A return to the past: Monument Mountain set to revert back to Mohican stewardship

A state grant will fund the return and implement tribal land strategies to combat climate change.

Massachusetts Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll (right) announces the award of a $2.6 million grant for the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans to reclaim their Indigenous homelands, including the stewardship of Monument Mountain. With the return of the parcels, the Mohican tribe will be responsible for implementing tribal conservation and forest management strategies to combat climate change. Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans President Shannon Holsey (left) listens to the speech before addressing the Stockbridge, Mass. crowd. Photo by Leslee Bassman.

BY LESLEE BASSMAN
POSTED ON 08/30/23

Following today’s historic Stockbridge announcement by Massachusetts Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll, Monument Mountain will once again belong to the Indigenous people that settled the area centuries ago.

“The North slope of the land now known as Fenn Farm on Monument Mountain will once again be stewarded by the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of the Mohican Nation,” Driscoll said to a packed Stockbridge Town Hall, part of the ancestral homeland of the Mohican tribe that’s now based in Wisconsin. “That’s not only a meaningful step forward in relation to our history, but [it] also means that Indigenous land management practices and traditional ecological knowledge are going to help us fight and adapt to an ever-growing and present-changing climate future.”

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Memory Care Fishing Trip

Thomas Kazik II- Staff Reporter
Brianna Terrio and Lori Stevens took a group of elder on a trip September 15th. They loaded up the elderly bus and headed north to Hiles, Wisconsin. Debbie Wendorf the owner of the Northwoods Reel’em resort hosted the elders on a fishing trip, they took care of everything, had the pontoon gassed up and fishing poles ready. The elders got to enjoy the weather, a boat ride and some fishing. Debbie Wendorf is a Dementia Care Specialist for the Northwoods ADRC.

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New Associate Judge Sworn In

Associate Judge Sterling Screiber, II was sworn in by Chief Judge Marianne Higgins on September 22, 2023 in front of friends and family at the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Court.

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Clinic updates for October 2023

Covid
- The Clinic has at-home covid tests and masks (including N-95 masks) available at no cost.
- Many people are seeing covid symptoms similar to allergies. If you feel congested, you may want to consider taking a covid test.
- If you come to the clinic while having covid, please wear a mask.
- Covid booster vaccinations should be available in mid-October. The clinic will post a flier once they are available.

Clinic Staff
- Dr. Tom Wargo, our chiropractor, will be retiring. His last day will be December 1, 2023. The Tribe is recruiting for his replacement.

Ella B New Building
- The Tribe is recruiting for care attendants, cooks, housekeepers, and maintenance staff. Ella B can provide training for new care attendants. Vacancies will be posted on the Tribe’s web page - https://www.mohican.com/services/careers/tribal-employment/
- The new building is anticipated to be open April 1, 2024.
- Parking lot construction will take place beginning October 4th. The clinic will remain open and patient parking will remain in the front of the clinic. Clinic employees may need to park off site during construction.
- The front walkway for the clinic will be reworked as part of the parking lot construction. This re-work will eliminate the step up from the parking lot to the sidewalk. Melvin is available to help patients during construction.
- Tribal Council approved the program statement for the new facility. A copy is posted on page 13 of this newspaper.

Administrative Updates
- The clinic implemented a 105L lease. This lease requires IHS to pay the Tribe rent for the Clinic building because the building is used to offer health care services. The lease agreement provides the Tribe $1.4 million dollars a year, this is approximately $1.2 million more than the standard M&I funding method.
- Pharmacy is implementing the 340B program from HRSA. This is a pharmacy program to allow the clinic to purchase medications at a reduced rate because we are a FQHC (Federally qualified Health Center). The clinic expects this program to save the Tribe between $300,000 and $500,000 each year.
- The Clinic and Tribe continue to work with Wisconsin and CMS to implement a Medicaid All Inclusive Rate that will increase Medicaid revenue from prescriptions filled at the Clinic. Wisconsin plans to request a state plan amendment from CMS to approve this request.
- The clinic is working with IHS and our contracted flooring company to replace the clinic floors. A schedule will be available once the supplies can be delivered. The flooring replacement will take place after hours.

Clinic community events (fliers will be distributed)
- 10/11 Color Walk @ Pine Hills
- 10/14 Safety Fair @ Public Safety Bldg
- 10/13 Breast Cancer Awareness event
- 10/18 Make and Take

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

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Bowler, WI 54416

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Education Department would like to Congratulate Warren Miller on obtaining his Associates in Arts and Sciences Degree from College of Menominee Nation And Kayli Posselt on obtaining her Bachelor of Arts Degree from University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Education Department would like to Congratulate Jadallyn Davids, on receiving the The Grace Meredith Yocum Shepard and Julia Sunderland Scholarship. We would also like to thank Terry L. Shepard and Marianne Higgins for establishing the scholarship in honor of their grandmother.

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**Voices**

**2023 FALL CLEANUP**

- The Fall Cleanup will occur on two days (Monday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 17) with curb side cleanup on Monday and appliance/electronics recycling on Tuesday. Curb side cleanup is open for Bartelme tribal members ONLY. Appliances/Electronics recycling is open to Bartelme AND Red Springs tribal members. Items not allowed in the curb side cleanup will NOT be picked up. Any curb side items not picked up must be removed from the end of your driveway and disposed of properly.
- All items collected curb side are NOT RECYCLED, but disposed of in a landfill. Recycling or reusing items by passing them on to others can save landfill space, limit costs and help others. Anything that you can donate to Goodwill, Habitat for Humanity or schools can be reused.

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**Arts & Crafts**

Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023
9 am to 3 pm

Mohican Veteran’s Lodge
W12790 Cty Hwy A
Bowler, WI

Mohican Veterans
Vendors call 715-787-4788

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**RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE CLEANUP**

**Monday, October 16**

**BARTELME TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY**

Place items curb side beginning Monday, October 9

Have ALL items curb side by **500 am on Monday of the Cleanup event**

Items not picked up **MUST** be removed from end of driveway at end of event

**FREE** pickup for **ONLY** the items listed below during Fall Cleanup:

- Bed Frames / Head Boards
- Mattresses / Box Springs
- Fitness Equipment
- Large Plastic Toys
- Bikes
- Grills
- Sink

**Items Not Allowed:** NO Construction Debris, Hazardous Material, Tires, Appliances or Electronics

**Volume:** Total Volume **MUST NOT** exceed 4 cubic yards per residence (about 4 ft tall x 5 ft long x 5 ft wide in size)

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**APPLIANCE & ELECTRONICS RECYCLING**

**Tuesday, October 17 from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm**

**BARTELME AND RED SPRINGS TRIBAL MEMBERS**

Place Appliances and Electronics into Appropriate Dumpsters at P&E and Roads Department

**APPLIANCE RECYCLING**

- **Appliances WITHOUT Freon:** FREE
- **Appliances WITH Freon:** $15.00 Each

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* Fee for appliances with freon can be paid at the Finance Department. **Proof of payment required for drop-off**

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**Electronics Recycling**

- Stockbridge-Munsee Environmental Department • 715-793-4819
- Hartre's Fox Valley Disposal • 888-864-6556
Elders

Eunice Stick Gathering Place

Elderly Activities at the Eunice Stick Gathering Place. There are some EXCITING things coming up over the next few months here at the gathering place. In October, there is a writing class with the Mohicans Writers Circle.

Make plans to join them and learn the techniques to put your own story together like their recent publishing of “Along the Many Trails” that includes stories from numerous Tribal Members.

We will be embarking on some crafting projects including homemade card making, Holiday wreaths, and a special Quilt project that will begin in the new year. Join us in our craft projects throughout each month. Art is subjective and we can all express ourselves through multiple mediums. I believe there is an artist in all of us!

A Continuation of our weekly Bingo sessions will be held on Tuesdays! Come out and join the comradery that comes with playing our friendly Bingo sessions and have a chance to “catch up” with everyone in our community.

We will be having our History Tour of the Reservation on Thursday October 12, 2023 departing the Gathering Place at 10a.m. Call to sign up.

Please see the Activities Calendar in the Elderly Stream that covers ALL THINGS going on here!

Brian Vogelsang

Brian G. Vogelsang, age 61, of Gresham, passed away peacefully on Tuesday September 19, 2023, in Appleton surrounded by his family. Brian was born in Shawano on August 1, 1962, to the late Ernest “Sonny” and Marie “Sug” (Peters) Vogelsang. After high school Brian enlisted in the United States Marine Corps where he served for three years and received an honorable discharge. He returned home and after one summer he re-enlisted in the National Guard. Brian worked as a truck driver for many years, twelve of those years for Tri-Hi Transportation in Merrill where he made lifelong friends.

Brian was united in marriage to the former Peggy Thielman on June 1, 2013, in Gresham. Brian enjoyed telling a great story and had a passion for cooking. More than anything he loved being surrounded by his family and he cherished spending time with his grandchildren.

Brian is survived by his wife, Peggy Vogelsang; children, Megan (Marc) Lardinois, Kyle (Lynzi) Vogelsang, stepson, Shane Farrington; stepdaughter, Sam (Erik) Olson; nine grandchildren, Eli, Jayden, Rhylee, Rory, Suzy, Wyett, Barbara, Maverick, and Odin; siblings, Toni (Kevin) Henderson and Bradley Vogelsang; and aunts, Emily Adair and Bess Hetzer.

Brian is preceded in death by his parents, a granddaughter, Kylee; and a brother, Paul Vogelsang.

A funeral service for Brian was held September 23, 2023, at the Old Stockbridge American Legion in Morgan Siding with Rev. Gordon Oliver officiating. Visitations was held at the church on Saturday until the time of the service.

The SMHWC clinic parking lot will be replaced in October. Construction on the parking lot is expected to start on October 4th. The construction will include replacing healing way (the road from highway A to the parking lot). The clinic will remain open and patient parking will still be located in the front of the clinic as it currently is. If you have an appointment in October, please plan to arrive a little earlier than normal in case there is any delays in parking. Melvin, our security guard, will be available if patients need extra assistance.

Andrew Miller, Director

Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center
“This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number [SLFRP0135FAIN] awarded to [the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs via the Wisconsin Department of Administration] by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.”

First Tribal Veteran Service Officer to serve as the President of the Tribal/County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin.

83 String is the motto. 11 Wisconsin Tribes and 72 counties.

Bruce Wilber Jr of the Menominee Nation is acting President and will be sworn in this Fall as President. The Tribes will have a drum and honor song at the Fall conference in Kenosha for the swearing in ceremony.

As Senator Baldwin stated “You have made history as the first Tribal Veteran Service Officer to hold this position. You are a credit to the Menominee Nation and to all Native Americans who have bravely served our country. I am grateful to have you as a partner in advocating for the rights and benefits of our Veterans, and I look forward to working with you”.

Working with other Tribal Veterans Service Officers and with County Veteran Service Officers blends knowledge of VA systems, forms and claims and enhances both delivery to our Tribal Veterans, and the ability to share Tribal culture and service to our country. Many County Veteran Service Officers embrace our joining the Association and we are grateful for their inclusion of our unique sovereign status and mission to serve Tribal Veterans in our Communities.

Twice per year the Association meets and covers several days of training to maintain accreditation and share experiences with the “I have a Veteran session”. These scenarios help all participants navigate VA requirements for submitting claims, appealing and forming changes to the VA and WDVA processes for serving Veterans. Tribal and County Veteran Service Officers aid all Veterans free of charge to the Veteran.

Standing in line for the Veteran.

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Obtaining a Veteran ID in Wisconsin

Being a veteran can bring perks such as exclusive discounts and special services from businesses, but very often obtaining these perks requires showing proof of service. One way to prove veteran status is to present a discharge paper (form DD214), which all veterans receive when separating from the military. However, carrying this document around is both impractical and an identity-theft risk. Luckily, in Wisconsin there are several options to obtain an identification card that provides proof of military service. These options are:

1) Requesting the State of Wisconsin Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), put a veteran identifier (the word Veteran) on driver’s license/state ID card.
2) Applying online at vets.gov for a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) issued Veterans Identification Card (VIC).
3) Enrolling in the VA Health Care System. For Wisconsin residents, option one is probably the quickest and easiest option with few eligibility requirements (requirements are: two years active duty during peacetime or 90 days during wartime, and an honorable discharge). It also has the added benefit of eliminating the need to carry a second/separate ID. Before a veteran goes to the DVM to get the veteran identifier on their driver license or state ID card they need to verify eligibility with the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs. They can do this by contacting the Veterans Benefits Resource Center at: 1-800-WIS-VETS or by contacting the local County or Tribal Veteran Service Officer. In the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Community this is Gregg W. Duffek at: 715-793-4036, located at 203 W. Main St Bowler, WI. 54416.

After establishing VA eligibility, veterans can go to the Wisconsin DMV to get the identifier put on their license. If renewing a license there is no extra charge but there is a fee if requesting a replacement outside of the renewal dates. Remember to take a certified birth certificate with you to the DMV. Options two and three are more difficult to use. Option two was experiencing technical difficulties last year and only recently started receiving applications after placing the program on hold for several months. To get the federally issued ID veterans must apply online through vets.gov. They must also upload a photo that meets passport-type qualifications. Option three is not open to all veterans and determining eligibility is a longer and more complicated process. However, if a veteran would like to explore these two options the Veteran Service Office is available to answer questions and to veterans through these processes as well. Having a veteran ID is a safer and more convenient way for veterans to carry proof that they are a veteran than carrying discharge papers and in Wisconsin it is relatively easy to obtain one. Veterans who get one can more easily enjoy using the special offers and discounts available to them!
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She acknowledged the work done by Stockbridge officials to affect the return of this land. The change is promulgated by a $31.5 million grant program—the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program (MVP)—that provides local communities with funding and technical assistance to implement climate resilience projects. Along with 56 different individual municipal grantees, the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans was awarded a $2.26 million grant to reclaim 351 acres of its Indigenous homelands, while implementing tribal conservation and forest management strategies to combat climate change.

“We are celebrating the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans reclaiming land in their ancestral homeland,” Massachusetts Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Rebecca Tepper said. “We are also celebrating the concept to have Indigenous land management as a key way to further climate resiliency in our state.”

Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans President Shannon Holsey described the day as “very joyful and emotional” for her community. “We believe that it is our responsibility to be land stewards and to advocate for future generations,” she said. “We are grateful to be home today, and we are grateful to be partners with all of you who made today possible.”

Holsey spoke of the “land-back movement”—to get Indigenous lands back into Indigenous hands—but said her tribe is “not trying to reclaim land from ownership in a Western colonial way of thinking about it.” She explained, “We are trying to reclaim our ways of being which was never based on money. It was the reclamation of our kinship systems, our governance systems, our ceremony and spirituality, our language, our culture, and our food and medicinal systems. Those are all based on our relationships to the land.”

Holsey told The Berkshire Edge that the funds will be used to reacquire anything that has “historical significance” to the tribal nation, to not only possess the artifacts but educate people about the tribe’s existence and honor its ancestors. Specifically, for Monument Mountain, she said the Stockbridge-Munsee Band presence will be felt “from the flying of our flag to the return of stones with messages with hopes and prayers of our people for future generations to remember that, in spite of everything that’s happened, we’re still here.”

A sacred site for the Mohican people, Reservation Trustees previously worked with tribal leaders to rename Monument Mountain in 2021 from “Squaw Peak,” a derogatory term, to “Peeksawo Peak,” meaning “virtuous woman” in the Mohican language. “Indian Monument Trail” was also renamed “Mohican Monument Trail” on the tract, and new signs were added to reflect the true historical significance of the site to the Mohican tribe.

At the announcement, Egremont was also awarded $81,500 to conduct a climate action program. Local leaders weigh in on the announcement was a long time coming, centuries in fact. According to the Stockbridge-Munsee Historical Committee, the Berkshire area was settled by the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans, with its original name meaning “People of the Waters that Are Never Still.”

The traditional homeland of the Mohican people spanned from the Hudson River to the west to the Westfield River to the east, down northern Manhattan and Westchester County, and north to Lake Champlain, said Mark Wilson, Associate Curator for the Trustees of Reservations, which maintains the properties affiliated with the local Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican Community. Colonization of the area by the Dutch and English in the early 1700s brought disease as well as an interest to acquire land, driving the...
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Mohican people from their territory in the Hudson Valley farther east into Connecticut and Massachusetts.

In 1734, John Sergeant, a Christian, began a mission to assimilate the Mohican people living in Wnahktukuk, present-day Stockbridge. In 1742, he built the Mission House on Prospect Hill. Eventually, it was moved to 19 Main Street, where it is maintained by the Trustees of Reservations.

Stockbridge, known as “Indian Town,” soon boasted a church and school. Ancestral Indigenous land can be found along Main Street, including the town cemetery, or burial ground, where Sergeant, a Mohican chief, and two Stockbridge Indian women are buried.

According to Wilson, the local skyline not only included English houses but Mohican structures as well, representing an interrelationship between tradition and the new culture. “There was no ownership of land for the Stockbridge-Munsee people,” Wilson said of the vast areas inhabited by the tribe and shared with other communities. “They lived on the land; they stewarded the land, but they didn’t own it.”

Although many Mohicans had served alongside colonists in the Revolutionary War, they were eventually pushed out of the Stockbridge area. “The tribe was forced off of the Select Board, they were excommunicated from the church,” Wilson said of the tribe. “Everything this town was set up for with them involved was taken from them.”

By 1783, the tribal community had left Stockbridge for western New York to live among the Oneida Nation. There, in New Stockbridge, the tribe thrived, but not for long. Local pressure to remove Native Americans from New York’s borders forced another relocation in the 1820s, this time to an area on Lake Winnebago in Shawano County, Wis.

Renamed Stockbridge in the 1840s, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community is now a federally recognized Indian Nation, and the reservation houses about 1,500 of its members.

“We always maintained a relationship with the state of Massachusetts because our ancestors are still here,” Holsey said. “It’s also about stewardship and making sure we retain the historical significance of this homeland and making sure that we do whatever we can in a collaborative way to protect it for future generations.”

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A desk stands in The Mission House, 19 Main Street, Stockbridge. The home is maintained by Reservation Trustees and originally housed John Sergeant’s family, a missionary in the 1700s. The land beneath the structure originally served as the residence of Thomas Sherman, a Stockbridge Mohican. Photo by Leslee Bassman.

Grant recipients pose for a photo following the award of funding from the state’s Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program on Aug. 30.
Nutrition: Food Safety

Food poisoning (also called foodborne illness or foodborne disease) is caused by consuming food contaminated with certain bacteria and viruses. Food safety refers to the best ways to handle, prepare, and store food to prevent illness.

Food safety rules

Follow these basic safety rules to help keep food safe and avoid illness.

Clean: Wash your hands frequently and clean surfaces touched by food. Germs can spread all over the kitchen, such as on cutting boards, knives, counter tops, sponges, and towels.

Separate: Keep raw foods—such as raw meat, poultry, and seafood—and their juices away from other foods. Germs spread from one food product to another.

Cook: Cook foods to the right temperature. Foods are properly cooked when they are heated for a long enough time and the internal temperature is high enough to kill harmful germs. Always use a thermometer to make sure meat, poultry, and fish reach a safe minimum cooking temperature.

Chill: Refrigerate food promptly. Germs can quickly multiply when food is left at room temperature. FDA recommends refrigerating food within two hours. Refrigerate it within one hour if it’s 90°F or above (such as in a hot car).

Refrigerator safety

Cold temperatures slow the spread of harmful germs. Use these tips to make sure you’re storing foods the right way:

- Check the settings with an appliance thermometer. Your refrigerator should be at 40°F or below. Your freezer should be at 0°F or below.
- Cook or freeze fresh poultry, fish, ground meats, and organ and variety meats (such as, heart, kidney, liver and tongue) within two days. Cook or freeze beef, veal, lamb, or pork within three to five days.
- Securely wrap perishable food, such as meat and poultry, to help maintain quality and prevent meat juices from getting onto other food.
- If freezing meat or poultry in its original package, wrap the package again with heavy-duty foil or freezer wrap.

Eating out

More than half of foodborne outbreaks are linked to restaurants. Follow these tips to protect yourself when you eat out:

- Send your food back if it’s not fully cooked. Certain foods, such as meat, seafood, poultry and eggs, need to be at a temperature high enough to kill harmful germs.
- Put your leftovers in the fridge within two hours of eating, or one hour if the temperature is above 90°F (such as in a hot car). Reheat your leftovers to 165°F.
- If you get food poisoning, and you think it’s linked to a restaurant, report your illness to your local health department.

More resources

- 4 Steps to Food Safety—FoodSafety.gov
- Food and Recreational Safety—Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
- Fight BAC!—Partnership for Food Safety Education
- FDA Food Information Line—1-888-SAFEFOOD (1-888-723-3366)
Meeting Minutes

Open Agenda

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

JUDICARE “GOLF FOR JUSTICE” FUNDRAISER - Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to do a bronze sponsorship. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

FUNDRAISER FOR LOCAL FOOD PANTRY - Motion by Sara Putnam to donate to Jungles Food Pantry. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Motion maker amends motion: that it is a fundraiser for food pantry. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: McKinsey Settlement in Tribal Opioid Litigation-Bridget Swanke, Legal

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adopt resolution 046-23, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SKIKOS CRAWFORD SKIKOS & JOSEPH, LLP is authorized to submit the Tribal Participation Forms attached to this resolution on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Seconded by Joe Miller. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION: Tribal Priority Allocation Funding for Water Resources-Al rex Brauer, Ecology

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adopt resolution 047-23, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes the acceptance of the FY 2022 BIA Tribal Priority Allocation funds. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Resolution adopted.

USFS S&P FOREST PEST MANAGEMENT/ SUPPRESSION PROJECT-Paul Koll, Forestry

Motion by Sara Putnam to authorize the Forestry Department to seek approval to apply for USFS State & Private Forest Pest Management Project Funds for wage and fringe offset, FY2024. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

May 2023 GM Report with Financials-Sara Putnam, Interim GM and Timothy Magwitz, Director of Finance

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the May 2023 GM Report with Financials. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

CCDF Grant & Budget Modification-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the grant and budget modification #1 for CCDF Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Request for Sole Source: Cemetery Locate KYK9-Chad Miller, Land Management

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the sole source burial detection service using specialized dogs to locate a potential mass burial from the early 1900’s in the township of Red Springs with the hope of not only locating but hopefully excluding new development area. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Residential Needs- Chad Miller, Land Management and Allen Quinney, Executive Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to go ahead order these homes up to eight of them, then get the schematics for the slab and everything and then to get price quotes from other people on the cost of that, authorizing the purchase of the doublewides and that they will be for sale. Seconded by Joe Miller.

Motion maker withdraws

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Directives cont from pg 11


Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Membership Committee and approve the enrollment of Jeremy Wayne Davids as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Membership Committee and approve the enrollment of Cordell Henning James Mendez as 17/64 Stockbridge-Munsee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Membership Committee and approve the enrollment of Shane Andrew Pecore as 3/8 Stockbridge-Munsee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Membership Committee and approve the enrollment of Shawn Andrew Pecore as 3/8 Stockbridge-Munsee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Membership Committee and deny enrollment to Mitchell Austin Mickik due to insufficient blood. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

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

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Membership Committee and deny enrollment to Randall Edward Lewis due to insufficient blood. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Randall opposed and Jeremy yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Friday, September 8th as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

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

Motion by Joe Miller to approve tonight's agenda of Tuesday, September 19th as amended. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-

MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Joe Mille to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of September 5th as presented. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

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

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of Friday, September 8th as presented. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (for posting)-May 31, 2023, June 30, 2023, and July 31, 2023- Motion by Jeremy Mohawk for approval to post the financial statements for May 31, 2023, June 30, 2023, and July 31, 2023. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

BUDGET MODIFICATION-Mary Creapeau, Lieutenant

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the monies in fiscal year 2023 BIA funds for the Stockbridge-Munsee Police Department for wages and fringe. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

2024 GRANT ASSISTANCE-Mary Creapeau, Lieutenant

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve submitting the applications for Tribal/County Law Enforcement Assistance 2024 Grant and Tribal Law Enforcement Assistance Grant 2024. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

COOPERATIVE TRIBAL COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT-Mary Creapeau, Lieutenant

Motion by Joe Miller to adopt resolution #047-23, NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal
Directives cont from 12: Council authorizes the Tribal President or Vice-President to execute the 2024 Cooperative Tribal/County Law Enforcement Agreement between Shawano County and Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried. 

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve and submit the 2024 Tribal/County Law Enforcement Agreement between Shawano County and Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

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

REQUEST TO PLANT TREE WITH PLAQUE-Jo Ann Schedler, Tribal Member Motion by Jeremy Mohawk for approval of the request to plant an elm tree with a plaque at the Stockbridge Cemetery. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

ADRS GRANT MODIFICATION-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the attached Aging ADRS Grant Budget Modification One and approve submission to the State on behalf of the Tribe, not to exceed a set amount and to authorize the Tribal Administrator to share the Justification Sheet and budget forms with the State. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

FIRST CHILDREN’S FINANCE PROGRAM-Crystal Malone, Human Services Area Manager Motion by Jeremy Mohawk for the approval of First Children’s Finance Program Policies. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

SMHC HRSA RECRUITMENT & RETENTION PLAN-Andrew Miller, SMHC Director Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center’s Recruitment and Retention Plan. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

ELLA BESAW PROGRAM STATEMENT-Andrew Miller, SMHC Director Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the new Ella Besaw program statement to be used once the new building opens. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

WEST POINT MOU-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve President/Vice President to sign the Section 106 MOU with West Point. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

DPI EXTENSION PROJECT-Monique Tyndall, Tribal Member Motion by Sara Putnam to authorize the Tribal President to submit a no cost extension for the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families Preschool Development Grant for Young Learners Tribal Language Revitalization. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

“OUR TOWN” GRANT PARTNERSHIP MOU-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs Motion by Joe Miller to authorize the Tribal President/Vice President’s signature on the Cultural Affairs Our Town Grant from the National Endowment. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion maker amends motion: to sign the MOU. Second concurs. Motion carried.

CANNABIS ADVISORY COMMISSION-Tribal Council Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to authorize the development and appointment of people on the Cannabis Advisory Commission. Seconded by Joe Miller.

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

SITE PREPARATION-Tribal Council Motion by Joe Miller to authorize the home site preparation coordinated through the Executive Director and our Roads Manager. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

BAY MILLS AMICUS BRIEF-Shannon Holsey, President Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to sign off the amicus brief for the Bay Mills fight in regards to Lake Michigan. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-Joel Besaw program statement to be used once the new building opens. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 6:05 PM.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 6:43 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Tribal Member Requests and Personnel Matters. Motion by Joe Miller to authorize a waiver regarding employment period. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

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

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the request discussed in Executive Session and to issue a payment. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to adjourn. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 6:44 PM.

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