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NY Gov. Vetoes Unmarked Grave Act

BY JENNA KUNZE, JANUARY 03, 2023

As the clock ticked down on 2022, New York State Governor Kathy Hochul vetoed a bill that would have protected unmarked burials of Native American ancestors from unintentional excavation. The bill, titled the Protection of Unmarked Graves Act, passed the state legislature unanimously in June. The law would have implemented several measures to protect unmarked graves, including requiring construction be stopped on private property if human remains were encountered; creating a Native American burial-site review committee; and allowing tribes and individuals to seek

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Bowler's New Elementary Principal is a S-M Tribal Member



By Jeff Vele - News Editor

Brandi Dove is the Bowler Elementary Principal. Her family consists of her father, Wayne Burr and her mother, Kim Jurgensen. She also has two daughters, McKenzee age 20, currently in her second year at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

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Forest Update



Thomas Kazik- News Reporter

The combination of the tornado and straight-line winds that came through the reservation in June of 2022 left out forest destroyed. Since then our Forestry team, made up of Forestry employees, Forestry Committee, and Tribal Council, have worked tirelessly to try and control the damage. Tribal Forester Paul Koll has

worked to develop a plan that will develop our forests for the future. There is no exact timeline on when this will be completed but the Tribe is putting its best effort into saving our forest and salvaging what they can.

The storm's damage was catastrophic to our forests, and though there is no science to exactly tell how many acres were

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For almost 38 years; 37 years and 10 months to be precise, the tribal forestry department has been home to Bert Davids. Bert and coworkers from the forestry hydrology department celebrated lunch with Bert on his final day. Best wishes on your retirement.

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Open Call For Forge Project 2023 Fellowship

(Mahicannituck River Valley, NY - January 5,, 2022) — Forge Project, a Native-led arts and decolonial education initiative on the unceded homelands of the Muh-he-con-ne-ok in Upstate New York, is pleased to announce its open call for applications for its 2023 funded fellowship program for Indigenous artists, scholars, organizers, cultural workers, researchers, and educators. The application

will be live starting Friday, January 6, 2023 and applications are due Wednesday, February 15, 2023, by 11:59 PM EST.

About the Fellowship

Forge Project is seeking a 2023 cohort of six Indigenous individuals that represent a broad diversity of cultural practices, participatory research and organizing models, and geographical contexts that honor Indigenous pasts

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Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) volunteers provide FREE Income Tax Preparation Assistance to low-income, elderly, disabled and limited English-speaking people. **We do not provide tax preparation assistance to any businesses.**

Volunteers are certified by the IRS. A website for training and certification is available to potential and returning volunteers at [Link & Learn - Home \(linklearncertification.com\)](http://Link & Learn - Home (linklearncertification.com)). Volunteers need complete at least the basic certification process, which takes about 40 hours to complete to prepare taxes.

Reviewers and Site Coordinator will require additional certification.

Would you be interested in helping others, learning more about taxes, to prepare your own a little better, want to get into tax preparation business, or may have some free time on the weekend that you could spend helping others?

Here are some reasons quoted by past volunteers:

- Satisfaction of helping people who are unable to get tax breaks and benefits they qualify for because they cannot afford to go to a paid preparer for help.
- Get trained in tax law, learn how to interact with the public, and improve own tax returns.
- Enjoy the camaraderie of a group of really nice helpful people.
- Gain experience in preparing taxes to start a new career.

Days of Operation Planned for Feb. 4&5, 11&12, 25&26, and March 4&5, 8am-4:30pm. This excludes the Site Coordinator they will be working additional times before and after the tax preparation days.

We need:

- (2) Tax Preparers available 40 hours stipend @\$18.00

per hour (Five days).

(1) Tax Preparers available 48 hours stipend @\$18.00 per hour (Six days).

(1) Tax Preparer available 64 hours stipend @\$18.00 per hour (Eight days).

(2) Tax Preparers/Reviewers for 64 hours @ \$19.00 per hour (Eight days).

(1) Site Coordinator available 120 hours stipend @ \$20.00 per hour (Thirteen days).

(1) Interviewer/Intake Worker available 40 hours stipend @ \$15.00 per hour (Five days).

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, 715-793-4355, for more information or check out the website: <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/volunteer-training-certification> to complete the on-line certification.

(Event will be contingent on the success of getting qualified tax preparers.)

Express your thoughts and opinions. Let your voice be heard. We welcome your letters to the Editor and the Community.

Community Voices

Letters of opinion can be dropped off at Mohican News in the Tribal Offices or can be mailed to:

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Stockbridge-Munsee Enrollment Update

Currently we are revising:
Enrollment Policy
Standard Operating
Procedures (SOPs)

Forms for requesting
information

We will not be taking walk-
ins, if you come to the Tribal
Offices you should stop by
the receptionist and fill out
a card, with your name,
reason for appointment,
and phone number or
email so we may schedule
an appointment for you.

If you know you will be in
the area during our office
hours, Monday-Friday 8:00

AM to 12:00 PM, 1:00PM to
4:30PM, please call ahead
for an appointment.

Those with enrollment
applications, please be
patient. You will be receiving
a packet in the mail. If you
have any questions please
call our offices.

Thank you for your patience
as we are working to be
more efficient.

(715) 793-3049 Yvette
Malone

(715) 793-4671 Delores
Meek

(715) 793-4677 Alpha
Creapeau

Dove cont from page One:

studying Sociology and
Kyla age 16, a 10th Grade
student at Shawano
Community High School.

Brandi is very proud of
her educational efforts
in her life. In 2010 she
received her Associates
Degree of the Arts from
the Coastal Carolina
Community College
in Jacksonville, North
Carolina. In 2012 Brandi
received her Bachelor's
Degree in Education with a
Minor in Behavioral Studies
from the University of
North Carolina-Wilmington
in Wilmington, North
Carolina. She continued on
with her education and in
2019 she received her
Master's Degree in Applied
Leadership in Teaching
and Learning from the
University of Wisconsin-
Green Bay in Green Bay,
Wisconsin. Then, in 2019
Ms. Dove received her
Certification for Reading
Interventionist from the
University of Wisconsin-
Oshkosh in Oshkosh,
Wisconsin.

She is especially honored
to have served in the United
States Marine Corps from
May 2000 to May 2008.
Her military occupational
specialty (MOS) was a

radio operator. While in
this role she was able to
live abroad in Japan for 12
months. While in Japan,
she also was able to travel
for training operations to
Australia and Spain where
she resided for two months
each.

Job duties included
keeping all radio gear
in operational order and
installing crypto into radios
for use. After moving
back to the United States,
Brandi was then stationed
at Camp Lejeune, North
Carolina. She continued
that assignment until her
first daughter was born.
After her daughter was born
she decided to reenlist for
another four years with her
choice of next duty station
being Parris Island, South
Carolina. While there she
gained another job title as
a range coach, responsible
for the safety of recruits
while on the firing lines at
the range. Soon after she
was given an opportunity
to become a primary
marksmanship instructor
(PMI) and so she went
to PMI school where she
graduated and then began
instructing large platoons of
recruits on marksmanship
skills. These trainings also
included how to shoot at
an unknown distance

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Congratulations!

The Higher Education
program received
confirmation that the
following students
received their degrees.

Delores Castellanos,
Graduate Degree in
Education Instruction

Kenesha Van Boxtel,
Technical Diploma in
Advanced EMT

Family Center Closures

YEP, Gym and Cardio
Room will be closed at
5:00 PM on Thursday
January 26, 2023.

The weight room will
be open until 8:00 pm.

Sorry for any
inconvenience and
thank you for your
cooperation.

Bowler Li'l Cubs Childcare Center

Bowler school is starting a
daycare center within the
school called Bowler Li'l
Cubs Childcare Center
supports a primarily play-
based or child-centered
learning style where chil-
dren are encouraged to be
curious, explore and learn
based on their age and own
current interest through
specifically focused play
designed by BLCC staff.
BLCC fully supports the
idea that children develop
at different rates, that each
child is a unique individual
and acknowledges that not
all children develop at the
same rate.

Lead teachers, with the
help from assistant teach-
ers, will develop weekly
lesson plans that are devel-
opmentally appropriate for
infants/toddlers/preschool-
ers. The lesson plans will
include activities in all the
developmental areas (Do-
mains) including health,
physical development,
communication, early liter-
acy, approaches to learn-
ing and cognition. Staff will
implement the daily lesson
plans together as a team,

making sure each child is
able to participate at their
level. In the lead teacher's
absence, the assistant
teacher should follow the
teacher's plan. The teacher
and the assistant will dis-
cuss the plan after comple-
tion to review what worked,
what goals need continued
activities and what skills
were mastered.

Families interested in en-
rolling their children in the
Bowler Li'l Cubs (Child
Care) Center, or the BLCC,
are invited to contact the
director at 715-793-4101
and set up a time for a
tour and center orientation.
Children enrolling on a full-
time basis (4-5 days per
week) will be given pref-
erence over students who
are enrolling on a part-time
basis (3 days or less per
week). Enrollment will be
done on a first-come, first-
served basis, depending
on how many children the
BLCC is licensed to serve.
The director will review the
required enrollment forms
and provide a brief orienta-
tion to the center.



On the Trail Home



Marjorie Reimer

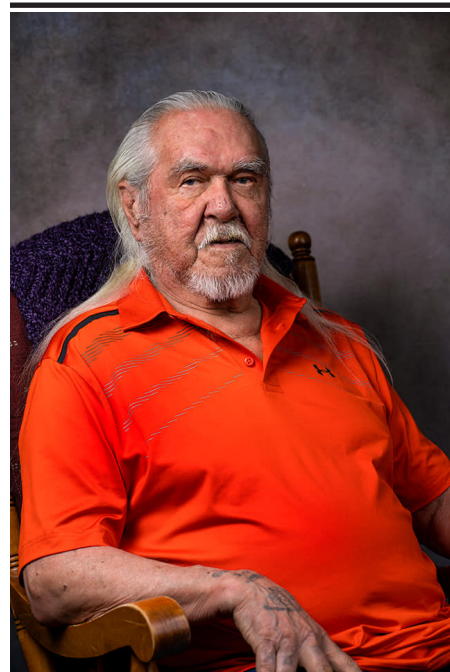
Marjorie "Margie" Reimer, age 96 of Bowler, passed away in Shawano on Sunday, December 25, 2022. She was born on May 4, 1926, in Morgan, WI, to the late Herbert and Ella (Gardner) Stick. Margie lived in Milwaukee and Wausau before returning home to Bowler. She was a member of the Church of the Wilderness.

Margie is survived by her

son, Gary McDaniels of Bowler; her sister, Bette Besaw; four grandchildren, Danny, LeAnn, Derek, and Shanan; numerous great-grandchildren, other relatives, and friends.

She is preceded in death by husbands, Arnold Doxtator and Gerald Reimer; four sons, Roger, Lonny, Ronny and Ricky; as well as her siblings, Howard, Owen, Gordon, Elda, Harvey, Syril, Lena, Leo, and Dave.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, December 29, 2022, at the Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham, with Pastor Paul Johnson officiating. Burial will be in Red Springs Cemetery. Visitation was held at the funeral home in Gresham on Wednesday and on Thursday until the time of the service. www.swedbergfuneralhome.com



Happy Birthday January 22nd to Leroy Stick From the Ella Besaw Center staff

PURCHASED/ REFERRED CARE

If you receive emergency room care, you must call the ER notification line at **1-877-898-4154** within 72 hours or 30 days for elders or disabled with the following information:

1. Patient name
2. Name of hospital
3. Date of service
4. Reason for visit
5. Ambulance, if applicable
6. Additional information

Thank You,
PRC Staff



Cheesy Meatball Casserole March Make & Take 2023

Participants must have access to internet as the Make & Take will be done virtually, sessions will be pre-recorded and sent out prior to pick up.

Ingredients must be picked up on Wednesday, March 15th, at the Veteran's parking lot from 11:45am-1:15pm.

Sign up is February 27th-March 3rd. We will be drawing names for the Virtual Make & Take. We will contact you on March 6th if your name has been chosen.

CONTACT ANITA MIHTUKWSUN TO SIGN UP!
PHONE: 715.793.3018
EMAIL: ANITA.MIHTUKWSUN@MOHICAN.COM

20 families will be chosen to receive free ingredients!

ATTENTION:

Make & Take activities are made possible thru grant funding. Pictures of your completed creations must be submitted to Anita. Pictures are part of the verification of appropriate funding use to our grantor, which allows us to continue to provide this program. Failure to do so may effect your future eligibility.



Sponsored by the SMHWC Community Health Department with funding from SNAP-ED & SDPI grant

Cheesy Meatball Casserole March Make & Take 2023



Ingredients

- 2 lbs (900g) ground turkey
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella
- 1/2 cup grated or shredded parmesan
- 1 egg
- 2 teaspoons onion powder
- 2 teaspoons fresh minced garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon Italian seasoning blend
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh cracked black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon Cayenne pepper, optional
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed red chili pepper flakes, optional
- 1 cup Marinara sauce
- 1 cup shredded cheese of your choice for topping (Mozzarella, Provolone, Monterrey Jack, Cheddar...)
- Fresh basil or parsley, for topping

Directions

1. To prepare the meatballs casserole recipe: Preheat your oven to 400°F (200°C). Lightly spray a casserole dish with cooking spray.
2. Combine ground turkey, mozzarella, parmesan, egg, onion powder, garlic, Italian seasoning, Cayenne, crushed chili pepper flakes in a large salad bowl – except for the Marinara sauce, 1 cup cheese, and fresh basil that are set aside for the casserole. Use a small cookie scoop to form the meatballs all the same size and arrange the meatballs in the casserole dish.
3. Bake your meatballs casserole for 15 to 20 minutes or until fully cooked. Remove the meatballs casserole from the oven and drain the grease.
4. Top with the low carb Marinara sauce and shredded cheese and put the meatballs casserole back in the oven. Bake for an additional 5 to 10 minutes until the cheese has fully melted.
5. Serve the low carb meatballs casserole with a side salad or over zucchini noodles as pictured. Enjoy!



2022 Forge Project Fellow Laura Ortman (White Mountain Apache) performing at Basilica Hudson May 26 as part of its Jupiter Nights series. Photograph courtesy Thatcher Keats.

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as well as build Native futures. Two of these Fellowships will be awarded to members of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians in honor of the peoples whose homelands Forge Project is situated on and to develop projects. Each Forge Project Fellow will receive a total of \$25,000 toward their practice and will have full access to the Forge Project site, libraries, and lending collection of living Indigenous artists during a residency stay of up to three weeks,

The Forge Project space consists of two structures designed by Ai Weiwei in collaboration with HHF Architects. The larger of the two buildings consists of four equal-sized boxes, where Forge Project hosts its public programming, including special-topic talks with Fellows. Parallel to the main building is a Y-shaped building; the upper floor features a circular skylight that illuminates a central art gallery, and houses a fluid living and studio space for Fellows.

2023 Fellows will have the opportunity to present their work to the local Forge Project audience on site as well as a wider

international audience via social media. Fellows will work one-on-one with Curator of Indigenous Programs & Community Engagement Sarah Biscarra Dilley (Northern Chumash) to develop public programming, to make connections and build contacts, and for mentorship during their stay.

About the Jury

The Forge Project Fellowship 2023 applications will be reviewed by a juried panel of six distinguished Native scholars, artists, writers, and former Fellows. The two Fellows from the Stockbridge Munsee Community will be selected in a parallel process by a separate juried panel of three Native experts in their fields including a former Fellow.

Application & Eligibility

Interested individuals can learn more about the application and how to apply via Forge Project's [Submittable page](#). Applicants must be registered members of federally or state-recognized tribe to apply for the 2023 Forge Project Fellowship. The Stockbridge Munsee Community Fellows will have the additional

requirement of applying with a specific project that furthers the initiatives of the Cultural Services Division. For full details, selection criteria, key dates and the link to apply, visit forgeproject.com/fellowship.

- Informational webinar, Friday, January 20, 2023 at 6:30 PM EST
- Applications are due Wednesday, February 15, 2023 by 11:59 PM EST
- The 6 individuals will be announced Spring 2023

Past Fellows

Forge Project's 2022 cohort of six Indigenous individuals represents a broad diversity of cultural practices, participatory research, organizing models, and geographic contexts that honor Indigenous pasts as well as build Native futures. The 2022 Forge Projects Fellows are Catherine Blackburn (Dene); Laura Ortman (White Mountain Apache); Rainer Posselt (Stockbridge Munsee Band of Mohicans); Sara Siestreem (Hanis Coos of The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians);

Tania Willard (Secwepemc Nation); and Ilegvak Williams (Yup'ik).

About Forge Project

Forge Project is a Native-led initiative centered on Indigenous art, decolonial education, and supporting leaders in culture, food security, and land justice. Located on the unceded homelands of the Muh-he-con-ne-ok in New York, Forge Project works to upend political and social systems formed through generations of settler colonialism.

Launched in 2021, Forge Project serves the social and cultural landscape of shared communities through a funded fellowship program for Indigenous culture workers, including those working in food and land justice, law and decolonial governance, and art. Forge hosts Native-led public education and events, a lending art collection focused on contemporary art by Indigenous artists, and art-, land-, and food-based educational programming at the Community Learning Kitchen developed in partnership with Sky High Farm.



Jamie Sanin of Celebrate845 (far left), moderating a conversation between Tania Willard (middle, Secwépemc and settler), 2022 Forge Project Fellow and co-founder of BUSH gallery, and Audra Simpson (right, Kahnawà:ke Mohawk), political anthropologist at Columbia University, for "Anti-Institutions and Indigenous Liberation" at Forge Project Saturday, November 5. Photo by Alekz Pacheco.

NY cont from page One: injunctions against violators.

Gov. Hochul vetoed the bill on Dec. 30 because it fails to “balance the rights of property owners with the interests of the families of lineal descendants and other groups,” she wrote in her veto memo.

According to proponents of the bill who negotiated with Hochul’s legal counsel daily for roughly a week leading up to her veto, Hochul’s staff added an amended clause to the bill that negated its intent.

“We were working up until the day that she vetoed it,” Tela Troge, a member of the Shinnecock Nation of Long Island and the Shinnecock Graves Protection Warrior Society, told Native News Online. “We were going through the hypothetical situation: what if the development of either a residential or commercial project unearthed a mass burial site of 250 individuals — what would the process be?”

Currently, New York is one of only four states—including New Jersey and Wyoming—that does not have a process when burials are unearthed on private property through unintentional excavation. Unmarked grave protection legislation was drafted in Ohio, but it failed to meet the threshold for introduction in the Ohio General Assembly. The new law would have established a legal process that would include notifying a local coroner who would call the state archeologist if the remains were more than 50 years old. The law also would require establishing a link to a present-day Native American tribe and entrusting the remains to that affiliated group, as well as establishing criminal penalties for those who don’t comply with the law.

“We were able to reason with them...that all sides

involved need a process,” Troge said. “The police need a process; the property owner needs a process; the affiliated group needs a process — because it’s not just about Indigenous remains. The remains of enslaved people and Revolutionary War soldiers are also at risk for unintentional disturbance.

“And so (Hochul’s assistant counsel) David Perino was insisting that they could not pass the bill as the legislature intended because the property owner needed to have the complete discretion to remove the bodies or the remains.”

What’s the background?

Over the last two decades, there have been several grave desecrations on Long Island. In 2003, a developer on Shelter Island, off the coast of Long Island, unearthed a mass Native burial site on his property, then built a horse barn over the site.

In just the last two years, a local task force of roughly half a dozen Algonquian-speaking tribes from Long Island has reclaimed more than 150 human remains unearthed by archeologists and museums in Suffolk County — Long Island’s easternmost county — in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Proponents of the law, including tribal members from two separate graves protection groups on Long Island — Shinnecock Graves Protection Warrior Society and Honor Our Indigenous Ancestors, Inc.— have been introducing unmarked burial protection legislation since 2002.

The most recent bill was introduced in 2021 by former state Sen. John Brooks (D-Nassau County).

The offending clause.

Unkechaug Nation Chief Harry Wallace, who lives on the Poospatuck Reservation in Mastic, Long Is-

land, is one of the leaders involved in a decades-long effort to pass legislation to protect unmarked graves. Wallace told Native News Online he was hopeful the law would pass Hochul’s desk before Dec. 31 since it was the first time it passed the legislature.

In August, tribal members began requesting to meet with Gov. Hochul’s team as the end of the year crept closer, and the governor still hadn’t signed the graves protection bill.

Wallace was among a handful of tribal members, lobbying representatives, and senators who met with Hochul’s legal team for about a week through Christmas Day to work through the bill.

Wallace told Native News Online that the governor’s proposal to amend the law negates the entire purpose of the law.

“We thought the bill was a strong bill until they added the offending clause that said that ... if the property owner — that’s a euphemism for developer — that if nothing has been done within 60 days, he can remove the bodies himself,” he said. “You negate the entire process by waiting out 60 days. Nothing happens within 60 days ... they can’t even get a permit within 60 days, but they can remove bodies within 60 days?”

Hochul wrote in her memo that, while she “recognize[s] the need for a process to address the handling of unearthed human remains in a way that is respectful to lineal descendants or culturally-affiliated groups, any process addressing the handling of unearthed human remains that also involves the private property of New Yorkers must appropriately protect both interests.”

‘Money talks louder than respecting human remains’

Gov. Hochul broke records in 2021 during her campaign for New York state governor when she raised \$21.6 million in campaign donations, with the largest checks coming from the state’s largest real estate developers.

Campaign records show that Hochul’s donations included: \$55,000 from Douglas Durst, who oversees a multibillion-dollar real estate empire and chairs the Real Estate Board of New York; \$60,000 from the Rechler family, who owns a leading real estate company in New York; and more than \$400,000 from real estate companies across New York City.

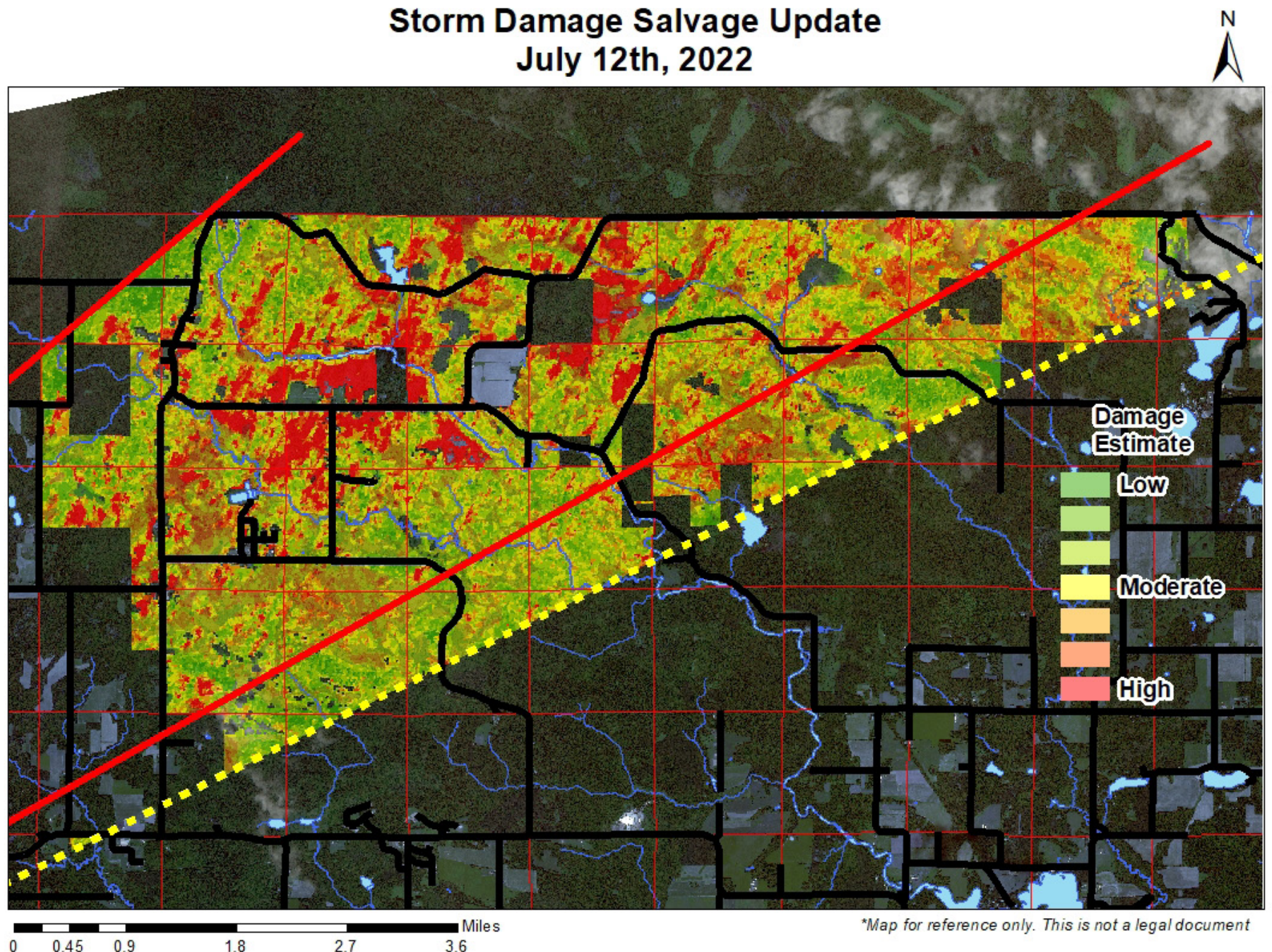
In addition to vetoing the Protection of Unmarked Graves Act, Hochul also vetoed another bill that would have given the Montaukett Indian Nation on Long Island state recognition, which also passed the state assembly. A third bill that would have established an office of Native American affairs never made it out of committee.

“Look what she’s done,” Wallace said. “She vetoed all the legislation relative to dealing with issues that affect Indigenous communities in the state.” Moving forward, Troge and Wallace say that they plan to continue to introduce legislation to protect unmarked burial sites in New York.

“Now, we move forward,” Wallace said. “We try and figure out a way to overcome an anticipated veto. But we’re not going to give up.”

(Reprinted with permission from Native News Online and the original article can be found at: <https://nativenewsonline.net/sovereignty/ny-gov-vetoes-unmarked-grave-act>).

Storm Damage Salvage Update July 12th, 2022



Forest cont from pg One: damaged, the tribe partnered with SilvaCart (a UW-Madison Affiliate), to analyze aerial photos from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. WI-DNR photos were taken in past years prior to the storm coming through and compared to new aerial photos taken just days after the storm. Through boots on the ground work they found SilvaCart's assessment to be amazingly accurate. The tribe is hoping to harvest/salvage 6900 acres of damaged, uprooted timber. The Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) is a government organization that promotes healthy resource conservation practices through funding opportunities. The Tribal Forestry Department partners with the NRCS

on projects like timber marking, timber stand improvements, forest trail construction, aquatic organism passages (culverts and such), native plantings, as well as many other opportunities. The Tribe's Agriculture department also works closely with them to fund projects that otherwise would be beyond our current budget's capabilities. Since the storm the tribe has come up with a timber salvage plan. The recommended treatment across all units is Woody Residue Treatment- #2 Restoration or Conservation treatment Following Catastrophic Events to alleviate insect and disease risks, wildfire risk, and to promote future stand health and regeneration. The Forestry department has broken up the damaged area into

23 units. Each unit is currently being logged or in line to be logged. The tribe has seven different logging companies working right now. This is more than double the logging companies to be on the reservation in a normal year. The following is the Harvest Direction and Order of Removal for all Salvage Units:

1. Salvage snapped, tipped, and root sprung trees.
2. Salvage trees with greater than 50% crown damage.
3. Salvage white ash in effected areas due to EAB which has been confirmed in three locations this year
4. Possibly, Salvage damaged red oak due to increased oak wilt risk within effected areas
 1. Watch for flagging in August and September

to help assess the infection rate and make decisions accordingly; if an infected tree is found, all oak within 66ft should be removed

2. As of September 1st, only a few trees have started to show signs of infections.
5. Harvest all previously marked timber from marked sales within the salvage unit
6. Salvage within the 300ft buffer according to TC direction
7. Salvage within the Upland Reserve according to TC direction
8. Salvage within wetlands so long as it can be done without damage to the soil (reach in and pull out stems)
9. Any areas with assumed residuals below the C-Line (Solomon 1987)

Forest cont on pg Ten:



**STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE COMMUNITY
HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND PLAN**

Assistance available for mortgage, utilities, homeowner's insurance and property tax payments for Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Member Homeowners who have been economically impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

Assistance availability is based on funding provided by the Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) established by the Treasury Department.

Qualifying Criteria:

- Suffered impacts due to COVID-19 pandemic
- Must be an enrolled Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal member
- Must be 18 years or older
- Must be homeowner and provide proof of ownership/mortgage of residence
- Household income can not exceed 100% of the residing county median income
- One applicant per household

**If you meet the qualifications, submit applications to:

Rose Strege - 715-793-4862

rose.strege@mohican-nsn.gov

OR

Rolanda Bierman - 715-793-4860

rolanda.bierman@mohican-nsn.gov

Applications and more information can be found at:

www.mohican.com

Example of 100% Shawano County median income

Household size	Maximum Income
1 Person.....	\$56,250
2 People.....	\$64,250
3 People.....	\$72,300
4 People.....	\$80,300
5 People.....	\$86,750
6 People.....	\$93,150
7 People.....	\$99,600
8 People.....	\$106,000

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**Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF)
Application**

Purpose: To provide relief to Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal homeowners that have been economically impacted by COVID-19 pandemic to assist with mortgage payments, utilities, homeowner's insurance and property taxes. In accordance with the Homeowners Assistance Fund Plan regarding the Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF), applicants must meet the following conditions to be eligible:

Qualifying Criteria:

- Suffered impacts due to COVID-19 pandemic related issue(s)
- Must be an enrolled Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Member
- Must be 18 years and older
- Must provide proof of ownership/mortgage of residence
- One applicant per household
- Household income not to exceed 100% of the residing county median income

Required verifications:

- Copy of Tribal ID/Valid Identification
- Current Utility bill (dated within the last 30 days)
- Proof of all adult household income for the last 30 days (TANF/W2, pay stubs, unemployment, SSI, SSDI, Disability payment, workman's compensation, child support, alimony, veteran's benefits, self-employment, taxes, etc.)
- Mortgage Agreement or Mortgage Verification form must be completed by Mortgage Lender
- Vendor, W-9, ACH forms (To be completed by each business receiving payment)

Example of 100% Shawano County median income

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1 Person.....	\$56,250
2 People.....	\$64,250
3 People.....	\$72,300
4 People.....	\$80,300
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All required verifications MUST be submitted with a fully and clearly completed application. Incomplete applications will not be considered – no exceptions.

Applicant First and Last Name:		DOB:	
Address:		City:	State:
Zip:	County:	Social Security #:	
Phone Number:	Enrolled Member of Stockbridge-Munsee: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		Enrollment No.
Email:		Annual Income:	

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If Applicable:

Co-Applicant First and Last Name:		DOB:	
Address:		City:	State:
Zip:	County:	Social Security #:	
Phone Number:	Enrolled Member of Stockbridge-Munsee: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		Enrollment No.
Email:		Annual Income:	

List all household members that live with you.
(Additional members can be added to the back of the form)

Name	Relationship	Enrollment Number
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
9.		
10.		

Type of Assistance Requesting:

- ___ Mortgage Assistance
- ___ Payment assistance for utilities
- ___ Payment assistance for homeowner's insurance
- ___ Payment assistance for property taxes

I attest/swear that I /my household have experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship after January 21, 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic in the following way(s).

[Please check all that apply]

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless/Displacement | <input type="checkbox"/> Family death/illness due to COVID |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed | <input type="checkbox"/> Increased Childcare needs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laid off/Furlough/Job Loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation cost |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quarantined/Isolation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Company Closed/Less hours | _____ |

By signing this form either manually or electronically I agree that all the statements and attestations are true and accurate.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

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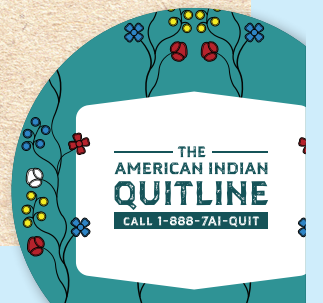
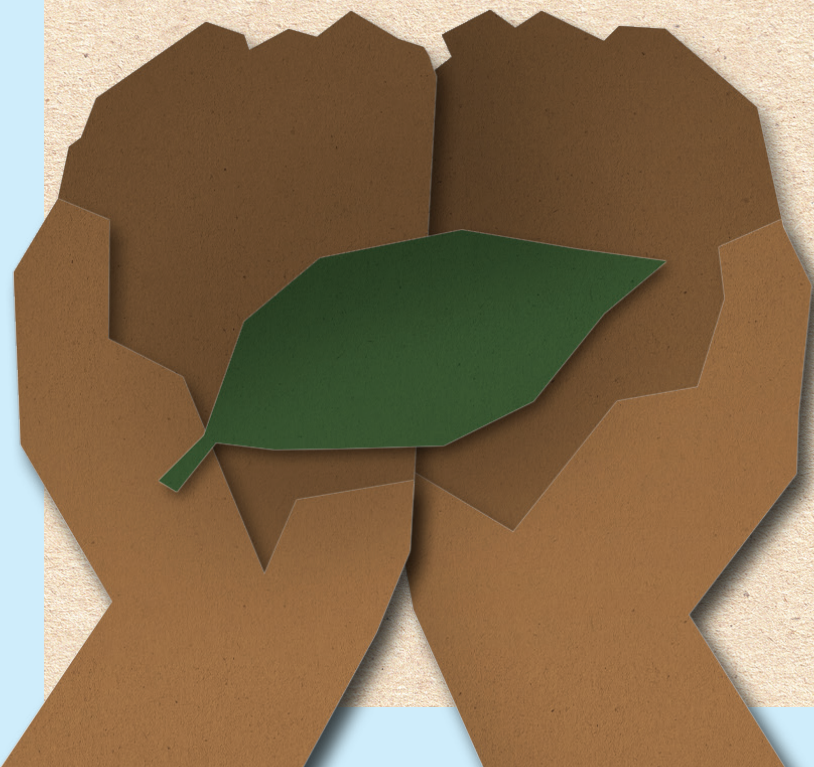
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			1 Interview Tips and Skills 1:00pm-2:00pm	2	3	4
5	6 Menominee Vocational Rehabilitation Program 10:00am - 12:00pm	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 HAPPY Valentine's Day	15 Goal Setting 101 1:00pm-2:00pm	16	17	18
19	20 Sachem's Day OFFICES CLOSED	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	February 2023			

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Forest cont from Seven: should be considered for clear-cut/seed-tree release

1. Northern Hardwood Stands - The threshold will be about 50ft²/ac
2. Hemlock/Hardwood Stands - The threshold will be about 85ft²/ac

A little into the logging history of Wisconsin will help shape the story of where we are at. Before European-American settlement from 1825 until 1880, between 63 percent of the land area would become Wisconsin and was covered with forests. But when Wisconsin opened up to intensive European-American settlement in the early 1800's, things changed. There was an increasing demand on natural resources, and in the late 1860's-after the Civil War, logging became a major part of Wisconsin's economy. The logging industry started around 1840 before Wisconsin incorporated as a state in 1848, At the time more than 80 percent of the state was covered in trees. In the 1890s, loggers thought that they could cut forever without damaging the land. Almost every city located north of a line drawn from Fond du Lac to La Crosse began as a lumber town in Wisconsin. Lumbering improved and expanded transportation facilities. It cleared land for agriculture. It gave employment to settlers and provided a market for agricultural products. It brought money as well as people from other areas and helped populate the state. It fostered the establishment of many secondary industries that used wood as raw material. The logging industry in Wisconsin did a great deal of good for the state as well as the nation. Many of the logs were sawed into lumber at the mills in Eau Claire during the spring and

summer months and were used in the area. Others were strapped together to make big rafts and floated down the Mississippi River to build cities to the south. In fact, lumber from Eau Claire mills helped rebuild Chicago following its tragic fire on October 8th, 1871, and between 1899 and 1904, Wisconsin led the nation in lumber production. Truly, Wisconsin lumber helped build the nation.

Sadly by 1920, they had pretty much depleted the whole state. During those 60 or 70 years they really changed the geography of Wisconsin, building dams, changing the course of rivers, cutting down trees. What was left after the logging? Fields of stumps that needed to be cleared to make room for the state's next big industry, one that gives Wisconsin its identity today: farming.

Today, of Wisconsin's 35 million acres of land, forests cover about 16 million acres, which is roughly 46 percent of the state's total area. The forest industry is among the top ten employers in 48 of the 50 states. Altogether,



This pile of timber is located on Moh He Con Nuck Road. The forest industry boasts an annual national payroll exceeding 26 billion dollars. More than 6 million acres of forested land offer a wealth of recreational opportunities, contain priceless ecological treasures, and provide economic stability for the state. Looking at those lush forests now, it is hard to believe that a view of the same areas around 1900 would have shown a vast wasteland of stumps. It has taken 100 years of time and investments by many landowners, foresters, and leaders to recover Wisconsin's greatest resource from the cutover-abandoned land that was left over after the Cut Over. The Cut Over was the name given to the lands that has been logged off into nothing. In some areas of the reservation the storm removed big pieces of timber and it reminds some of the Cut Over. Tribal forestry is hoping that this salvage plan, alongside working with groups like the NRCS and others, that they can help shape this disaster into something. In some areas the damage almost completely wiped out the timber, in these areas it's almost like a blank slate and with the right forestry management plan we move towards the growth of new timber, like the big timber that once stood in its place.

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Dove cont from pg Three: target, moving targets, moving into multiple shooting positions, and firing successfully with a gas mask on. This assignment lasted until 2006 when she was then assigned back to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. In 2007 she welcomed another daughter and decided that when her current enlistment was up, she would not continue her time in the Marine Corps. She was honorably discharged in 2008 at the rank of E-5 (Sergeant). While in the military, she was awarded the Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal in 2002 and 2008, a Meritorious Mast in October 2004, and she also received the Good Conduct Medal.

After the Marine Corps, Brandi used the GI Bill to attend college and reach her goal of becoming a teacher. She was hired before graduation in December of 2012 and began her teaching career at Meadow View Elementary in Jacksonville, North Carolina where she taught second grade.

In 2014 her grandparents who resided in Shawano passed away and it was then she chose to move close to her family in Wisconsin. After moving back home, Brandi applied and received a teaching position at Bowler Elementary, again teaching second grade. She continued on this path until a literacy leadership position became available, as the district's Reading Specialist in 2018. While

being the district Reading Specialist, Brandi was able to work with all students that needed a little extra help with their reading skills, and she was able to aid the district with choosing an updated and culturally appropriate reading series, facilitated numerous book fairs, and family nights. Brandi also worked with students who spoke English as a Second Language (EL), to become more proficient with English.

In 2022 Brandi again chose to grow in her leadership abilities by applying for and becoming hired as Bowler Elementary Principal. She is still working with EL students, overseeing family night events, supporting teachers in their literacy instruction, organizing testing, and holding data meetings to ensure all students receive what is needed to aid in their educational success.

When Brandi has free time, she enjoys crocheting and selling her items at the Shawano Farmer's Market along with other craft shows, reading various genres of books, running and working out, hiking, and traveling making memories with her family and friends.

She is a member of the Mohican Veterans organization and also enjoys attending Powwows and fundraising events. She is currently the Mohican Veterans Public Relations Officer and also operates the organization's Facebook page along with Larry Hill.

Purchased/Referred Care (PRC)

PRC Staff:

Kasha Coyhis PRC Manager 715-793-5011

Ronni James PRC Assistant 715-793-5010

CJ Komanekin PRC Assistant 715-793-3015



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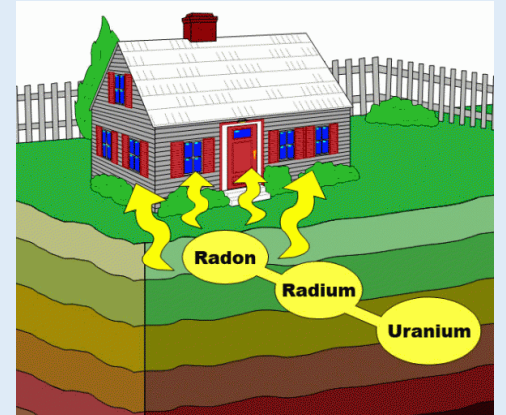
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On Tuesday, December 20th, 2022, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call:

Shannon Holsey; Present
Craig Kroening Jr.; Present
Sara Putnam; Present
Joe Miller; Present
Jeremy Mohawk; Present
Terrie K. Terrio; Present
Randall Wollenhaup Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-
Motion by Joe Miller to approve tonight's agenda as presented. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes, December 6th, 2022, as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Carried.

WTCAC APPOINTMENT-Maria Duits, Agricultural Manager

Motion by Joe Miller to appoint Maria Duits, Tribal Agriculture Agent as the alternate Tribal Representative to the Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council Board. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adopt resolution 011-23, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Councils appoints Maria Duits to serve as the Stockbridge-Munsee Community's representative to the Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council. Seconded by Joe Miller. Resolution adopted.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (for posting)-September 2022 and October 2022-

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the financial statements for posting for September 2022 and October 2022. Seconded

by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

10.1.22 CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT-Rene Montez, Benefits Manager and Joe Zack, Cottingham & Butler

Motion by Terrie K Terrio to accept the updated Claims Administration Agreement and authorize signature which is needed by both parties. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Ccarried.

10.1.2016 CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT-Rene Montez, Benefits Manager and Joe Zack, Cottingham & Butler

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the updated Auxiant agreement and authorize the President or Vice President to sign the document. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

WPS NETWORK CHANGE-Rene Montez, Benefits Manager and Joe Zack, Cottingham & Butler

Motion by Sara Putnam to accept the recommended change for the WPS Statewide Provider Network. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Carried.

UPDATE BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT-Rene Montez, Benefits Manager and Joe Zack, Cottingham & Butler

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the updated Business Associate Agreement which is a legal contract between Auxiant and Stockbridge-Munsee that will receive access to, transmit, or store protected health information and a signature is required by both parties. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Carried.

OCTOBER 2022 GM REPORT WITH FINANCIALS -Tony Granquist, Interim GM

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept the GM's October 2022 report with casino

financials and also bingo financials. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

UPDATED 2022 MITIGATION PLAN AND RESOLUTION-Bill Terrio, Emergency Preparedness Manager

Motion by Joe Miller to adopt 012-23, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes and does formally adopt the Stockbridge-Munsee Community All-Hazard Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan-2022 to be used within the Community as Guidance by the plan for hazardous mitigation. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Resolution adopted.

PERMISSION TO SUBMIT GRANT-Stephanie Bowman, Aging & Disability Services Area Manager

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve Stephanie to apply for the annual grant funding opportunity for Tribal Transportation for the Elders. Seconded Jeremy Mohawk.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Sara yes, Craig yes, Randall abstains, and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

G E O T H E R M A L MAINTENANCE BID SELECTION-Andrew Miller, SMHC Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to honor the request of the Health Director Andy Miller and approve the Geothermal Maintenance Contract to Tweet Garot for a 1-year contract with options to extend for an additional 4 years. Cost not to exceed a set amount for 5 years of service. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina-Shannon Holsey, President

Motion by Joe Miller to adopt resolution 013-23, NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that

the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians, a federally recognized Indian tribe, hereby supports the enactment of HR 2758, a bill to amend the 1956 Lumbee Act and extend full federal recognition to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina formatted into our resolution. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION: Fish and Game Ordinance

Motion by Joe Miller to adopt resolution 014-23 NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby adopts the following revisions to the Fish and Wildlife Ordinance.

- The deletion of the subsection ENV.01.12 (c) (5). Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie abstains, Sara abstains, Craig opposed, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. President votes opposed to break the tie. Motion dies for lack of support.

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-

Forestry Committee-Joel Miller, Committee Member

Motion by Joe Miller to accept Forestry Committee Meeting minutes of December 7, 2022, and approve the recommendations contained within. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 5:49 PM. Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 6:10 PM. While in Executive Session discussion was held on an Employment Contract.

Directives cont on pg 13:

Directives cont from 12:
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Physical Therapist Employment Contract as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Joe Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried at 6:11 PM.

On Tuesday, December 27th, 2022, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call:

Shannon Holsey; Present
Craig Kroening Jr.; Absent
Sara Putnam; Absent
Joe Miller: Present
Jeremy Mohawk: Absent
Terrie K. Terrio; Present
Randall Wollenhaup Present

CALL TO ORDER-

**MOMENT OF SILENCE-
APPROVAL OF AGENDA-**

Motion by Joe Miller to approve today's agenda for the special meeting as presented. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup Motion carried.

HEAD START GRANT EXTENSION-Ginny Rusch, Head Start Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the head start application. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

CASINO EXTERNAL AUDIT-Gaming Commission
No action as this time.

ELLA B GMP PRICE CHANGE-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrie K Terrio to increase the Ella Besaw Construction Guaranteed Maximum Price. The new guaranteed maximum price includes a contingency amount. The increase in cost will be taken from IHS provided ARPA funds designated for maintenance improvement, leasing, construction, and purchasing. The rest

will be taken from Tribe's remaining ARPA funds. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

RFP POSTING FOR PROJECT MANAGER-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Joe Miller to approve and post an RFP for an owner's representative to provide coordination and oversight of construction of the new Ella Besaw Center building. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Joe Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 10:15 AM.

On Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call:

Shannon Holsey; Present
Craig Kroening Jr.; Present
Sara Putnam; Present
Joe Miller: Present
Jeremy Mohawk: Present
Terrie K. Terrio; Present
Randall Wollenhaup Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Motion by Joe Miller to approve tonight's agenda as amended. Seconded by Terrie. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes, on December 20th, 2022, as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Special Tribal Council Meeting minutes, on December 27th, 2022, as presented. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Roll call: Joe, yes. Terrie, yes. Sara, abstains. Craig, abstains. Randall, yes. Jeremy, abstains. Motion

carried.

DONATION REQUEST-FRESH Project- Jo Ann Schedler and Barbara Mendoza

Motion by Joe Miller to honor the donation request for The FRESH Project.

Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Tribal Opioid Litigation Settlements - Bridget Swanke, Senior Counsel

Motion by Sara Putnam to adopt resolution 015-23, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE TRIBAL COUNCIL that the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Tribe pursuant to the Settlement Agreements, and acting through the authorized law firm, SKIKOS CRAWFORD SKIKOS & JOSEPH, LLP, hereby elects to participate in the Five Settlements and become a Participating Tribe as defined therein, and release all Released Claims against all Released Entities as defined therein; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SKIKOS CRAWFORD SKIKOS & JOSEPH, LLP is authorized to submit the Tribal Participation Forms attached to this Resolution as Exhibit E on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Seconded by Joe Miller. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION: BIA Invasive Species Program Grant-Randall Wollenhaup, Wildlife Biologist

Motion by Terrie K Terrio to adopt resolution 016-23 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes the acceptance of the FY 2023/2024 BIA Invasive Species grant funds. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Resolution adopted.

FORGE PROJECT - Monique Tyndall, Dir. of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the Tribal President to sign the letter of support for the Forge Project "Fellowship for Stockbridge-Munsee Community Members." Seconded by: Randall Wollenhaup. Motion Carried.

MOHAWK HUDSON LAND CONSERVANCY -Monique Tyndall, Dir. of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Tribal President to sign the letter of support for the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy Land Acknowledgment. Second by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

FQHC FY2016 CLOSEOUT - Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio for approval to accept the FY16 FQHC audited results from Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

Housing Conveyance to Home Owner Program -

Motion by Terrie to convey big lake property, to the home loan program. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 5:19 PM.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 5:48 PM. While in Executive Session discussion was held on an employment issue and human services request. No motions are needed for these items

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to adjourn. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 5:48 PM.



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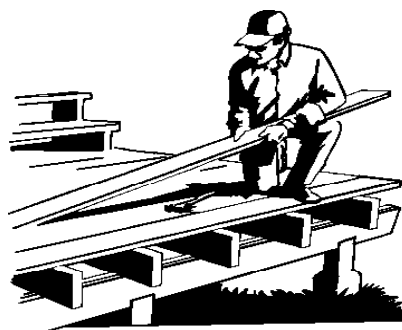
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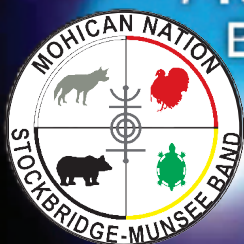
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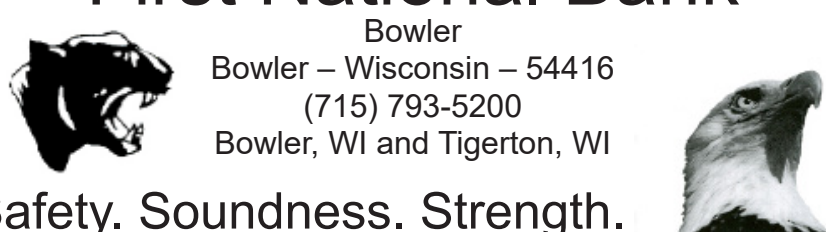
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