**BIG GRASSY RIVER FIRST NATION**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**Big Grassy River Elders Advisory Council (regular meeting)**

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| **Date**  | **November 9, 2021**  |
| **Time**  | **1:00 p.m.**  |
| **Location**  | BGR Community Hall  |

**Meeting Chair** Robert Archie (Ana-kinoot-amagaa)

**Facilitator:** Daryl Archie

**Invited/Expected Attendees:**Elders Advisory Council Members

**Smudge:**  **Opening Prayer:**Robert Archie

**Call to Order:** 2:00 pm

**Approval of Minutes:**For October 19, 2021**Motion:** Robert Archie **Seconded:** Virginia Archie ***Approved***

**Roll Call:** Virginia Archie, Vicky Gibbins, Susan Archie, Robert Archie, Barbara Wilson, Bella Andy, Brian Major Sr., Marlene Indian, Lorna Shields

**Other:**

**Regrets:** Joe Andy, Bill Morrison, David Copenace

**Reading of Agenda for *November 9, 2021***

**(Additional items?)**

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| **Agenda Items:**  | **Time Allowed**  |
|  **1. Transportation for Elders** *Daryl sent an email requesting a van to James Comegan and the MDC Board* *members, so far two Board Members approve of the request.**- Daryl will get back to the Elders on James Comegan’s answer at the next meeting.* *- James Comegan hasn’t replied by email yet so Daryl left a message on his cell phone.**Deb Ludeman hasn’t replied to the email yet.* *- Allen Morrison and Chris Morrison said they will look for a van in Winnipeg*  *- Daryl will to phone Allen or Chris to look for a large mini-van.*  *- The Elders would like a regular larger mini-van.* - Transportation for Elders to shop for groceries, etc. - Make sure there is a secure driver that won’t take advantage of the van. - Ask if they could apply for a handicap sticker. -  |  15min |
|  **2.** **Restorative Justice Update**- Daryl called Arthur Huminuk, Justice Director Treaty 3 Office, for information on Training for Elders.***The training will be held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 11:00 am – 4:30 pm****Mandy Fisk and Sherry Cameron, Community Justice Team Lead from Fort Frances Office will come with Arthur Huminuk to do the training.****Questions: How many First Nations are operating under this program.******How successful is it working? Will ask Arthur when he does the training.***- Ask Arthur H. where they got the spelling and meaning for “***Kaakewaaseya”******Thomas White provided the name,*** *Arthur Huminuk will give more information when they come here and to do the training. Will explain what the logo means.* - The Elders from Naotkamegwanning know more of the old Ojibway language/words   - Justin Boucha can be contacted for information 275-7329 - Daryl will invite Justin Boucha to visit the Elders and speak about Restorative Justice and how it’s working in his community. ***Daryl tried calling but this is a wrong number – will find the right number from Barbara W.*** -  | 30 min |
| **3. First Nation Elders Website – Firstnationelders.com**- To plan a visit there with the Elders, will look for funding from one of the Trusts and make arrangements.- *Daryl called and spoke to Peter White, he said he can come here and do a presentation to tell the BGR Elders about the Ki’eshgitabaaning Cultural and Healing Lodge.**- Peter White to come and do a presentation on Tuesday, December 14, 2021**- It would be good to hear exactly what those words mean, (e.g. Ki’eshgitabaaning), etc.*  | 15 min |
|  **3. Flood Claim Money**- what to do with the money? - save for the youth in future - not good to do a 100% payout - make money with the Flood Claim money - use for Housing - Also programs for kids and young adults - Education programs on-reserve for young adults -Invite Glenn to talk about the Flood Claim Compensation money at the next Elders meeting on November 18, 2021 at 1:00 pm |  |
|  **4. Vandalism on Reserve**- Been a lot of stuff going on, busted windows, vandalism at fishhouse, Brian’s trailer windows busted, we have to do something before more happens, we need a street patrol like they do in Kenora, call it in to the police - How do we keep kids from doing it again?- Approach Leaders to start a Street Patrol. - Step in as Elders - A curfew would have too many things involved  - Leadership should find ways to keep the community members safe- Ask the Chief and/or Councillors to inform Elders of why the Treaty 3# Police office is there? -  |  |

**Motion to Adjourn:** Robert Archie **Seconded by:** Lorna Shields

**Adjourned:** 3:33 pm

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, November 18, 2021 1:00 pm at BGR Community Hall