		position.
/	try & improve our quality of life	✓	use my extensive crisis management skills

ONLY YOU CAN MAKE SURE THAT LIGHT IS NOT THE RUNAWAY TRAIN

Vote for Joe Corbiere Election Day Tuesday February 5, 2019

#### **RESUME Joe Corbiere**

- 2015 **Corbiere & Associates** Owner Anishinabek Consulting Services
- 2009 2015 **Algoma Community Legal Clinic**, Director of Legal Services,
- 2011 **M'Chigeeng First Nation** Deputy Electoral Officer
- 2003 Law Office of Joseph M. Corbiere
- 2008 established my own on reserve law practice worked with Garden River Development Corporation
- 2005 M'Chigeeng First Nation Electoral Officer
- 2005 **Algoma University College** Sessional Professor Negotiating Joint Ventures
- 2004 & 06 **Batchewana First Nation/ Indian Northern Affairs Canada** Third Party Manager (and in 2006)- when political animosity led to the end of the Chief and Council's term with no election called
- 2000/03 Law Office of Susan M. Hare
- 1998-1999 **University of Toronto Faculty of Law** *Coordinator,* Aboriginal Academic Support Programme,
- 1998 Eberts Symes Street & Corbett Legal Research Assistant
- 1997 **Ontario Native Council on Justice**, Pro Bono Students Canada, *Volunteer* produced a discussion paper on creating By-laws
- 1988/98 Mamaweswen, the North Shore Tribal Council, Cutler Ontario Chief Executive Officer, prevented bankruptcy of Tribal Council *General Manager, The Enterprise Circle*, responsibilities included proposal writing, developed business plans and managed office building.
- 1982/88 I was employed generally in community and economic development at various places including Native Community Branch, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, Metis and Non-Status Indian Association, Alcor Developments, Beneficial Income Tax Service, Garden River FN and Batchewana FN

#### **CORPORATE BOARDS:**

2005/10 MICHIPICOTEN FIRST NATION TRUST - Trustee

2005/6 **BATCHEWANA BAND INDUSTRIES** - Director, Secretary Treasurer

2005/7 ALGOMA UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

2005/6 **1531100 ONTARIO INC.**, Director in cooperation with the Mamaweswen, The North Shore Tribal Council, various First Nations regarding Algoma Mill Works 2005/6 **MIGIZI WOOD PRODUCTS** - Director

1994/5 GARDEN RIVER DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION Director; assisted in negotiating joint venture with the Peter Kiewit Sons Ltd.
1992/6 ROBINSON HURON ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION Chairman
1989/96819221 ONTARIO INC., Mamaweswen, the

North Shore Tribal Council, Director

#### **EDUCATION:**

1999 **University of Toronto** Faculty of Law, LL.B. 1982 **Lake Superior State University** Graduated with Bachelor of Science in Accounting, began classes in Master of Business Administration

#### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING:

2009/14 **Bi Annual Regional Training** - Ontario Community Legal Clinics

- 2011 Mental Health First Aid
- 2010 Engaging Indigenous Communities: Resources, Rebellions, and Resurgence
- 2007 **Lemmex & Associates Limited:** Advanced Negotiating Techniques
- 2004 **Law Society of Upper Canada** Business Boot Camp Essential Training for Business Lawyer
- 1998 Centre for Indigenous Sovereignty

Indigenous Dispute Resolution,

- 1995 Stephen Covey Seminar
- 1993 **Anthony Robbins:** <u>Unleash The Power Within</u> "The Firewalk Experience"
- 1990 Marks and Associates Inc.: EDO Training
- 1987 University of Waterloo / Industrial
- Developers Association of Canada 1986 Ministry of the Attorney General Native Justice of the Peace Program

#### **CONFERENCES ATTENDED:**

- 2008 Living Treaties Anishinaabeg Summit
- 2008 **Visions of Sustainability** Canadian Indigenous Native Studies Association
- 1997 Aboriginal Taxation in Canada
- 1995 Aboriginal Tax and Finance,
- 1993 Doing Business with Aboriginal Canada:
- **Aboriginal Taxation Issues**, Canadian Bar Association Aboriginal Law and Business,
- 1992 **Doing Business with Aboriginal Canada**, The Financial Post Conference
- 1991 Northern Aboriginal Economic Development Conference,
- 1990 Economic Development for Self -
- Sufficiency on Indian Land -, Canadian Bar Assoc Self Government Symposium, AFN

#### **OTHER INTERESTS:**

Elected as councillor for the BFN in 2013, 2007, 1991, *Athletics*: Rugby; Fastpitch Softball, weight lifting, hockey, photography

I wrote opinion pieces for internet sites.



**Batchewana First Nation Election 2019** 

### Kenneth James Daigle Sr. Bio.

Aaniin Boozhoo, My Name is K J Daigle Sr. I was born in Baawaating in June of 1966. I am of the Wolf Clan and a part of the DAIGLE family from Gros Cap my grandfather named (*James Daigle*) and my grandmother Isabelle Daigle (*McCoy*). I am a proud Father to and Grand father as well as a partner to Patricia Lesage. I currently reside on the Rankin Reserve 15D I lived off reserve for many years and it is so nice to return home to be within community and amongst relatives and many new friends.

I feel in this ever changing world we live in I am obligated to serve our beautiful people and I am choosing to do so by seeking a seat on the Batchewana First Nation Council. I have never aspired to be a politician but I feel that there is some much needed change that needs to be done. The youth of our Nation must be left in a better position then what was left to us. Canada's reconciliation framework is leading us down a path to a total rights relinquishment. This is unacceptable to me as well as to future generation thus my honest and sincere entry for a seat on our council.

I do not come to the position of Councillor without solid qualifying credentials. I have many years of executive experience. I have the technical ability to understand and interpret Canadian Federal and Provincial policy and legislative schemes. I am university educated in academic writing which is a must have in corresponding with other outside foreign government departments. Evaluating programs and public policy is the field I am educated. As a highly trained executive administrator performance evaluation is also in my toolkit of professional responsibilities. It is the credentials I bring to the table as well as my platform that I am asking for your vote of confidence on election day.

My platform is simple but highly effective for the future success of our Nation. A total program evaluation and performance management implementation plan is to be carried out in the

first two months. Once the results are known a new five year plan is to be developed. My time on the governance committee has taught me, we need change, this underlying message is what most members conveyed. I plan to go out to each community and hold meetings prior to the election and listen to what the members needs are. The most obvious is services and programs, but, these only work if the administration is provided with the tools and staff to carry out the wishes of the Anishinaabe. Transparency of key deliverables is a must because this government belongs to the Nation. Key policy around transparency must become part of the working attitude of the administration going forward. Accountability must be part of the services afforded each of the members, so, new interdepartmental policy direction must be reformed and adhered to at all times. Economic expansion of on reserve business must have support from the administration if they are to grow and provide jobs for our growing educated youth workforce. Expansion of summer programs designed to keep our youth in the community during the summer holidays is a priority.

An Elders Services Department should be created so not one of our elders goes without or slips between the cracks, Elders programs can be designed and redesigned to increase participation and success. The formation of an Elders Council should be given strong consideration due to the declining language speakers. But, also, the elders passing of knowledge and cultural teaching to our youth, thus, ensuring our place in our land and way of life is never lost.

It is on this solid foundation of policy and programming direction I can help bring some success to our Nation. I am requesting each and every band members support on election day February 05, 2018 VOTE Kenneth J Daigle Sr. (KJ). I am open for any dialogue discussion please feel free to contact me at 705 541 9668 or to arrange a private consultation visit in the Baawaating area. Miigwetch, in advance for your support and it is my utmost pleasure to serve the people of Batchewana First Nation when elected for the next political term. Most importantly, I would like to say best wishes to all candidates running for Chief and Council in the 2019 Batchewana First Nation Elections.

Baa Maa Pii K.J.Daigle Sr.

# Ronald "R.J." Dalton

Councillor Candidate

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### Batchewana First Nation - Election, 2019

Dear Band Members,

As a Batchewana First Nation member, I am very thankful, honored, and excited to be nominated for council. I welcome this opportunity with the uppermost respect. Once elected, serving you and our community will become my priority and I will happily accept the responsibility.

I acknowledge the hard work and positive developments of our past leadership. I am looking forward to working with the next elected Chief and Council, to continue and add to the momentum. It will take a team of capable and focused individuals working together to provide efficiency and support a strong growing community.

I am proud to represent Batchewana First Nation in any way I can, and I believe my personal background qualifies me to do so. As a decorated combat veteran, along with my past employment experience in both financial and social services, I possess a well-developed professional skillset. I am looking forward to applying my personal and professional values of respect, courage, loyalty, and integrity to the councilor position.

I believe in the prosperity of Batchewana First Nation, and I know I can contribute to a positive tomorrow, and I would appreciate your vote to be able to do so. As a candidate, I am available for further discussion, and when elected, I will continue to make myself accessible. I encourage everyone's involvement in this election, and our community's future. Please remember to vote.

I wish all of the candidates the best of luck. I look forward to sharing my passion and commitment with the next elected Chief and Council.

Thank you.

Ronald "R.J." Dalton

#### **AANIIN**

Good Day Batchewana First Nation membership, my name is Marlene Hewson first of all I would like to thank my nominators Dee -Anna Hewson my daughter and my mother Dianne Jones. I am honoured to be running for a position as Councillor for Batchewana First Nation to serve our communities and the membership in the 2019/2021 term.

I have recently retired after 30 years of service for our First Nation in different capacities and most recently as Economic Development Officer for the last 24 ½ years. I bring forward a wealth of knowledge, experience and education and I ensure you I will not go into this campaign with promises of any sort, however, I will be transparent, accountable and honest with the ongoing present and future business ventures that are being invested in our community with YOUR MONEY. I will ensure that there is extensive community consultation and engagement for you to voice your concerns and provide your input on activities, projects and initiatives to support a strong, sustainable and sound community for our present and future generations. Presently I am aware that the community at large are not being fully informed of meetings and overall initiatives that are being undertaken by our leadership. At a recent public meeting plans and concept designs are underway for a Health Hub estimated at \$30 - 38 million? DID YOU KNOW THIS?

The staff morale is at an all time low. We need to get our community back and rebuild healthy relationships. A healthy work environment is essential to a healthy community. As well, we have non-native employees, Financial Advisor and ABN (Aboriginal Business Network) who are these enterprises and why do we not have Band Members in these positions? We are losing key human resources that leave with valuable knowledge and experience which they have invested in their commitment to work for you the membership, youth, elders of our First Nation that have unconditionally shown care and compassion for our membership, our youth, our elders and our families. They leave us and go to work for outside agencies most recently a lot of medical leaves and early retirement which is leaving some departments in crisis. Where is the sense of COMMUNITY here??? WE NEED TO GET OUR COMMUNITY BACK.

Moving forward, in my years as Economic Development Officer I am aware of issues that are currently happening in our communities.

I believe we as a community need to invest \$ 30 -38 million in the immediate needs of our community and invest our money in the current assets, we posses, and bring it up to standard, fix and preserve what we have, and I would press to address the following immediate concerns, these are not in any specific order:

Wholistic approach to address the staffing concerns and recruitment and having our own people working and employed in our community, which builds capacity, employment opportunities and creates sustainable and healthy lifestyles and independence within our communities.

Potable Safe clean drinking water, and even just too be able to simply bathe our children/babies in clean water, cook our supper, enjoy a fresh glass of water.

Housing - at the minimum 260 Members on a housing wait list which is probably growing, we need to address immediate infrastructure needs, availability of land for development, serviceable lots, new roads, water, sewer,

Blue Heron Industrial Park: Bringing in new business ventures, creating more employment opportunities for our members, creating partnerships, WE NEED REPORTS ON WHAT BUSINESS AND PARTNERSHIPS WE ARE ATTRACTING, WHAT'S HAPPENING???

Increase Housing for our Elders

Expansion of our Teen Centre, encourage physical activities for our youth where they are involved in promoting healthy lifestyles and the youth are actively involved in the centres functions, the youth have a place to go and be productive, whether it be volunteering for/or earning school hours for fund raisers, sporting events, broomball tournaments, baseball tournaments, winter sports, and make it family orientated.

Marles Messon

Respectfully Submitted, Marlene Hewson, Batchewana First Nation

#### December 12, 2018

#### A MESSAGE FROM ADELE MADIGAN (BOYER) (Chigirl):

My responsibilities, as a council member, has been to address child welfare, and the health and social departments of our First Nation. We, on council, are all responsible for our political practices and the governance of all our communities, our lands, resources, and our treaties. We continue to address the return of our rights and lands throughout our territories.

For the past four years, I have been the Batchewana representative on the Nogdawindamin Board of Directors. Nogdawindamin Family and Community Services has been servicing the seven North Shore First Nations in child welfare since 1987. In April of 2017, Nogdawindamin received full agency status. This now opens the door for our people to take full responsibility for the care, and protection of our children and families according to our own traditional values and customs. Unfortunately, we are still mandated under the old child welfare legislature, but we on the board, the Nog elders, our cultural workers, and key management staff have manipulated the current laws to favor our own aboriginal perspectives. Indigenous peoples (Canada wide)are currently working toward developing our own First Nation Child Welfare Laws. In November 2018, Nogdawindamin has launched 2 new pilot projects, the Baby Lucious Neonatal Hub located in downtown Sault Ste Marie, and a Children's Mental Health Services Hub located on the Rankin Reserve.

Our Health Centre has been experiencing numerous difficulties in the past 5- 6 years. To date we are currently restructuring the health department and strategically seeking new funding sources so we can offer our employees more equitable salaries and better benefit packages in order to recruit a qualified committed staff to service our membership. Our aim on council is to enhance our services for our people and to address every aspect of their health care.

Two years ago, I stated my concern for some of the older existing houses on our reserves in dire need of repairs, now is the time to submit your applications for older homes requiring renovations. I also made a statement that our reserves are in need of an advocate worker to provide direct service to our membership for assistance with filling applications for housing/renovation, health forms, band eligibility research etc. This is something we are yet to accomplish.

Once again I will remind you that many changes are taking place within the Canadian Government pertaining to Indigenous Peoples' rights. It has been predicted that both the health and education monies can flow directly to First Nations within the next 5 years.

I sincerely want to thank all those members that voted for me in the last two elections. Our peoples' best interest is my primary concern, and I work hard to address the memberships concerns at the council table. If I am selected again, I will remain committed to serving all of you to the best of my ability.

# **Elect**

# **Brian J. McCoy**

# **For Council**

Greetings fellow members, my name is Brian J. McCoy from Batchewana First Nation Band. First of all I would like to thank Agnes Lidstone and Carolyn Ainslie for the nomination for Council. I currently live within the City of Sault Ste Marie. I have been an active member in our community for several years. I have volunteered on many Committees and served as a Director on many Boards for Batchewana First Nation.

The following is a brief overview on things I wish to address as a Council member:

- -Batchewana Band Industries Expansions and Development
- -Housing development for our members
- -Health expansion and development
- -Cultural and Language Centre construction for our Community
- -Continuation of the Robinson Huron Treaty Honoring's and Court Hearings
- -Education building and strengthening
- -Further development in our Renewable energy projects
- -Small business development and entrepreneurship
- -Community bylaw implementation (pet regulations)

I would like to thank everyone in advance for their support and consideration as a new Council member for the upcoming two years.

Sincerely,

Brian I. McCov

Vote Mark McCoy for council

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Ginew Nini ndishishnikaaz, Mukwa dodem, Batchewana ndoonjibaa.

My given name is Mark McCoy and I live on Rankin Reserve. My parents are Victor McCoy and Pauline Patterson from Wawa. My grandparents are Bill McCoy and Doris McKay from Goulais Mission.

My employment background is that I have worked for the Correctional Service of Canada for 16 years, as a correctional officer. Over the past 5 years, I have worked for Batchewana Health Center, as the Child Welfare Band Representative and as the Native Institutional Liaison Officer (N.I.L.O) at the Algoma Treatment and Remand Center here in the Soo. I currently hold the N.I.L.O. contract at the Algoma Treatment and Remand Center. In this role, I facilitate programs in the jail, help native offenders get into treatment programs and help offenders with child welfare agencies.

My beautiful wife and I have been foster parents for Nogdawindamin Family Services for the past 7 years. I follow traditional native spirituality and live a drug free, alcohol free life.

The platform on which I am asking for your vote and support is that there is a crisis in our communities. Illegal drugs and misuse of prescription drugs in our communities cannot be tolerated. Addictions and the Child Welfare system go hand in hand. Too many of our grandparents are raising their grandchildren. I would like to see a partnership with one of the North Shore treatment centers or a treatment center of our own, in our territory. I would like to see more addictions councillors and mental health professionals at our health center. Along with that I would like to see more assistance from Batchewana Band to help care givers of our youth that are being raised by their Grandparents, Aunties and Uncles.

I would also like to see better pay for our band office administration, and/or more jobs. Having worked for the band I have experienced firsthand that a lot of the staff is not paid at par with their counterparts off reserve. I understand that the staff are not taxed, but the band staff are carrying, in some cases triple the case load of their off reserve counterparts. A common complaint that I hear is that Batchewana members call the band office and they have a hard time getting a hold of someone. The band staff is, in many cases busy helping other members or are at training. With more staff, issues and concerns would be addressed in a quicker time period.

I have spoken with a number of our members and they have inquired about the revenues from the solar farm and wind farm. I would like to see more transparency with regards to our financial situation. I believe with this transparency there would be less rumours. I would also like to see an annual disbursement to our membership, perhaps in December or January. This could help our members with the cost of living, winter bills and/or Christmas.

If elected I would have the best interest of Batchewana First Nations at the forefront, and not individual interests. These are just some of the ideas that I have, and that have been brought to me, that I would like to bring forward and push at the council table while representing Batchewana First Nation.

#### Vote Mark McCoy for council

- Treatment center/Addictions counselling and support for families
- Better pay and more jobs
- Solar and Wind farm annual disbursement of funds to membership
- More transparency/ accountability
- Best interest of Batchewana First Nation members

Chi Miigwetch to Teala Nadjiwon and Jean Syrette for nominating me for council

Chi Miigwetch for your time,

Mark McCoy

# Aanii - Bozhoo - Greetings



My name is Teala Nadjiwon. My spirit name is Sabe-Kwe. I am Turtle Clan. I am a member of Batchewana First Nation. I have lived in Rankin Reserve for most of my life. From an early age, influenced by the work of my mother, Carol Nadjiwon and father, Rolland Nadjiwon - I have always had a keen interest in working towards the betterment for our people and recognized the many social injustices we have collectively experienced. This has instilled a strong passion for advocacy of First Nation rights, improving Indigenous socioeconomic status, and giving voice to our most vulnerable population — the children and youth.

Chi-milgwetch to my nominators for putting my name forward as a candidate in the upcoming elections. It is a great honour to be considered and an even greater responsibility to hold office as a Councillor.

#### I remain committed to Batchewana First Nation.

I have taken a leave as the Director of Human Services to participate in this terms campaign. In my professional experience, I posses over ten years of high-level policy and program development for First Nations and the urban Indigenous community. During that time, I have accomplished many advances for the urban Indigenous community and First Nations. I have participated in social assistance reform, child welfare reform, youth justice reform and health. The most influential moment I experienced was representing Batchewana First Nation in Geneva, Switzerland with regards to the rights of water. This moment was pivotal because I had reached the highest apex of my policy career and it made me wonder — **Are conditions improving at community?** It was this moment, I began the journey home.

I am committed to addressing our challenges, to bring forward membership issues/concerns and to celebrate our successes together with Chief and Council, Administration and Membership on a collective path forward to strengthen Batchewana First Nation from a grass roots level to elevating our status as leaders in the regional, provincial and federal levels. It is my belief that with a strong foundation at the community level, we will be better positioned to respond to the shifting political and socio-economic landscape, to help make sound decisions to move forward on a pathway that will benefit us today and into the next seven generations.

When we consider the concept of seven generations, we look back on our parents, grandparents and great-grandparents who have experienced first hand many of the oppressive results of colonialism and assimilationist policies of the Indian Act, Indian Residential School, Enfranchisement, 60s Scoop phenomena and inequities of funding and services. These systems were established to dismantle our natural safety networks of strong economy, family and community relationships. It was the leaders of their day that fought for many of the benefits we now enjoy. However, it must be acknowledged - there is much work to continue building upon their legacies.

We are a resilient people. It is my belief the prayers of our Ancestors 150 years ago brought us to today. We may experience challenges in our everyday life, but collectively I believe we can come together as a community and nation to experience growth and success. When we consider the future of our children and seniors, it is important to think long-term. In twenty-five years, we will have experienced a whole generation shift with a large senior and youthful population.

#### We need to address the issues today – and I want to work for you and with you.

It should be known that the federal government is on a pathway of devolution of services in the priority areas of health, education, children and families, infrastructure and the creation of a new fiscal relationship.

The end goal of the Department of Indigenous Services is that services and programs will be delivered by First Nations – this includes the design, delivery and control of services. Current work is underway in Health Transformation Agenda, Child Welfare Reform, First Nations control of Education, Infrastructure and Financial accountability. The Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada is proposing the Recognition and Implementation of Indigenous Rights Framework. This particular piece of proposed legislation (slated for 2019 implementation) is unanimously viewed as a flawed process and a threat to our inherent rights. Recently, the Ontario government has undergone the shift from a Liberal government that openly worked towards reconciliation to a Progressive Conservative government that has taken a different approach with criticism from First Nations.

Meanwhile, in our community – our children, individuals and families - cope on a daily basis with unacceptable socio-economic conditions. In Batchewana First Nation, there are a high number of pressing concerns and issues we face in the community today that affect our community well-being.

Wellness from an Indigenous perspective is a whole and healthy person expressed through a sense of balance of spirit, emotion, mind and body. Central to wellness is belief in one's connection to language, land, beings of Creation, and ancestry, supported by a caring family and environment. The spirit causes us to live, gives us vitality, mobility, purpose and the desire to achieve the highest quality of living in the world.

It is imperative that the **Chief and Council** of the day continue to push forward a political position that supports systemic change of ground level conditions, to work towards improvement and quality of life for all our people and communities. Is transparent and accountable to the community. And is invested in our collective future.

#### Now more than ever is there a sense of urgency to focus on and improve community outcomes.

I welcome your candid input and will work towards advancing your concerns through a wellness-based platform that considers all the necessary elements we require to achieve the highest quality and standards – determined with **you**, our **families** and our **community**.

For your consideration, to cultivate critical thinking, I have identified a loose framework consisting of five pillars with principles to help create stability, long term vision and community-based solutions to encourage capacity building, leadership development, resiliency and sustainability.

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I look forward to actively listening to your Voice. Chi-miigwetch for this opportunity.

Aaniin, Greetings

Firstly, I'd like to acknowledge the members that nominated me for a councilor seat for BFN. Thank you Patricia Lesage and Linda Maahs. I contemplated the decision to run for council and was very anxious to do so. But with the support of my family, friends and colleagues, I am encouraged to challenge myself and do it for the betterment of our BFN membership.

I also encourage everyone to get out and vote in this election.

My name is Robin Neveau. I live in Goulais Mission on Batchewana First Nation. I am a proud mother of four; Isaiah, Tasheena, Elijah and Hailey. I am also a grandmother to Nakoma with another grandchild on the way.

I am a Registered Nurse and have been practicing for ten years. I am passionate about the work I do, as a Community Health Nurse and as a Labour/Delivery Nurse at the Sault Area Hospital. I witness new life every day and I see the true beauty of it. I believe we need to nurture those new lives and give them a great place to grow and educate them in both western and traditional ways in order for them to flourish. Our youth need strong families and strong support people behind them so that they can become our future leaders.

A couple of many items that I would like to address at the council table include;

Ongoing support for health issues, programming, and events in the northern communities as well as the off-reserve membership including members that live on other reserves.

Management at the various departments in our administration should have autonomy in making decisions in regards to the positions they were hired for.

Recruitment, maintenance and growth of qualified staff. I see the need to have some updated policies and procedures for hiring and retaining staff.

Greater supports for our membership especially the youth who deal with the effects of addictions, substance abuse, bullying, cyberbullying and other issues affecting mental, spiritual and physical health.

If elected for councilor, I promise the membership that I will work diligently on bringing your requests to the council table and making certain that your voice is heard.

Feel free to reach out to me at any time. call, text, or email.

Chi-Miigwetch,

rneveau@hotmail.com

Robin Neveau

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Aaniin Batchewana First Nation Membership,

It has been a great honour working on behalf of our First Nation for the past 2 years and would like to extend a thank you to the membership for allowing me to be a part of Council.

Substance abuse has hit our community hard and we need to ensure we have the resources necessary to support our youth...they are our future!!! Together as a community we can elicit change and provide a strong network to encourage and help guide them to make the right choices.

This term there needs to be some major changes to our communication model. The membership needs to be informed and provided with quick responses. Finishing the subdivision and providing lots for people to construct new homes not only in Rankin but in all communities, all of which will create jobs for our members at the same time.

We value our elders and it's time to take care of our aging population by working with them to provide more assistance and try to ensure their specific needs are being met.

Being nominated for councillor for the upcoming election, I am committed to a community driven decision making model. I will continue to listen to our community's needs and proactively voice your concerns. I look forward to continuous growth and development in our communities while providing a strong voice in our future. Please consider me for councillor in the upcoming 2019-2021 term when you cast your vote on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Miigwetch,

Gary Roach Jr.

Dear Batchewana First Nation Membership:

My name is Laura Robinson and I am running for office as a Councillor for this upcoming February 2019 Batchewana First Name elections. I have worked with Aboriginal families both on and off-reserve for over the past 30 years. I have had the responsibility of working in a multitude of positions which allowed me to gain experience within the Economic, Social and Health fields.

I have also served on Provincial and regional Boards and am versed in Governance procedures.

I live on the Rankin Reserve with my husband of over 40 years – Harold Robinson. We have 3 grown children and 5 amazing grandchildren. I am very family oriented and have dedicated my work years to the betterment of Aboriginal communities.

Please take the time to vote respectively seek your vote and look forward to serving as a councillor for Batchewana First Nation.

Laura Robinson

# Dan Sayers Sr. - For Council

Greetings to all Batchewana First Nation Community members, it has been two quick years that seem to fly by since the last election. I served the last term as the elected Head Councilor for the community. Over the last two years, I was able to gain clear and concise understanding of the political process that overrules our community and gain valuable knowledge to the insight of Batchewana First Nation operations. As the term proceeded and my comfort level rose, I became more at ease in my role. It was a great learning experience and something that I would love to build off the momentum that was created into and carry them over to the new election of 2019.

This is a great opportunity to say thank you to those who nominated for the upcoming election, Lisa R. McCormick and Harold Robinson. Once again I will be running for office for the sole purpose to continue growing as a community leader and continuing to develop our community for the future.

If elected for this term I will strive to continue our Chief and Council to work together to create a positive atmosphere, provide more in-depth communication to our members with the goal to keep the membership more informed. Working together with Chief and the Council to work for a better, viable and proud community.

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Respectfully,

Dan Sayers Sr.

Ahniin: My name is Melissa Sayers and I have been nominated to run in the upcoming Batchewana First Nation Elections! First, I would like to thank my nominators, Christine Sayers and Linda Maahs. I am honoured for the nomination and their confidence in believing that I can help make a change in our community. I have lived on Rankin Reserve my whole life, and I have worked with First Nation families for the last 22 years. I have gained valuable experience in working with our band member's needs and I have got to see first hand the struggles our members endure within their perspective communities.

Some qualities that I possess that I feel are important and quality attributes that are important to this position are:

- Honesty
- Integrity
- Respect
- Caring
- Empowering
- Supportive

I would like to work in conjunction with the other elected council and all three of our communities to focus on more full time employment positions, economic development, education, social programming, and an elders support program. With inclusion of protecting and managing our resources, mentoring our youth, and practicing and promoting our culture and language. With solid strategic planning, we can accomplish these goals so that all of our communities prosper.

By voting for me, I can help foster a positive environment that will allow the community to flourish. I would also like the opportunity to help promote a healthy community not only by following the holistic approach but also by helping provide quality governance.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me through email at msayers22@hotmail.com.

Miigwetch for your consideration, and please encourage friends and family to vote on February 5, 2019.

- ✓ Elect Leadership
  - ✓ Elect Integrity
  - ✓ Elect Honesty

#### Dear community members of BFN

During my election campaign, I said I would advocate on behalf of those who sought change and I kept that commitment for the past 6 terms. As a councillor, I understand the importance of culture revitalization and preservation of language for future generations. I would also like to focus on a far more progressive council working for the community; one that is advancing many important issues including real action on transparency, and more fair social and economic policies for our people. This will not happen without your support and I will continue to keep my commitment and represent your views within Batchewana First Nation

Miigwetch

Pete Sewell

# AANIIN BOOZHOO KINAWAYYAA GREETINGS HELLO EVERYONE

HOPING THIS FINDS YOU ALL IN GOOD SPIRITS AND GOOD HEALTH AS WE COME TOGETHER AS A COMMUNIY TO MAKE A DECISION AS TO WHO WILL LEED US THROUGH THE NEW TERM OF OFFICE OF CHIEF AND COUNCIL OF THE BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION

WE OFFER OUR ASEMA AND PRAYERS TO THE GOOD SPIRIT TO GUIDE US ALL IN A GOOD DIRECTION AND ENABLE US TO MAKE THE BEST DECISSION AND ASK TO KEEP OURS SAFE AND HAPPY

WITH HOPES AND BEST WISHES TO ALL CANDIDATES I TAKE THE TIME TO SAY MIIGWETCH TO THOSE THAT HAVE SEEN THAT I SHOULD BE NOMINATED FOR THE POSITION OF COUNCILLOR OF OUR COMMNITIES

WITH THE THOUGHT THAT WE CAN PULL OUR MINDS TOGETHER AS WE MOVE FORWAD TO MAKE THE BEST DECISSIONS FOR ALL

THERE ARE SO MANY ISSUES THAT NEED CONTINUED THOUGHT AND GUIDENCE THAT DO HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF US ALL BOTH HERE TODAY AND THE FUTURE OF OUR FIRST NATION LOCAL, REGIONAL, MUNICIPIL, AND NATIONAL

ALL IMPACT OUR LIVES IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE TO INFORM OUR PEOPLES OF THE IMPACTS OR POTENTIAL IMPACTS THESE PROPOSED LAWS AND LEGISLATION HAVE ON THE RIGHTS OF OUR PEOPLE

PROPOSD LEGISLATION SUCH AS THE RIGHTS RECOGNITION FRAMEWORK HAVE BEEN OPPOSED REGIONALY AND NATIONALY BUT WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO INFORM OUR PEOPLE OF THE NEGITIVE IMPACTS THIS TYPE OF LEGISLATION HAS ON THE RIGHTS OF FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE AND THE TREATY

THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO DISREGARD THE SPIRIT AND INTENT OF OUR ANCESTORS WHO NEGOTIATED THE TREATY FROM THE ANISHINABE UNDERSTANDING

IS THE ROBBINSON HURON TREATY INCLUDED IN THE SO CALLED TERMINATION TABLES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

THESE SO CALLED TERMINATION TABLES CONSIST OF GOVERNMENT POLICY SUCH AS THE FIRST NATIONS LANDS MANAGEMENT ACT, THE FIRST NATIONS FINACIAL LEGISLATION ACT, CANADAS SELF GOVERNMENT POLICY, TO MENTION JUST A FEW

CHILD WELFARE IS AND HAS BEEN A CONCERN IT SEEMS AT TIMES THERE ISNT A DAY GOES BY WITHOUT HEARING OF AN INSTANCE REGARDING A CHILD WELFARE ISSUE THE NEED TO CONTINUE TO BUILD DEVELOP AND ENHACE OUR OWN CHILD WEFARE PROCESS IS HERE AND NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED OUTSIDE OF AND ALONG WITH THE EXSISTING CHILD WELFARE PROGRAMS BUT CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT RECOGNIZE OUR OWN JURISDICTION WHEN IT COMES TO THESE MATTERS

THE DRUG PROBLEM WITH IN THE COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO GROW IT HAS BEN TO LONG BEING WITHOUT A STAFF PERSON TO BEGIN TO ADDRESS AND LEND SUPPORTS TO THOSE SEEKING HELP

FINANCIAL TRANSPERANCY /ACCOUNTABILITY OF THE FUNDING RECEIVED FROM OUR OWN SOURCES NEEDS TO BE BROUGHT OUT MORE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS FOR INPUT AND GUIDENCE OF PROGRAM ENHANCMENTS

THE ABOVE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE ITEMS /ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTRE

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MIIGWETCH

VERNON "CHAMP" SYRETTE

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# RE-ELECT LYNN TEGOSH

I am the daughter of Ann Tegosh and Kevin Tegosh. I grew up in Rankin Reserve and I raised my daughter, Grace here as well. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Law & Justice from Algoma University, a Bachelor of Laws from Osgoode Hall, and I am a graduate of the Anishinaabemowin Immersion Program at Sault College. I am a lawyer practicing law in the areas of Family and Child Protection matters.

During my past three terms on council I have worked diligently on behalf of the membership to provide strong leadership, transparency, accountability and fairness. I am committed to working towards resolving outstanding issues facing our First Nation, membership and communities in a timely manner; and making tough decisions when necessary.

I urge membership to come out to council meetings and provide their input, or to contact me directly.

I would like to extend a sincere chi-milgwetch to Melissa Sayers and Christine Sayers for nominating me.

Miigwetch,

Lynn Tegosh

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