

friendly. He is looking at those candidates that are in support of Indian projects. He feels that they are looking at being interdependent and part of this is being involved in a non-Indian world on issues.

Ed Ben stated that in the last newsletter he read that the Election Committee is changing their rules and one of the rules they are changing is that no candidates fairs would be out in the community supported by tribal funds. He stated that when it first started, the Salem office staff invited people out in regards to their concerns. He stated that the tribe took on the development of the Portland, Springfield and Salem and now there is not going to be a candidates fair in the areas, but it is important enough to have one in Siletz. Ed thinks that this stinks and we need to be fair with our people. He stated that we need to look at the accusations at Wounded Knee. He feels that if the position is that the fairs are not needed in the areas then we have to support the concept that the candidate fairs are not needed in Siletz as well. He is deeply hurt that the committee would even suggest a policy that was approved to divorce ourselves from the areas.

Dee stated that council voted on not having the candidates fairs sponsored by the Election Board and instead providing voters pamphlets.

CANDIDATES:

Pat Morrell thanked Dee. Pat explained that she has asked to have her name changed back to Morrell. She stated that she has been in Utah living on a reservation for the last two years. When she came back it was under harsh circumstances. She stated that it was through the tribe there with their programs that she was able to get back home to her family. She had no money and no job. She stated that the Housing sent her a form to fill out with a lot of information and told her that there were also 30 or so other people on the waiting list. Her family has helped her through these times. She feels that her tribe is not helping their people. She feels that with Self-Governance the jobs are being shifted in different areas. She does not understand why tribal members do not have more, they should come before anyone else. She stated that Nelsen told her that 80% of the tribal employees are not in management positions and she would like to see that change.

Don Hudson stated that he has worked with the tribe for a number of years and with different programs. He talked about meetings 21 years ago that were about seeking restoration. He has been involved with this from the very beginning. He stated that it was very hard then, but he is glad to see the programs in place. He would like to see change and he will do that if you want change then vote for him and if not vote for those that are in the seat now. He stated that he has been involved in the Grand Ronde and the Siletz Tribes and proud to be both.

Reggie Butler Sr. stated that he retired from the woods after working 44 years. He is now employed as Security by the tribe. He is worried about our people. He stated that managers are being hired with a high school education, our people have no place to turn and that is why he is running for council. He stated that two of the council members have been in since the tribe was restored and Jessie has been in for two terms. How do we get ahead? He stated that we need to put education up higher and not lower. He stated that with the gaming it has set us back two years just because they wanted it in their back yard. He stated that now they want to reorganize STEDCO and how many millions later. Nobody knows what is going on, just what they tell you here. He stated that you have to let the people on the outside know what is going on. He stated that there is a lot of education out there, but how do you get in, not unless you are in the family. He asked who is on the hiring committee? He stated that they took away the tribal preference right there. He stated that if you vote for him, he will be there for you all the way and if you cannot do the job

then get down. He stated that if you vote for him, good and if you want it the same way, good and if you vote him in he will be in your corner all the way.

Jessie Davis stated that she has been the Vice-Chairman for the last 6 years and she has served two terms. She stated that when she first started the tribe was receiving 2 million dollars and now the tribe is receiving 15 million. She stated that when Reggie asked who is on the interview committees that it all depends, they are not always the same people. She stated that she has worked hard to get the gaming. She has made a commitment as a Council Person. She works towards the medical care. She stated that she looks at what the tribe has without gaming. There is not enough timber to keep the government going. She is not saying that gaming is the answer to everything, but it will give the Tribe more opportunities. She stated that in order to serve the people, she would like to be a part of this.

Mary Fisher stated that she is running for Council. She has been here for 21 years. She stated that she started out when there was nothing. We now have health, housing, education and a clinic. Without health, education and employment may not be possible. She stated that not one person decides, it takes all nine members working together to come to a decision. She stated that Health is number one for her now. She asked for everybody to get out there and vote for someone.

Dee stated that she has served on council from 1975 to 1980 and then from 1983 to the present time. She stated that it has been a long time, but a challenging time. She stated that since the vote in the grange hall when we lobbied for health, education and now we have one of the nicest clinics and are working on an administration Building for all the employees. She stated that she has heard many concerns

regarding housing, education, medical needs, etc. She stated that she feels badly that we do not have emergency HIP funds, but proud that there is a clinic in the area. She feels that

everyone has benefited from the health care and not only those in the service area, but those out of the service area also. She stated that when she was on the council in 1979 she was the Secretary/Treasurer. They would pass the cup and get maybe 15 dollars. She stated that those in attendance were few. We've come along ways. We now have nine very active Tribal Council people and you can send anyone of these nine members out to meetings, etc. and they are competent. We compete for Self-Governance Dollars with all the other tribes. We compete over Gaming Self-Governance, and expanding the land base. She hopes that you will support her in this effort.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ron Depoe announced that his father had a heart attack and is not doing well. He would like our prayers.

Ed Ben announced that he visited Pauline Ricks and she seems to be doing real well. He wishes her well. He also said that Melvin Downey is recovering from surgery and would like for Eddie to get in contact with him. He said that Tiny Baker is recovering in the Salem area.

Mini Pow wow at the Siletz School on Friday, November 9th at 12:00 p.m. Mike Darcy would like for everyone to attend.

Veteran's are meeting at the Siletz School on Thursday, November 10th at 9:00 a.m.

There will be Positive Parenting meetings at the Siletz School on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m..

The Siletz Tribal Restoration Celebration is going to be held on Government Hill on Saturday, November 19th at 12:00 noon.

Bud Lane, Robert Kentta, Reggie Butler, Frank Simmons and many more have been working on a plank house. They are all donating their time for this.

Eddie Collins has been donating his time to clean up the graves.

Joel Strong and Family have been traditionally gathering clams for the Restoration Dinner.

Amos Arden thanked the Tribal Council for the Health Care, Burial Insurance and Education. He is aware of all the time they spend working to get this for the people. He would like council to visit the areas.

The Siletz Tribal Bingo will now be operating two nights a week. Starting Thursday, November 10th there will be Bingo on Thursday and Friday nights.