

Agency District Candidates Continued

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ture generations, just as our forefathers did so that our generation would have something to work with and profit by. We need to stop thinking selfishly about just ourselves, let's be looking out for our children and grandchildren's future.

Another concern to me is the extremely high electricity bills we have received for the past three winters. Like many of you, I feel that the reasons the company gives are not acceptable. Adjustments need to be made and other options

explored. Maybe we need to consider a change of power sources to one which is more realistic and affordable to us.

Although I am running as an Agency District representative, I welcome any and all members of our other districts to come and ask me questions about my position on any subject. I will be glad to give you a straight-forward answer. My qualifications for being a representative are and will remain a common sense and good judgement approach before making any decision.



Delton J. Switzler

I feel that integrity is a

key factor in decision making and dealing and representing the people. I feel that a person must be honest with himself to be able to resolve problems faced by Council. I feel that I can do this for the majority of the people who are represented by tribal government.

It is important to deal honestly with all groups involved with our tribal system. I intend to be honest with all the people of the tribes. I view the tribal council position as being employed by the enrolled member population. They are the employers of Tribal Council.

If I am elected I will to the best of my ability, serve the people and help to resolve issues that arise and are relevant to the position of a Tribal Council member.



Raymond Gene Smith

Background

My name is Raymond Gene Smith, forty years of age and an enrolled tribal member of the Confederated Tribes. I am the oldest of eight children of Grant Smith, Sr. and Josepha Vivian Adams Smith (deceased). I am the father of five enrolled children, four of which reside on the reservation.

Qualifications

Although never having served on the Tribal Council, I have served as a public servant; Law Enforcement official, for nearly seventeen years; for various city, county and on several Indian reservations as a BIA em-

ployee. During this time I have served as an administrator (police), having to deal with tribal governments varying sophistication and with numerous other governmental units that interface with the Indian system.

To my credit, I have been directly and/or indirectly involved in: a. researching, developing and implementing law and order programs; b. researching, developing and implementing tribal court systems; c. researching, and developing and implementing tribal policies and procedures related to Social service programs; d. personnel management; e. researching, developing and implementing employee training programs, many areas in law enforcement. I am a certified instructor and have instructed at the state, county, and tribal and college level; f. research, develop and implement program goals and objectives; g. budget preparations, justification and compliance; h. member and participation of various groups and organizations and impact tribal sovereignty.

In retrospect, I would bring to the Tribal Council the experience and wisdom of many tribal leaders, government officials and private organizations whom I have worked and served with. This experience would be a valuable asset in terms of principles, concepts and methodical approaches to

Tribal concerns as they relate to Tribal organization goals and objectives.

Foundation of candidacy

A. fair, unbiased representation of the people; b. management accountability for services, expenditures and operations; c. advocate for tribal employment to qualified applicants; d. review, revise and implement sound management concepts; e. continuity of services to the membership provided by the tribal organization; f. restore the integrity of the judicial services system; g. restore the tribal membership input into the direction and progress of the tribal organization.

Summary

The Tribal Council is charged with the responsibility for continuous exercise of authority over and the performance of functions of the tribal organization.

The Council is empowered to conduct business of Confederated Tribes, authority which is derived from: A. The treaty of 1855; b. The Wheeler-Howard Act 1934; c. The tribal constitution and by-laws; d. the tribes corporate charter; e. various subsequent Federal laws, rules and regulations.

The strength of our tribal government is only effective as support and assistance that it receives from within,

tribal leadership and membership, complimented by what it receives from its Fiduciary without. Not with standing numerous concerns and issues have been raised by the tribal membership through various petitions and district meetings. The existing council has evaded the issues and attempted to circumvent the concerns via legal channels.

The integrity of the Tribe has consistently been at issue because of tribal concerns instead of the leadership and management concepts presently employed.

This trait is quite evident in the programmatic goals and objectives presented in the 1986 budget proposal. Most of the goals listed are vague, ambiguous and unachievable.

Change is in order for the Tribal Council membership and I want to be a part of that change. If we as a Tribe are to continue to exercise self-government powers and our sovereign rights the people must act now and bring about necessary change. Those changes should have the foundation of need plus justification plus compliance and accountability, a process readily identifiable with a sound and strong government.

I would appreciate your support and vote on election day.

Candidate withdraws from bid for seat

Charles V. Jackson

To: Tribal Council members, Agency District voters, fellow tribal members:

I regret that I am not able to accept the nomination to stand for election to the next Tribal Council. This very difficult decision was reached by weighing several important factors, including the following:

1. Departmental and Bureau of Indian Affairs

regulations would not allow me to retain my present position and serve efficiently on the Tribal Council. To be effective, a Tribal Councilman must participate in Council sessions, and to participate effectively, one must devote many additional hours in both preparation and follow-up work. As others will undoubtedly attest, attempting to perform full-time job responsibilities as well as serve on the Tribal Council at

the same time will result in mediocre performance in one or both areas. The voters of the Agency District deserve more.

2. Due to family and personal responsibilities, outright job resignation is not a viable alternative.

3. Departmental regulations do allow Bureau employees to serve their communities in less demanding elected or appointed positions, as long as no real or apparent conflict of interest

is created between the employee's Bureau responsibilities and the tribal service. This option remains available for me while employed by the Bureau and would not obscure the "trusteeship" role fulfilled by Bureau officials.

4. An equally important function of Bureau officials is to advise Tribal Councils regarding all aspects of tribal governmental affairs to further tribal self-determination. These responsi-

bilities include working with tribal members to ensure their informed participation in local tribal issues. I will retain my personal commitment to strive for more effective tribal member and participation in local tribal affairs.

There are several candidates from the Agency District that have demonstrated the necessary ability, judgment, commitment and integrity required for Tribal Council service. Not

everyone can be a Tribal Councilman. Yet as tribal members we can all find a way to contribute to the well-being of the Tribe and the community. That is both our right as well as our duty. In that spirit I sincerely appreciate your confidence and trust expressed by the nomination. I ask for your understanding of my decision that, at this time, I feel that I may best serve the Tribe in another capacity.

Seekseequa District Candidates



Margie (Kalama) Earl

Margorie (Margie) Marie Kalama Earl; 31 years old, married, two children; 2524 Greeley Hts, Phase II; Warm Springs, Oregon.

During the past 10 years

I have worked at the Macy's Store and with the Confederated Tribes, participated on the Early Childhood Parent Committee, the Johnson O'Malley Parent Committee, Tribal Land Use Committee, and Community Center Employee Sports.

I believe the Tribal Organization has the potential to recognize the tribal member as a vital link in its future, and was evident during the 1986 Budget request. The thoughts, opinions, foresight, and general openness expressed by the community at that time is not to be taken lightly, these ideas will blend and shape our Tribal Community of which I have the opportunity to be involved with. Your vote, support, and friendship for your chosen representative would increase the chance of developing our future. I ask for your vote and encourage you to cast a vote on April 3, 1986.



Vernon Henry

Here are some of my thoughts. Hard Drugs. I feel that all Tribal Employees should submit to a test at the Warm Springs

Clinic from the Chairman of the Tribal Council, to the entry level person at random selections.

Top Management—I fully support Doug McClelland and Ed Manion and do not feel there is a qualified member to replace them now.

Kah-Nee-Ta—moneydrainer. Only solution I can envision is a change in some of our board members not the general management.

Employment—We seem to be spending a lot of time and energy on training, and seem to be forgetting employment.

These are a few of our problems that are confronting us (Tribal Councilmen). We as Councilmen are being persecuted by some of the tribal members. However, being persecuted means that there is just finger pointing without no fact.

Everybody get out and vote!



Geraldine Jim

First I would like to thank the people for nominating me to run for a position on Tribal Council. If I am elected I will do my best for all tribal members. I can't make promises to any one person as I will be there to represent all the people and not just one or two.

I really think that the time has come for all Indians to learn to work and live together. In the past it seems the elders worked for the betterment of all Indian peo-

ple and not just for a small select group. That is why this reservation has the resources and enterprises that it has. If we are to survive as Indians then we must learn to accept that Indian does not mean to separate family from family or tribe from tribe.

I am willing to listen to all the people and make decisions that will best benefit the people of the Warm Springs tribes. Tribal Council needs to return to the original belief of listening to what the people have to say and what the people want. After all Council members are selected by the people and I believe that is where the power of the tribes belongs.

I think the time has come to employ tribal members in jobs here on the reservation; in our offices, in the mill, in management. We have to start and now is the time. I think that if tribal members are always looked at as not being ready to be put to work then they will never get the chance. Many are ready to go to work for their government. Other people have been trained on the job and it should be our members.

I would like all the people to get out to vote. This is an important election as are all tribal elections.

Seekseequa voters will vote for two candidates