

Tribal Council Travel Report  
United Tribes of Michigan  
Meeting May 12, & 13, 2014

Arrived at the Soaring Eagle Hotel, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan at 9:45 am in time to make the meeting arranged by Chair Sault Tribe Aaron Payment with Congress person Mark Schauer who is a candidate for Governor. Schauer's message was good government, which include jobs, training for jobs, better schools, he believes in the federal government's Common CORE policy for education, and more equality for all. Mr. Schauer would like to have a meet and greet with the executive, council and citizens of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians regarding his message for becoming governor of the state of Michigan.

After lunch at 1:30 pm Tribal Leaders and Governor Rick Snyder held the Annual Tribal Summit.

Governor Snyder told leaders that he plans on appointing a "liaison" between the State and Tribes. Snyder mentions he would like to work more closely between MEDC and Tribes for more job creation and find ways to work together for a better economy.

Messages from Tribal Leaders were, the Ambridge pipe lines problems that could arise with the ageing lines 55 year old on the floor of the Great Lakes and the lasting affects the pipe line break in the Kalamazoo River. Tribal Leaders mentioned there has been no consultations between the state and Tribes. Items talked about; 1. How can we work together? 2. Healthy Michigan. 3. Invasive species in our Great Lakes working together with the other states and Canada that bordered the Great Lakes. 4. How can we work together to build a better economy and create more jobs. 5. Helping our Veterans. 6. Indian Tuition Waiver. 7. Make sure the legislators listen and learn regarding Tribal Communities and issue of human trafficking. 7. Hydro fracking. 8. Need for assistance when it comes to Behavioral Health issues.

I think if the Governor Snyder establishes the liaison position it's a start for better relations with the Tribes. It amazes me that the State of Michigan political leaders are so ill informed on Tribal issues.

Tuesday's meeting see attached agenda and printed materials attached.

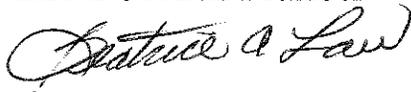
EPA Tribal Liaison spoke on the lack of an area director not being appointed by Washington, DC, office of the EPA last 7 years. She feels that they want all the direction to come from DC. The UTM Resolution opposing the regional

restructuring was tabled. Motion passed,"that the United Tribes of Michigan opposes the continued use of the "Redskins" name by the Washington, DC, NFL football team".

Ten of the UTM members were present for this meeting. Next meeting will be October, 2014 date to be announced.

Miigwech, to the Tribe and its Citizens for allowing me to attend. I believe these meetings are sentential and lend to better relations with our sister Tribes.

Tribal Council Member

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beatrice A. Law".

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