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Community Members Share their Stories in the Homelands



By: Kendra Knisley

Last summer, The Trustees of Reservations were honored to host a speaker series featuring Stockbridge-Munsee Community members at the Mission House in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. These programs invited the public to engage with living histories, personal experiences, and enduring cultural traditions. The speakers included Rick Church, Jo Ann Schedler, Judith Ann Hartley, and Travis Spice. A fifth program with Jeremy Mohawk has been rescheduled for spring 2026. Each talk offered a distinct perspective on Stockbridge-Munsee history and contemporary

life. Rick Church explained how his writing reflects a deeper, more authentic understanding of Native identity today, shaped by his lived experiences as a combat veteran and Tribal police officer.

Jo Ann Schedler, another veteran, honored the bravery, sacrifice, and legacy of Mohican warriors who served during the Revolutionary War.

Judith Ann Hartley shared personal reflections of her life on the reservation, weaving her own story into the broader history of the Mohican People.

Travis Spice detailed how traditional hunting, fishing, and gathering practices continue on the reservation today, the wildlife and plants harvested, the seasonal knowledge that guides these practices, and the careful stewardship that sustains natural resources for future generations.

Jeremy Mohawk's upcoming talk will explore language revitalization efforts, emphasizing how this work is not only about learning words but also reconnecting with the natural world and Indigenous identity.

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Jeff Vele retires after 26 Years



Respectfully Submitted by Jeff Vele

I am happy to announce my retirement from the Mohican News. I went to Tribal Council on the second of February and received a tribal blanket and thanks from Tribal Council. The date was significant because it made it just over 26 years from when I started in the paper in February 2000 to when I retired.

It's hard to even begin to thank all of the wonderful readers that I have met over the years. And, it is hard to imagine all of the readers that have gone home over the years. As I part ways, I think back to the first editorial I wrote. It was themed 'not bad for a carpenter'. When I started in the paper I did not know about putting the paper together. I knew how to write and I knew how to expand and expound on an article, story, or idea. My sister Jeano, God bless her soul, said, "Brother, you are perfect for the newspaper

because you sure do know how to make a short story long".

Well, I knew how to put the paper together and loved doing it for all those years. I firmly believe the thing I am most proud of is that in the 26 years that I did the paper, I never missed a deadline.

I told Thomas Kazik II that when I knew he was comfortable with doing the paper that I was going to get out. So here we are, I am getting out.

I just told some people; I'm not sure what I'm going to be doing with the rest of my life. But one thing that I am sure of is that I will not be doing the Mohican News. Thank you so much for your support and your encouragement and love for the Mohican News.

They say when you love what you are doing, you will never work a day in your life. It has truly been a pleasure not working a day in the Mohican News for the last twenty-six years!

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February is Children's Dental Health Month

Creating and maintaining good oral health habits during infancy and early childhood help set a foundation for good oral health later in life. Oral health is about more than a great smile. The health of a child's mouth can affect their growth and development, behavior, as well as social interactions. It can also affect speech, language, learning, and cognitive development. Children learn healthy habits from their parents and caregivers, so it is important to lead by example.

10 Tips for Keeping your Child's Teeth Healthy

1. **Clean little mouths after each meal.** For babies without teeth, wipe their gums with a clean, damp cloth after each feeding. After the first tooth breaks through, switch to

a soft-bristled toothbrush with a rice-sized smear of fluoride toothpaste. Around your child's first birthday, brush twice a day for two minutes each time. Supervise kids younger than six while brushing to make sure they are brushing well and not swallowing toothpaste. Once your child's teeth touch, start flossing!

2. **Do not put your baby to bed with a bottle.**

The sugars found in breastmilk and formula linger on teeth, causing tooth decay. No other liquids should be placed in a bottle other than breastmilk or formula, unless indicated by a doctor.

3. **Avoid sharing germs.** Tooth decay-causing bacteria can be passed from mouth to mouth. Avoid sharing utensils, cups, or putting a pacifier in your mouth and then giving it to your child.

4. **Introduce a cup around your child's first birthday.** Transition your

child from a bottle to a lidded cup around 12 months of age. Sippy cups can affect oral development (ex: speech, language, and feeding skills), so be mindful of the cup you choose. While transitioning from a bottle to an open cup, a good option is a lidded cup with a soft straw.

5. **First tooth, first birthday, first dental visit.**

Take your child to the dentist for their first visit after their first tooth has erupted or when they are one year old, whatever comes first. Then, schedule regular check-ups every 6 months or as recommended by your dentist.

6. **Skip the sugary drinks.**

It's not recommended for babies under 12 months to have juice. After that, limit juice to 4 ounces per day and dilute them with water. Avoid drinks with added sugar, especially carbonated beverages, which damages

tooth enamel. Juice is not a requirement in a healthy diet.

7. **Water is best.** Not only is it the healthiest drink for teeth, it also helps maintain saliva flow and washes away decay-causing bacteria.

8. **Limit sticky fruits and treats.** They can cling to a child's teeth and give mouth bacteria a feast!

Limit foods like raisins, dried fruits, gummy candies, fruit roll-ups, etc or try to brush or rinse with plain water after eating them. Make oral health a priority in childhood to create healthy oral habits for life!



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

Community Voices

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The same information will be required to ensure PRC coverage.

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

Gresham Scholarship Fund

22nd Annual Banquet

Saturday March 28th, 2026

The Woodland Restaurant
Gresham, Wisconsin

Time: 4:30 P.M. Reception and Raffle Ticket Sales
6:00 P.M. Dinner

Program: Barb (Welk) Mendoza - Gresham HS Graduate - class of 1978

Please check one of the following:

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Credit cards will be accepted at the event, for a service fee.

Tickets for the event WILL NOT be available at the door; you must have a paid reservation by March 24th.

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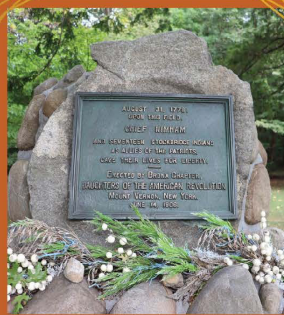
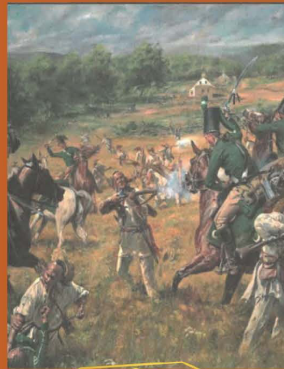
Gresham Scholarship Fund Banquet
P.O. Box 102
Gresham WI, 54128

Any questions - please contact: Bob Klopke (715) 787-3386

**THE STOCKBRIDGE MILITIA &
THE BATTLE OF KINGSBRIDGE
TRIBAL SURVEY PROJECT
FINDINGS FROM THE FIELD**

The 1778 Revolutionary War Battle of Kingsbridge in the Bronx is a pivotal event in Stockbridge-Munsee history. What is less known is evidence of what actually happened and resting places of Daniel Ninham & other ancestors.

Hear preliminary findings from metal detection, search dogs and other recent archaeological survey work led by SMC Tribal Historic Preservation. Share your input into plans to preserve and honor these sites and ancestors.



Presented by
Dr. Jeff Bendremer,
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

in-person only.
everyone welcome!

**Weds., Feb. 18th
5:00-6:00 PM**

Mohican Veterans Lodge
W12790 Hwy Cty. A, Bowler WI

QUESTIONS? THPO@MOHICAN-NSN.GOV OR 715-861-2254

**INDIGENOUS
ARCHAEOLOGY**

Join for an overview of the changing field of archaeology: the popular public perception of archaeology & the modern laws and Indigenous protocols used by your SMC Tribal Historic Preservation team.
In-person only. Everyone welcome!

Presented by Sara Restrepo,
Program Coordinator

**Thursday, Feb. 19
5:00-6:00PM**

Arvid E. Miller Library/Museum
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54416

Questions?
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Flu antivirals: What to know and when to use them

With flu activity surging, so are the questions, falsehoods, and concerns about antivirals. Some of the misinformation out there on social media is really off the wall. Its understandable if your child or loved one is sick, you want to do what's best for them. Here are some facts to help you decide. Here's what antivirals can do:

- Shorten illness (how long you're sick) by about one to two days (potentially three days in young kids when started within 12 hours of infection)
- Reduce severity of symptoms (how crappy you feel) and risk of certain complications (e.g., ear infections in kids)
- Reduce risk of death in high-risk groups (especially older adults)
- Prevent flu after a known exposure (if someone in your household has the flu, taking antivirals right away can cut your risk of symptomatic flu in half)

Here's what they *can't* do: work magic if you wait too long. These medications work best when started **within 48 hours of symptom onset**, though people with severe illness or high-risk conditions may still benefit even if treatment starts later. If you are at increased risk of severe flu and you are exposed to it, you should not wait until you have severe symptoms before requesting antivirals—the earlier they are taken, the better off you will be.

The most commonly

prescribed antiviral for flu is Tamiflu (oseltamivir). Like any medication, flu antivirals can cause side effects, but for most people, they're mild and temporary. The most common issues are gastrointestinal, especially nausea and vomiting, particularly with Tamiflu. Taking it with food can help. Headaches can also happen. Serious side effects are rare, and most people complete the five day course without needing to stop the medication. For most high-risk people, the benefits of preventing flu complications outweigh these potential side effects. Not everyone with the flu needs an antiviral. For many healthy older kids and adults- rest, fluids, and fever reducers will get you through just fine. Adding a medication that might cause nausea, or vomiting isn't always worth it.

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) recommend antiviral treatment for:

- Anyone hospitalized with flu
- Anyone with severe or worsening illness
- Kids under 5 (especially under 2)
- Adults 65+
- Pregnant women
- Anyone who is immunocompromised
- People with underlying conditions like asthma, diabetes, or heart disease

Contact your healthcare provider with questions about treatments or reach out to the Triage line 715-793-5087

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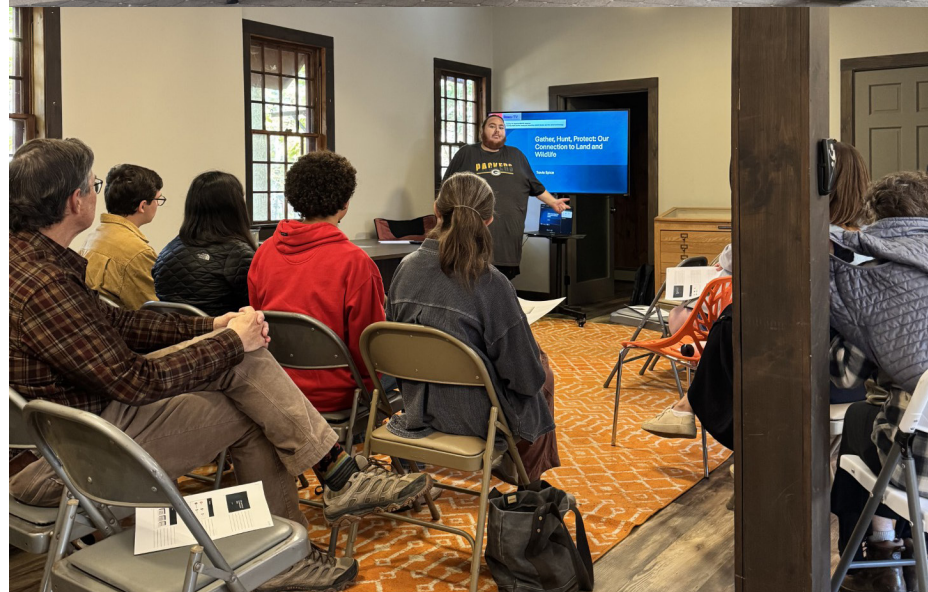
In total, about 100 people attended the talks and feedback was overwhelmingly positive. We were delighted to have family members of the speakers in the audience as well.

We are incredibly grateful to all the speakers for sharing their stories, their knowledge, and their

time with us and hope to welcome more community members for future programs. Thank you also to Bonney Hartley, Sherry White, and Nikole Pecore for their assistance in organizing these talks.

Contact Info: Kendra Knisley, 1 Sergeant Street, Stockbridge MA, 01262, 617.542.7696

Pictures to follow.



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- If filing jointly, both spouses must attend

Please call to schedule an appointment:

Crystal Malone 715-793-4032
Tara Bierman 715-793-4862
Rolanda Bierman 715-793-4832




On Tuesday, January 20th, 2026, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call

Shannon Holsey; Absent
William Miller; Present
Crystal L Malone Present
Terrie Terrio; Present
Ella Kazik; Present
Terrance Miller, Jr. Present
Rainer Shooter; Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-STRIKE: Recycling Ordinance

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve Regular Tribal Council agenda for Tuesday, January 20th, striking the Recycling Ordinance. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve Tuesday, January 6th, 2026, Regular Tribal Council Meeting min-

utes. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

MOHICAN FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ORDINANCE-Bridget Swanke, Legal

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve resolution #018-26, Now Therefor Be It Resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby adopts amendments to the Mohican Fair Labor Standards Ordinance, EMP.03, that include the following.

- A m e n d i n g EMP.03.02 to clarify the Authority and Jurisdiction statements and EMP.03.03 to clarify the independent contractor, Tribe, and work week definitions.

- A m e n d i n g EMP.03.04 and EMP.03.05 to clarify compensation standards for hourly and exempt employees and EMP.03.08 to clarify that tipped employees may have a separate wage rate.

- Deleting EMP.03.11

that provided hourly employees option of receiving compensatory time instead of overtime pay.

- Deleting EMP.03.12 that had set a different overtime standard for law enforcement officers.

The Tribal Council did meet with them. This has been posted for 30 days and there were no comments.

Be It Further Resolved, the Tribal Council directs that the amended ordinance be submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for approval.

Be It Finally Resolved, the amended ordinance will be effective October 1, 2026, if approved. Seconded by Terrance Miller.

Roll Call: Rainer abstains (*directly affects department he supervises*), Terrie yes, Crystal yes, Ellie yes, and Terrance yes. Resolution adopted.

CYBER SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLC-GP) CYCLE 2 FUNDING-Yohan Sengkhamee-Director of Cyber Security and Network Operations

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the grant approval to apply for a grant from the State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Cycle 2 Funding Round 2. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

CHANGE ORDER #2-AG FARM BUILDING-Maria Duits, Agriculture Manager

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the change order #2 to include bonding expense in Tribal Farm Wash/Pack Building Project Budget. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Motion maker amends motions: to say correct dollar amount. Second concurs. Motion maker amends motion: to remove including bonding expense. Second concurs. Motion carried.

STATE OVERDOSE PREVENTION PROGRAM FUNDING-JoAnn Schedler, Community

Health

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Stockbridge-Munsee proposal for Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology (GLITEC) Grant for the "Overdose Prevention Program" (ODP). Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

2026 CAREGIVER CONFERENCE-Melissa Pennass, Aging & Disability Area Manager and Briana Terrio, Memory Care Specialist

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the attached budget and allocate the funds into the Dementia Care program budget into program activities. with the understanding that you might not use all of that because there will be outside funding to come out of Unallocated funds. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

GLITC COMMUNITY CHILDREN BOOKLETS-Nikole Pecore, Language Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the translation in Munsee and Mohican for GLITC booklets publication as a resource for Head Start, Childcare Center, Social Services, Library-Museum, Family Services, and local Public Schools. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

POLICY LE-01.14.00 & LE FORM 28-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Ellie Kazik to approve Policy LE01.14.00 and form LE 28. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

BOX BLADE FOR CASINO PARKING LOT-Willy Miller, Roads Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the purchase from Fabick Cat of a 16' box blade for the casino lot from Unallocated funds and it is a Non-Competitive Procurement because it

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March is National Nutrition Month

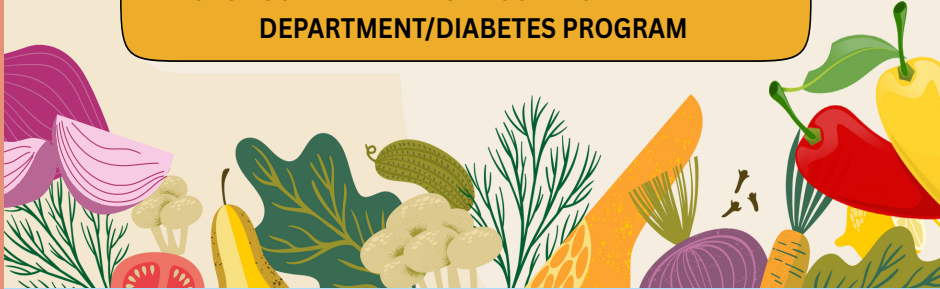
Community Luncheon

Taste testing event

Join us to sample some new and fun ways to prepare fruits and vegetables! During this event you will taste various recipes and learn about nutrition tips and tricks!

MARCH 19TH, 2026 12-1PM SMHWC CONFERENCE ROOM

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Saturday,
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2026

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Contact Vi Azzolina with any questions at 715.793.3018 or email violet.azzolina@mohican.com

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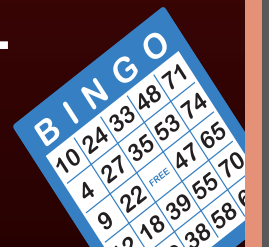
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We will be open from 8am to 7pm
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We have a right to modify or cancel the event at
anytime



Logo designed by
Kayla Pecore and
was picked by our
community

Directives from page 5: will fit on vehicles we already have and is the only one available. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

Roll Call: Rainer abstains (*supervises department*), Terrie yes, Crystal yes, Ellie yes and Terrance yes. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried at 5:42 PM.

Motion by Crystal Malone to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 6:13 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Commission Discussion. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to lift the pause off the Fire & Police Commission. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Terrance Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried at 6:17 PM.

On Thursday, January 22nd, 2026, 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
William Miller; Absent
Crystal L Malone Present
Terrie Terrio; Present
Ella Kazik; Present
Terrance Miller, Jr. Present
Rainer Shooter; Absent

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve for the agenda for Thursday, January 22nd, 2026. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Immigration Authority

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adopt #019-26, Now

Therefore Be It Resolved, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council intends to exercise the fullest extent of its sovereignty to protect tribal members and other persons living on Stockbridge-Munsee tribal lands through the following:

1. The Stockbridge-Munsee Community requires all ICE agents – or those acting under ICE supervision or direction – to engage in meaningful consultation with the Tribal Council prior to entering or taking any action on tribal land.

2. The Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal President, Tribal Vice-President, Senior Legal Counsel, and Chief of Police are the only tribal officials authorized to communicate with ICE on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Government. All such communications shall be thoroughly documented.

3. In the event ICE agents enter tribal land, or in the event that state or county law enforcement enter tribal lands on behalf of ICE, no such federal agents or other law enforcement officers may enter any private property or workplace without a valid and signed judicial warrant. Consistent with federal law and the Stockbridge-Munsee Bill of Rights Ordinance (GOV.01.01(b)), tribal members and other Native Americans retain the right to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures.

4. The Tribal Council has established a hotline telephone number for tribal members to call if they need to confirm their identity as a Stockbridge-Munsee tribal member.

Seconded by Terrance Miller. Resolution adopted.

EMPLOYEE IMMIGRATION AUTHORITY PROTOCOLS-

Motion by Terrance Miller to instruct operations management to create internal policies and procedures relating to responding to immigration enforcement and or auditing activities within the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

CITIZEN MAILING-

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to facilitate and accomplish the citizenship mailing in regard to what we approved today. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Terrance Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 2:35 PM.

On Tuesday, February 3rd, 2026, 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
William Miller;(ArrivedLate)
Crystal L Malone Present
Terrie Terrio; Absent
Ella Kazik; Absent
Terrance Miller, Jr. Present
Rainer Shooter; Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-STRIKE:

Email Use Policy
Housing Board
Meeting Minutes

MOVE: Conner Prairie MOU and Vassar College MOU under Public Safety Capital Purchase

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the meeting agenda for Tuesday, February 3rd, 2026, as amended by the Tribal President. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes from Tuesday, January 20th, 2026. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller

to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting minutes from January 22nd, 2026. Seconded by Crystal Malone.

Roll Call: Terrance yes, Crystal yes and Rainer abstains (*not present*). Motion carried.

DONATION REQUESTS-Potawatomi Trails Powwow-Estelle and Floyd Silas

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve Potawatomi Trails Powwow donation request for the feast at the powwow to come out of Donations. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

American Cancer Society, Relay for Life-Jenny Mailahn

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the donation to the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life of Menominee and Shawano Counties. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO USE TRIBAL SEAL-Maria Haskins, Wisconsin Native Vote

Motion by Terrance Miller to allow the use of the tribal seal in association with Wisconsin Native Vote and Voices for an educating event. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

NRCS 2022 WOODY RESIDUE TREATMENT MODIFICATION-Paul Koll, Forestry

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the modification to the 2022 NRCS Woody Residue Treatment involving 384 contract to reconcile and extend the contract for the remaining portion until 2027. This is for the Village Sale 58.7 acres. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

NRCS APPLICATION EQUIP MARKING-Paul Koll, Forestry

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve for the application of funds for NRCS

Directives cont. on pg 13:

Directives from page 8: funds to mark 23 acres for a future harvest. The funding request is to offset Tribal Contributions using 2025 NRCS payment rate. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

(Vice President Miller arrived to the meeting at 5:24 PM)

PUBLIC SAFETY CAPITAL PURCHASE-Bradley Rabideau, Chief of Police Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the purchase of the 2 trucks as budgeted for and have a follow-up meeting regarding the request for the 3rd vehicle using remaining funds. Seconded by Crystal Malone.

Motion maker amends motion: to schedule a meeting to discuss the request for the 3rd vehicle truck purchase. Second concurs.

Roll Call: Terrance yes, Crystal yes, Willy yes and Rainer abstains (*supervises department*). Motion carried.

CONNOR PRAIRIE MOU-Robin Maxkii, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the President or Vice President's signature of the MOU with Conner Prairie Museum in Indiana for Lenape exhibit consultation. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

VASSAR COLLEGE MOU-Robin Maxkii, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Terrance Miller to authorize the President or Vice President to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Vassar College. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

NOVEMBER 2025 GM REPORT WITH FINANCIALS-Tony Granquist, General Manager

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the November 2025 GM Report with Financials. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

DECEMBER 2025 GM

REPORT WITH FINANCIALS-Tony Granquist, General Manager

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the December 2025 GM Report with Financials. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Pine Hills Golf Course Superintendent-Tony Granquist, General Manager and Jeremy Pennewell, Pine Hills Manager

Motion by Willy Miller to approve the revisions to the Pine Hills Golf Course Superintendent job description as presented. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

WATER SOFTENER SYSTEM REPLACEMENT-Tony Granquist, General Manager

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the funding for replacement of the Commercial Water Softening System at the casino resort based on the acceptance of the bid provided by Diamond H2O and Tweet Garot Mechanical Incorporated using Future Enterprise Improvements: Account ending in 7634 established by the tribe at Key Bank for needed improvements at the casino resort. Seconded by Willy Miller.

Roll Call: Terrance abstains (*was part of the development process of the RFP*), Crystal yes, Willy yes and Rainer yes. Motion carried.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION LETTER FOR THE SMHWC-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve Tribal President or her alternate to sign a letter to the clinic identifying that the Stockbridge Munsee Health and Wellness Center provided ongoing communication with Tribal Council including the annual summary of operations. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

PURCHASE RADIOLOGY EQUIPMENT-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director Tabled

POLICY UPDATE-LASER EYE SURGERY-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the changes to the Laser Eye Surgery policy at the Stockbridge Munsee Health and Wellness Center. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

BAYLAND CHANGE ORDER #5 AND #6-Daniel Burr, Project Manager

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve Change Order #5 from Bayland Buildings, Inc. and Change Order #6 to come out of the project contingency. Seconded by Crystal Malone.

Roll Call: Terrance yes, Crystal yes, Willy yes and Rainer abstains (*on the Project Team*). Motion carried.

BOARD/COMMITTEE MINUTES-

Forestry Committee-

Motion by Terrance Miller to accept the Forestry Committee Meeting minutes from January 13th, 2026, and approve all actions contained and recommended therein. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to accept Forestry's Special Meeting minutes from January 27th, 2026, and approve all actions as recommended and contained therein. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

Land Committee-

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the regular meeting minutes of the Land Committee for Thursday, December 18th, 2025, and all actions taken within. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS-

Motion by Willy Miller to appoint Mark Church to the Elderly Steering Commit-

tee. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried.

Motion by Rainer Shooter to appoint John Davids to the Ella Besaw Community Advisory Committee and to post for one additional vacant position. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

OPEN SESSION-

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Willy Miller to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Crystal Malone. Motion carried at 6:12 PM.

Motion by Crystal Malone to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Rainer Shooter. Motion carried at 6:51 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on an Internal Audit, ICW Matter, Personnel Matter, Oversight of a Board/Committee appointment.

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the recommendation from Child Protection Board and ICW as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Willy Miller.

Roll Call: Terrance yes, Crystal abstains, Willy yes and Rainer yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the internal audit as presented by the Internal Auditor. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Rainer Shooter to approve the contract as presented in Executive Session. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Rainer Shooter to amend the previous motion appointing John Davids and would like to add Melissa Penass for the 2 terms for the Ella Besaw Community Advisory Committee. Second concurs. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Willy to adjourn. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried at 6:55 PM.



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