

## RECAPPING THIS YEAR'S MOST INFLUENTIAL TOP STORIES

WINNEBAGO, NE – This year has been a busy one for the Winnebago Indian News. The very beginning of April is when we received a new layout after more than 10 years. The goal for this year was to expand in a variety of different story highlights in the community.

The WIN had the opportunity to visit with many influential tribal leaders in the Winnebago community. Sharing different stories, discussing different topics and issues, and working to implement tribal teachings into each Top Story.

We want to express our gratitude for all of those who contributed to the Winnebago Indian News this year. Your time, effort, and words of wisdom are much valued. We hope for another successful year in 2023.

This issue, we want to recap some of those stories with the most influential teachings.

Here are our Top 3 Stories: ----->>>>



### BAGO BITS

By: Tyler Snake



Lady Indians wrestling team took the mat tonight at the Summerland girls tourney with 15+ teams. Avani Wilkie goes 4-0 and placed 1st, Hunz Earth 4-0 and placed 1st with a pin over the number 1 girl in the finals. Ricarda Little Walker goes 0-2 and continues to get better. With only 3 scores, these girls got runner-up in the team scoring! #bagopride

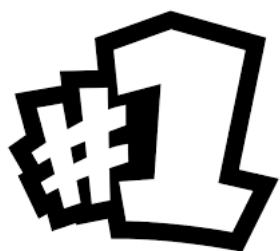
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I think we all remember back in the day when we would get the brown paper bags with the peanuts, candy, and gloves. Well folks, the Winnebago Volunteer Fire Department still hosts this event!



The whole last week of December was a cold and blizzardy one. With lows as cold as -12 degrees. When checking the weather, the wind was at 24mphs! Causing snow drifts, and slick roads. We hope everyone was safe and warm during those blizzardy conditions!



### WILDLIFE & PARKS "BISON PROJECT"

Written by:  
Jordana R. Bass

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The story was chosen as #1 Top Story of the year because it was a story highlighting the long time running “Bison Project”.

Which included interviews with Wildlife & Parks Director, Jewel Parker. As well as Tribal Councilman, Louie LaRose who had a vision for the tribe, worked hard, and brought the project to the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska.

Louie LaRose shared a story about the beginning of the Bison project, “the first time they had to take a buffalo down “the CEO of the tribe told me to get a buffalo, if not they would ask someone else. I needed more information, about when they needed it, what they were going to use it for, and how was I going to process it. I told them we needed to pray first; they didn’t understand why. I panicked because I didn’t know of any prayer. I talked to Stanford Whitewater.”

Later, LaRose and Whitewater met at the buffalo pasture. “Stanford said the prayer, the buffalo I selected was on the other side of the herd. He walked around the whole heard. Then he walked up to me. So, it could be shot. I shot him; he went down. We loaded him up and took him to Oakland where they processed them. I took Stanford back, he said Louie, that buffalo knew. I said Stanford, that buffalo answered your prayer.”

#### A TEACHING SHARED THROUGH STORY

“We got an old female buffalo, and the calves wouldn’t fight her. They respected her. One day I couldn’t find the calves, I went over and they were sitting in the lowlands. The female was taking care of the herd. She was teaching them buffalo manners, I also wondered how they learned, they learned from the elders. It’s a complete cycle of learning.”



Jewel Parker, director of Winnebago Wildlife & Parks rounds up the buffalo.



Louie LaRose was active in starting the buffalo project. (photo courtesy: Sharon Redhorn-Chamberlain)

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FAITH ROSE MEANS, OBITUARY



**Faith Rose Means, Winnebago, Nebraska** - Faith Rose Means, age 40, "Make Glakiyan Wiunkapi Win" (When Lightning Strikes the Whole World Can See Her) passed to the Spirit World surrounded by family on December 13, 2022 at her home in Winnebago, NE. She was born to her parents Theodore Means Sr. and Lorelei DeCora (Means) on May 13, 1982 in Pine Ridge, SD.

Visitation began December 15, 2022 at the Ho-Chunk Community Center in Winnebago, Nebraska and will continue until funeral services Sunday December 18, 2022 at 2:00 PM. Interment will be in the Rave Family Cemetery in rural Winnebago, Nebraska following the funeral service with Miskooquewezance "Red Boy" Means officiating and Joseph Painter III in charge. Arrangements are under the direction of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and Munderloh - Smith Funeral Homes of Pender, Nebraska.

Faith Rose graduated from Todd County High School, Mission, South Dakota in May 2000. That year Faith played Volleyball & Basketball in the Lakota Nation Invitational where the Todd County Lady Falcons won both the Girls Volleyball and Girls Basketball Championships. She attended the

Haskell Indian Nations University and the Little Priest Tribal College. Faith Rose was proud to work as a certified Coder for the Winnebago Indian Health Services for 8 years.

Faith Rose enjoyed cooking her many recipes (some of them secret), hanging with her friends & family, attending the Sundance, listening to Lakota Songs recorded for her by brothers the late Theodore Means Jr.

& Red Boy Means, playing pool & playing the slots/video lottery; in her younger years you could usually find her "running a game" on the local basketball court.

Survivors include her son, Deynon Dace Red Willow, daughters Auriah Hope and Amani Janelle Means, her mother Lorelei DeCora, brothers Red Boy Means, Casey Means, sisters Oyate Means, Tipi Means, Letoy Lunderman, Season Means, CeeJay LaRoche, Shyla LaRoche, Sammie LaRoche, and grandsons Theodore, Bentley, granddaughters Zaria & Zaveah and many Uncles, Aunts Cousins, Nieces, and Nephews. "Hunka" brothers and sisters, Travis Albers, Brian Thunderhawk, sisters Kimberly Rose Brave Heart, Evelyn Weston, Lolita and Pam Attack Him.

Active Pallbearers will be Quincy Means, Austin LaPointe, John Boyd, Wakan Petite, Kevin Tebo Jr., and Kaylou Tebo.

Honorary Pall Bearers will be Kristine Earth, Lisa Guerro, Jewel Earth, Anpao Mani Win Petite, Billie Kitcheyan, Tori Kitcheyan, Shauni Miller, Reuben Snake III, Howasta Means, Miskoo Petite, Janelle DeCora, Elaine Earth, Tatanka Petite, Rachel Valandra, Myrtis Baker, Troy Lunderman, Hochoka DeCora, and all her Friends and Relatives. Faith Rose was preceded in death by her Father Theodore Means Sr., Brother Theodore Means Jr., Sisters Kimberly Rose Means, and Lisa Attack Him, Unci Lillian LeBeau Chase and many friends and relatives she held near and dear to her.

Faith Rose and all the relatives are thankful for having her with us for the 40 years of her life and all the joy & love she had for us.



## Masking Guidance UPDATE

Going forward, the Winnebago Public Health Department will determine if we are at "Green Level" or "Red Level" with respect to transmission rates.

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Hočąk Cultural Education	Pathways to Prosperity: Career-Building, College Prep, & Other Useful Skills	
<b>Community Crafting</b> Weekly on Friday, 1/20 - 5/5, 6:00 - 9:00 PM <b>Hočąk Traditional Storytelling</b> 1/19, 1/26, 5:30 - 8:30 PM <b>Snowshoes</b> 2/5, 2/12, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM <b>Paxge Earrings</b> 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 5:30 - 8:30 PM <b>Baby Board Making</b> 3/5, 3/12, 12:00 - 4:00 PM <b>Waje (Day Dresses)</b> 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5:30 - 8:30 PM <b>Belt Weaving (Finger-woven belts)</b> 3/24, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 5:00 - 7:00 PM	<b>Household Finances: New Year Reset</b> 1/17, 1:00 - 2:00 PM <b>Computer Basics</b> 1/24, 11:00 AM - 12:00 N 2/28, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM 4/25, 1:00 - 2:00 PM <b>Informational Interviews</b> 1/31, 1:00 - 2:00 PM <b>Outlook 1</b> 2/7, 2:00 - 5:00 PM <b>Communicating Well at Work</b> 2/10, 10:00 AM - 12:00 N <b>Introduction to DocuSign</b> 2/21, 4:00 - 5:00 PM <b>Understanding Privilege</b> 3/10, 1:00 - 3:00 PM <b>Introduction to Canva</b> 3/14, 1:00 - 3:00 PM	<b>Departmental Budgeting 101</b> 3/24, 9:00 AM - 12:00 N <b>Time Management</b> 3/28, 3:00 - 4:00 PM <b>PowerPoint 1</b> 4/4, 2:00 - 5:00 PM <b>Resume-Writing</b> 4/11, 9:00 - 10:00 AM <b>Understanding LGBTQ+ Concerns</b> 4/14, 1:00 - 3:00 PM <b>Cover Letter Writing</b> 4/18, 10:00 AM - 12:00 N <b>Excel 1</b> 4/19, 5:30 - 8:30 PM <b>Excel 2</b> 4/26, 5:30 - 8:30 PM <b>Interviewing Skills</b> 5/2, 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Crafts from Other Traditions	Health & Wellness	
<b>Knitting Basics</b> 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 5:00 - 7:00 PM <b>Spinning (Yarn)</b> 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 - 5:00 - 7:00 PM <b>Ribbon Shirts</b> 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 5:30 - 8:30 PM <b>Digital Landscape Photography</b> 4/22, 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon <b>Using Plant Dyes (Dyeing Yarn)</b> 4/29, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	<b>Walking Wellness</b> Weekly on Tuesday 1/17 - 5/2, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM <b>Healthy Mind &amp; Body</b> 1/17, 10:00 - 11:00 AM <b>Healthy Relationships</b> 2/14, 3:00 - 4:00 PM <b>Stress Management</b> 3/7, 11:00 AM - 12:00 N	<b>Sexual Health Basics</b> 3/21, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM <b>Community Health Education (Winnebago Health Collaboration)</b> February: Are you at risk for Diabetes? Date/Time TBD March: Pre-Natal Nutrition: Date/Time TBD April: Behavioral Health: Date/Time TBD

Updated December 9, 2022



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	1 Closed Holiday	2 Closed Inventory/Stock Certifications Only	3 Fresh Produce DISTRIBUTING! 10AM-3PM	4 Nutrition Ed.	5 Food Tasting	6
7	8	9	10 Fresh Produce DISTRIBUTING! 10AM-3PM	11 Nutrition Ed.	12	13
14	15	16	17 Fresh Produce DISTRIBUTING! 10AM-3PM	18 Nutrition Ed.	19	20
21	22	23	24 Fresh Produce DISTRIBUTING! 10AM-3PM	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Fresh Produce DISTRIBUTING! 10AM-3PM			

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# TOP STORIES

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## WINNEBAGO HUMAN SERVICES & CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH CULTURE

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Written by: Jordana R. Bass  
Photography by: Bethani Redhorn

The Top Story highlight focused on the Winnebago Human Services Department was another on of our favorite top stories for this year.

Discussing some of the different programs within the department, including the Preserve a Native Families Unit. The department also works within Child Protective Services, and the article discusses how the team works with the families. How they implement culture in the Human Services Dept.

In the last year the culture committee was formed, and Nona Bearskin-Buffalocalf was challenged with providing ribbon skirts for their department (32 ribbon skirts, and 3 ribbon shirts). Petite is optimistic about the effort his team puts into the work they do with families. He said, "I'm excited to be apart of this team, and I think we have everything right here in our department to do good things. Nona, Candace, Angie, and Selena."

### A TEACHING SHARED THROUGH STORY

Reflecting on her experience, Bearskin-Buffalocalf said "the project was overwhelming, but my mom used to say that when you do something it has to be with a good thought in mind."



(left to right) Miskoo Petite, Nona Bearskin-Buffalo Calf, and Angie Walker advocate and drive cultural awareness to the families they work with.

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## PREPPING FOR THE 156TH WINNEBAGO ANNUAL HOMECOMING CELEBRATION

Volume 51, Number 15 • Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Written by: Jordana R. Bass

It was a busy and hectic time at the 156th annual Veteran's Homecoming Celebration. But nonetheless, it was a successful year.

The article featured Gordon Rave, who is a Winnebago Veteran who is the Commander of both the American Legion and the Winnebago Veteran's Association. Also, he has an added role as Tribal Veteran's Service Officer.

Volume 51, Number 15 was our Powwow Edition. Which included a full page of throwback powwow photos through years. As well as old articles written by Tribal Historian, the late David "Tim" Smith regarding the history of the powwow.

The issue also showcased spotlight articles about the headman dancer, headwoman dancer, as well as the Haylushka Drum Group.

With another year drawing to a close, it's probably time to start prepping for the 157th Annual Celebration!

### A TEACHING SHARED THROUGH STORY

The main center pole represents a combat veteran. Rave said "it hangs in honor of what he has done as a warrior, and they (MC's) will talk about his family, and himself. The family will honor him by providing breakfast." Each day there is a different combat veteran who's flag hangs on the center pole.



### HEADMAN DANCER - SCOTT ALDRICH



Scott Aldrich was the 156th headman dancer of the Winnebago Homecoming Celebration

### HEAD WOMAN DANCER - BELLE BLACKBIRD



Belle Blackbird was the 156th headwoman dancer of the Winnebago Homecoming Celebration

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### LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3 Notice of Hearing Case No. CV23-007

In the Matter of the  
Custody Application of:  
Charlotte Goodon  
In Re:  
X.M. (12/2017)

To: Kehona Medina, Mother  
All Possible Fathers

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV23-007 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 19th day of December, 2022 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

Dated this 6th day of December, 2022.

### LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3 Notice of Hearing Case No. JFJ23-003

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
P.R. (Born 5/2010)

To: DANNELLE MCDONALD,  
Mother  
ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ22-004 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 20th day of DECEMBER, 2022 at the hour of 3:00 P.M.

Dated this 22ND day of November, 2022.

### LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3 Notice of Hearing Case No. JFJ23-003

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
P.R. (Born 5/2010)

To: DANNELLE MCDONALD,  
Mother  
ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

You are hereby notified that a hearing for an Adjudication concerning the above referred minor individual(s) in case no. JFJ22-004 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 20th day of DECEMBER, 2022 at the hour of 3:00 P.M.

Dated this 22ND day of November, 2022.

### LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3 Notice of Hearing Case No. CV23-006

In the Matter of the  
Custody Application of:  
Autumn Nieman  
In Re:  
E.B. (10/2005)

To: Robert Red Owl, Father

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV23-006 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 19th day of December, 2022 at the hour of 11:00 A.M.

Dated this 6th day of December, 2022.

### LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3 Notice of Hearing Case No. CV23-005

In the Matter of the  
Custody Application of:  
Antoine Mitchell  
In Re:  
G.L.(10/2013)  
C.L.(11/2014)  
L.L.(3/2016)

TO: WHITLEY MITCHELL,  
Mother

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed for Guardianship and a hearing concerning the above referred Individual(s) in Case No. CV23-005 has been scheduled and will be heard in the Winnebago Tribal Court of Winnebago, Nebraska on the 15th day of December, 2022 at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

Dated this 5th day of December, 2022.

### LEGAL NOTICE: 2/3 Notice of Hearing Case No. JFJ23-003

The People of the Winnebago Tribe  
In the Interest of:  
P.R. (Born 5/2010)

To: DANNELLE MCDONALD,  
Mother  
ALL POTENTIAL FATHERS

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Dated this 22ND day of November, 2022.



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## MORE RECAP PHOTOS FROM YOUT EVENTS THROUGH THIS YEAR

Below are some photos that we took over the course of the 2022 summer!

Baseball was brought to the Winnebago youth through Whirling Thunder Wellness Center. A Culture Camp was hosted by HoChunk Renaissance and Little Priest Tribal College. Bottom photo shows a youth basketball camp hosted by Boys and Girls Club.



# TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

*minutes continued from last issue...*

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

- Sharon Frenchman
- Tom Wiedell
- Alan Post
- Cecelia Earth
- Damon Payer
- Terri Mentink
- Garan Coons
- Kellie Snow
- Kiva Harden-Free
- Lynelle Blackhawk
- Thomas Snow
- Tyresha Wolfe
- Michael Michaud
- Mark Grant

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Chairman Chamberlain called to order at 9:03 a.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Coly Brown offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the agenda as amended.

Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (4) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

[Kenneth Mallory in at 9:05 a.m.]

**WCHS FINANCIAL REPORT:**

1. Billing & Collections – presented by Terri Mintink

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the Winnebago Comprehensive Healthcare Systems Billing & Collections presentation.

Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

2. Financial Report – presented by Tom Wiedell

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the WCHS Financial Report. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

**GAMING COMMISSION REPORT:**

Presented by Damon Payer.

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the Gaming Commission Report.

Louis LaRose seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

**WINNAVEGAS REPORT:**

1. FINANCIAL REPORT – presented by Mark Grant

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the WinnaVegas Financial Report.

Louis LaRose seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

2. AUGUST MARKETING PERFORMA – Presented by Michael Michaud

3. ACTION ITEMS

a. Request from the Marketing Department, Re: January 2023 Continuity Campaign @ \$51,040.00

Coly Brown motioned to approve the request from the WinnaVegas Marketing

Department, Re: January 2023 Continuity Campaign @ \$51,040.00. Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

b. Request from the Marketing Department, re: February 2023 Continuity Campaign @ \$50,880.00

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the request from the WinnaVegas Marketing Department, Re: February 2023 Continuity Campaign @ \$50,880.00.

Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

c. Request from the Marketing Department, re: Pick a Punch promotion every Saturday in November 2022 from 1-5pm. The total estimated expense is \$37,600.

Coly Brown motioned to approve the Request from the Marketing Department, re: Pick a Punch promotion every Saturday in November 2022 from 1-5pm. The total estimated expense is \$37,600. Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

**TRIBAL CFO REPORT:**

Rona Stealer motioned to compensate the staff at the Distribution Event.

Louis LaRose seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Rona Stealer motioned to approve the 3% COLA and Merit for FY2023 up to 3% allowable merit increase. Louis LaRose seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Rona Stealer motioned to waiver rental and security deposit fees for all Tribal Council activities in the Whirling Thunder Gym. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Louis LaRose motioned to authorize the Treasurer to close the Per Capita Account 20017397 and set up a new account at Liberty National Bank. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Rona Stealer motioned to adopt resolution 22-170: US Hwy 77 Childcare/Hochunk Village 2.0 Intersection Project. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Rona Stealer motioned to suspend the rules to add Executive Session to the agenda. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Rona Stealer motioned to go into Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain

*Motion carried.*

Coly Brown motioned to come out of Executive Session at 10:51 a.m.

Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Rona Stealer motioned to authorize a legal referral for revision of the Utility board By Laws. Coly Brown seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

**ADJOURN:**

Coly Brown motioned to adjourn at 10:53 a.m. Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (5) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

**WINNEBAGO TRIBE OF NEBRASKA  
SPECIAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING – GAMING COMMISSION  
September 29, 2022**

**TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:**

- Brian Chamberlain
- Lorelei DeCora
- Rona Stealer
- Kenneth Mallory
- Isaac Smith
- Aric Armell
- Louis LaRose

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:**

- Coly Brown
- Victoria Kitcheyan

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

- Thomas Snow
- Tanya Baker
- Damon Payer

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Chairman Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Lorelei DeCora offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Iowa Internal discussion with Gaming Commission, Tribal Member House Fire, and Appoint Election Board Member.

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the agenda. Aric Armell seconded.

**VOTE:** (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

**ELECTION BOARD MEMBER:**

Louis LaRose motioned to appoint Daphne Evans to the Election Board vacancy. Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

**TRIBAL MEMBER REQUEST:**

Lorelei DeCora motioned to authorize assistance for Bernadette White Twin house fire in Venice, FL early this am. Aric Armell seconded.

**OBJECT:** Louis LaRose  
**VOTE:** (4) yes, LD, AA, RS, IS (0) no (2) abstain, KM, LLR  
Motion carried.

**NIGC LETTER:**

Louis LaRose motioned to authorize the chair to take all actions necessary to respond to the NIGC Letter. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

**VOTE:** (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:**

Aric Armell motioned to adjourn at 10:03 a.m. Kenneth Mallory seconded.

**VOTE:** (6) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

Vice Chairman Chamberlain adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

**WINNEBAGO TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING  
October 3, 2022**

**TRIBAL COUNCIL PRESENT:**

- Brian Chamberlain
- Brandon Stout
- Lorelei DeCora
- Rona Stealer
- Louis LaRose
- Coly Brown
- Kenneth Mallory
- Isaac Smith
- Aric Armell

**TRIBAL COUNCIL ABSENT:**

- Victoria Kitcheyan (travel)

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

- Tyresha Wolfe
- Ramona Sheridan
- Lynelle Blackhawk
- Teresa Littlegeorge
- Daryl LaPointe, Jr.
- Randy DeCora
- Dan Fehringer
- Kiva Harden-Free
- Esther Mercer

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Chairman Brian Chamberlain called to order at 9:09 am

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Aric Armell offered the opening prayer.

**APPROVE AGENDA:**

Louis LaRose motioned to approve the agenda. Aric Armell seconded.

**VOTE:** (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

**READING OF THE MINUTES:**

1. 9-19-22 Mid-Monthly Tribal Council meeting minutes

Aric Armell motioned to approve the September 19, 2022, Mid-Monthly Tribal Council meeting minutes. Louis LaRose seconded.

**VOTE:** (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

2. 9-27-22 Emergency Services Report meeting minutes

Coly Brown motioned to approve the September 27, 2022, Emergency Services Report meeting minutes. Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
*Motion carried.*

3. 9-27-22 General Counsel meeting minutes

Coly Brown motioned to approve the September 27, 2022, General Counsel meeting minutes. Rona Stealer seconded.

**VOTE:** (7) yes (0) no (0) abstain  
Motion carried.

4. 9-28-22 Treasurer's Report meeting minutes

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT!!



Big Fire Law & Policy Group LLP is a prominent tribal law firm providing legal representation and advocacy in a broad range of services, with an emphasis in tribal law and federal Indian law serving tribal nations, tribal business enterprises and tribal organizations throughout the United States.

As a Paralegal with Big Fire Law & Policy Group LLP, you will provide paralegal support to our team on a variety of matters primarily in our corporate transactional practice group, with litigation paralegal support at times. The work requires professionalism, initiative, accuracy, discretion, and confidentiality.

### Job Duties:

- Assist with client contact and organization of client files
- Draft corporate and business organizational documents
- Draft and assist attorneys with general corporate and business transactional matters
- Draft and manage litigation documents, including declarations, motions, orders, and organize exhibits
- Basic research, including analyzing and understand rules of civil procedure and local court rules

Maintain calendars and provide billing/invoice processing support

Conduct research, coordinate internal resources when necessary, and review various documentation to obtain necessary information for document drafting

- Manage client assignment and project management matrix
- Designing, proofing, and formatting legal filings, as well as basic drafting, including extensive revision by following written and oral directions
- Drafting correspondence to and contacting third parties via telephone, email, and letter
- Opening, closing, and maintaining organized hard copy and electronic files
- Work independently and as part of a team towards common goal of excellent client service
- Ability to work under pressure/ deadlines and to perform multiple tasks simultaneously; self-motivated

### Requirements:

- Associates Degree or Certification in Paralegal Studies
- Strong interpersonal skills, detail orientated, results driven with exceptional analytical skills
- 3-5 years minimum transactional legal experience
- Advanced Proficiency in Microsoft Office 365 applications, Adobe Acrobat and
- Cloud based software solutions

- Excellent proof reading and editing skills
- Proven organizational and multi-tasking skills
- Superior verbal and written communication skills

### Preferred:

- Native American law experience

### Benefits:

Big Fire Law & Policy Group's mission is to provide excellent legal services and an outstanding client experience, balanced with a work atmosphere that promotes individual betterment and professional exceptionalism. We build incredible trust with our clients by encouraging our attorneys to be the best at what they do, and to do so in the best possible way.

Annual salary that is competitive, compensating for talent, expertise, and performance

Opportunity to participate in the firm's 401k plan

Enrollment in the firm's medical insurance plan

Opportunity to earn annual bonuses

Unlimited paid time off for attorneys (billable time requirement applies)

Work -life balance and employee wellness promoted environment

Job Type: Full-time

Office: Winnebago, NE

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## ANOTHER RECAP OF NOTABLE MOMENTS IN 2022



**Bottom Left on down:**

The line was full with customers ready for the Grand Opening of WarHorse Casino.



**Ho-Chunk Inc.'s Annette Hamilton, Erin Morgan, Angel Derochie greet incoming customers with a high five!**



**Customers were full of excitement as they entered the temporary building for Warhorse Casino.**



**Bottom Right on down:**

Danelle Smith was honored with a plaque and star quilt for her years of service with the WCHS.



**Tribal Council Members were sworn in after the November Tribal Council elections, as well as the elected officers.**



**Tribal Council and others announce the "internet for all" grant that the tribe recently received.**

**Winna Vegas**  
CASINO ♦ RESORT



**Saturday, December 31, 2022**  
**7pm to 11pm & 1am**

Win your share of \$10,000 in cash and prizes. Every 60 minutes we'll draw one winner of \$1,000 cash from 7pm to 11pm. Then after the clock strikes Midnight we'll draw one winner of \$5,000 cash at 1am!

Join us for a Happy Noon Year and Happy New Year's Eve celebration complete with party favors, balloon drops and complimentary champagne!



Swipe daily for one FREE entry every day in December. Earn additional entries for every point earned.

**WHEELIN' & DEALIN' CAR**  
**GIVEAWAY**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023**  
**2PM TO 5PM**

Win a 2022 Alfa Romeo Stelvio Velvia! It's all up to you! Keep the key and try your luck or pick the cash envelope. It all starts here at 2pm when we pick four winners every 30 minutes to wheel and deal for a brand-new car or up to \$1,000 cash!

Swipe daily for one FREE entry every day in December! Earn additional entries for every point earned.

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