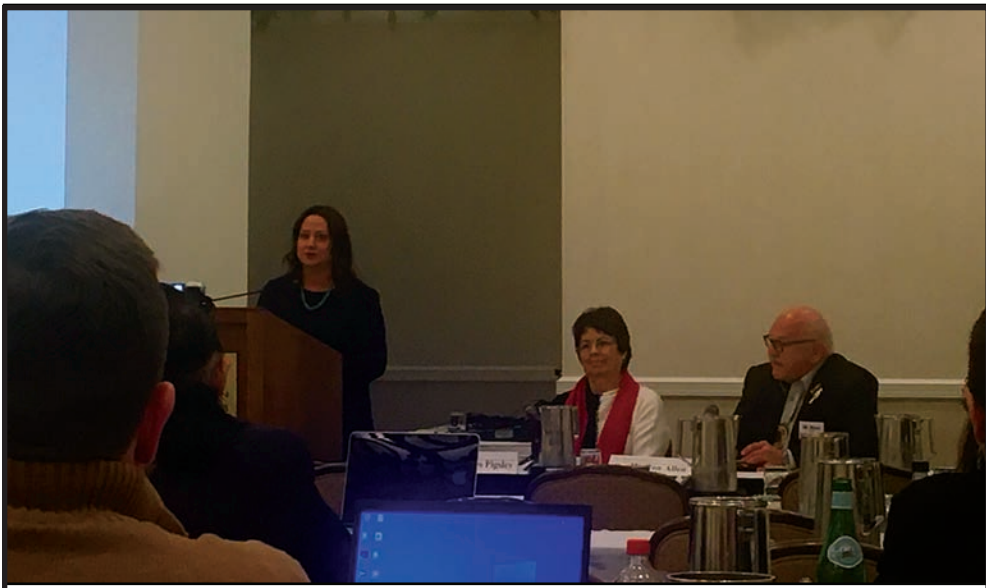




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Tribal Chairman Delores Pigsley (center) participates on a panel at the Northwest Gaming Law Summit in Seattle on Dec. 11.

To the editor:

Hello 2020 and a Happy New Year to friends, family and our Tribal members near and far.

I am Gloria Ingle. I am the daughter of Edward and Dolores Rilatos and it has been my honor to serve on The Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians for the past six years. At the last General Council meeting, I declared my candidacy for another three-year term.

During the past couple years we have begun several projects that will be of immense benefit to the Tribe and I would like to see them completed as a councilman working on your behalf. It takes time to really understand the many things that come up during a councilman's day. Each decision we make is important and some are beyond difficult to make. The decisions I make I truly believe are in the best interest of Tribal members based on the best information I have at the time. The council is fortunate to be supported by a knowledgeable group of CTSI employees.

Because respect is earned and not just given, I have always tried to listen, act when necessary and be as kind and considerate as possible. I acknowledge the fact that as a councilman I always represent the council and the people of this Tribe.

All this being said, I ask for your vote in February. I hope you have confidence that I can represent you well during the next three years. Huu-cha

Respectfully,
Gloria Ingle



To the editor:

In regard to 2020 census questionnaire guide information in *Siletz News* (December 2019):

Tribal instructions per questionnaire. Even those who are not enrolled but who have Siletz ancestry should follow this 2020 census questionnaire guide.

Government funding, a pond of 800 billion to fish from, utilized by enrolled Tribal members. It's not being used by all who report to the Census utilizing a status of Siletz ancestry. I feel this substantiates to me the reasoning why we shouldn't have a Tribal blood quantum policy.

Our Tribal ancestors literally walked the walk. It's time, I believe, for (all) Tribal direct descendants (a good representation of our Tribe as a whole) to talk the talk. Equal representation for all direct descendants of Siletz ancestry should be given a voice.

Blood quantum discriminates. Unfortunately all too often, I believe, quantum weakens Tribal homes and Tribal communities. This can play, I believe, into the hands of those who may have ulterior motives.

I am a daughter, sister, mother, grandmother and a Tribal elder who has forever looked and worked toward the betterment of our Tribe as a whole.

I believe direct descendancy leads to honest integrity and fair representation for all Tribal members and their families.

Last, but certainly not the least, the spark that awakens the darkness is direct descendancy.

Respectfully submitted,
Eva E. Clayton

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