RE-ELECT FOR COUNCIL 2023

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Acknowledgments & Comments

Chi-Miigwetch to the membership of Henvey Inlet First Nation for your unwavering support for the past five terms (10yrs). The current term has been both humbling and rewarding. The Chief (Wayne McQuabbie) and Council (Brenda Contin, Carl Ashawasagai, Maureen Kagagins, Lionel Fox) along with our dedicated Staff continue to work tirelessly to provide governance, vital services and opportunities to our members. Our community's solidarity is what has allowed us to persevere in one of the most challenging times in history for us on mother earth.

Our Anishinaabemwowin (Language) and traditional customs remind us of our nature as Anishinaabe to be mindful of making effort and offer mutual respect, kindness and caring even if at times it's not reciprocated.

The following are some of the initiatives I have been making strong efforts to realize over the past two years. Some would come to completion over the next two years while some are much longer important initiatives that are complex and dynamic in their nature.

Key Priorities

Child and Family Well-being Jurisdiction

- Developing a responsible organization
- Creating laws and processes that are in line with our traditional customs
- Prevention and education strategies

Protecting Our Lands and Species Habitat

- Ensuring restoration and recovery strategies for impacted lands and species
- Ensuring environmental commitments from the wind farm are monitored and enforced

Community Development and Enhancement

- Medical Centre
- Roundhouse
- Clean and safe water infrastructure

Mental Well-being and Addictions

- Develop more prevention strategies
- Enhance and partner to aid in overall success and effectiveness
- Long term after care protocols

Economic Development Opportunities

 Begin exploring other business opportunities to generate revenues for the membership

Fire and EMS Services

- Continue to strengthen our ability to protect and respond to community threats
- Pandemic Readiness Planning

I welcome these challenges, as with all growth whether it's individual or community oriented it can be very difficult. However just because something is difficult does not mean we stop our efforts. I personally DO NOT have all the answers, but I know that working together through community consultation we can develop reasonable solutions with a level of BALANCE and HARMONY that benefit everyone within reason. I take solace knowing many decisions are a result of Chief and Councils collaborative decision-making process with membership.

I appreciate your consideration to Re-Elect me in our 2023 General Election. Lastly, I ask you flip over this page to reflect on the 7 Grandfather Teachings. They are truths and hope they resonate with you as you sit with them.



HONOURING PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS

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SEVEN GRANDFATHER TEACHINGS

Minwaadendamowin – Respect (Buffalo)

Zaagidiwin-Love (Eagle)

Debwewin – Truth (Turtle)

Aakodewewin – Bravery (Bear)

Nibwaakawin – Wisdom (Beaver)

Miigwe 'aadiziwin - Generosity (Jenu)

Dibaadendiziwin – Humility (Wolf)



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my candidacy.

The creator gave these Seven Grandfathers to guide people on the way to live a better life. As a people we need to reflect and do the best we can to live these Teachings. This is the only way to create true change. As we change as individuals, we become part of the change for all of us as a people.

Chi-Miigwetch

