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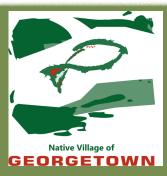
Covid-19 has changed the way that people can interact. We all see the efforts to fight Covid-19 often mean that offices are closed to the public. As of the publishing of the newsletter, the office is closed to the public. However, we are hoping to have it open to visitors by early May as cases of Covid subside.

Until our office is back open to the public we are looking at ways to increase interactions with the members of Georgetown but without compromising their health. Additionally, we want to hear from you on how we can get better at the services we do and expand on the services that we do offer.

Here are the questions we have for Georgetown Members:

- What could be done to improve the website?
- What could be done to improve the newsletter?
- What information would be useful posted on Facebook?
- · What services should we provide?

Send your suggestions to info@georgetowntc.com. We will respond.



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Seat B/ Term expires:2023

Member Irene Venes Seat D/ Term expires:2022

Member Gary Fredericks Seat E/Term expires:2021

STAFF

Tribal Administrator Adrian LeCornu

Environmental Coordinator

Program Director Eric Dietrich

Updates

The Native Village of Georgetown is pleased to announce the availability for CARES act funding as a needs-based program. These funds are a temporary funding opportunity to help offset expenses for education, retaining, rent, mortgage and utilities, job loss, or other impacts to households impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

Please complete the form at Georgetowntc.com or request a form by calling: 907-274-2195 or by email: info@georgetowntc.com This is not a per-capita distribution. Financial support is for COVID-19 related impacts. Eligibility requirements apply. Deadline to apply is August 1, 2021.

Quarterly Council Meetings

Hello all Georgetown Tribal Members. It has been brought to our attention that some or our members are unaware that every one of you is welcome to sit in and participate in all quarterly meetings. The thoughts and concerns of all tribal members are welcomed and we encourage you to get involved if you have the time. Most meetings take place in Anchorage for those in the area and we are trying to improve our conference call system for those who are not. At these meetings, a set agenda goes over Administrative and Staff reports, Committee Reports, New Business and Old Business bulletin points usually with great discussion.

The next quarterly meeting is set for June 19 (probably in Anchorage) and we encourage each and all of you to attend or participate if you can. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact any of the Council members and/or reach out to the staff at the office

Vice Chairperson - David "Buddy" Kutch

Tribal ID Cards

New and improved tribal IDs are available for Georgetown members. If you still have one from the 90s or early 2000s, you're due for an upgrade! All we need is a headshot on a plain (i.e. whitish) background. For those of you in the Anchorage area, you can get one locally at our office on Arctic Blvd. For those within email range, you can email info@georgetowntc.com for more info. Tribal IDs are free of charge to all members.



Georgetown Tribal Council March 13, 2021 Quarterly Meeting

The Georgetown Tribal Council the Governing Body of the Native Village of Georgetown met on March 13, 2021. Council Members that attended the in-person meeting were Traci Maczynski, Gary Fredericks, David Kutch, Valerie Dudley, and Irene Venes.

During the meeting the Council:

- * Tabled the approval of the minutes from the quarterly meeting held on December 12, 2020.
- * Invited Patty Yaska from The Kuskokwim Corporation(TKC) for introductions as one of TKC's rural outreach coordinators.
- * Amended the agenda to include Resolution 21-02 under New Business
- * Approved the meeting agenda
- * Reviewed the Administrative Report from the Environmental Department, the Program Director, and the Tribal Administrator.
- * Reviewed the financial documents for the guarter.
- * Heard the from the Environmental Committee
- * Heard from the Land Committee
- * Heard from the Community Building Committee
- * Discussed the proposed land selection for Nagamut Limited on the George River above Georgetown. Tentative meeting with Nagamut April 5th
- * Discussed the community building update. Heard David Kutch on current progress and upcoming plans. Heard from Jerry Fredericks on pricing the building supplies and shipping to Georgetown and possible price increases.
- * Discussion and concerns for testing workers for Covid before and during work on the community building.
- * Discussed the needed maintenance needs on the boat in Red Devil.
- * Approved the Tribal Administrator will contact the Prop Shop in Bethel about maintenance on the boat
- * Approved contacting Robert Vanderpool in Georgetown to see if he would be able to move the two connex vans across the river and to get a price quote for the work.
- * Discussed the Proposed Regional Tribal Government
- * Heard from the Tribal Administrator on the update on filling the vacant Environmental Coordinator position.

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Environmental

Environmental Department Update

Our Environmental Coordinator, Sam Bundy, left our organization at the beginning of March leaving a vacant position on our staff. A job announcement was placed at the beginning of March with a deadline of April 1st for candidates to submit their resumes. Our Tribal Administrator is currently reviewing the candidates for the interview process. We are hoping to have the position filled soon so we can get the new Environmental Coordinator up to speed in time to do water quality testing in Georgetown by late spring or early summer.

At the last Council meeting, Jonathan Samuelson was selected to represent Georgetown as the Commissioner for the Kuskokwim River Inter Tribal Fish Commission. Jonathan has previously served in this capacity several years back and was a strong advocate for Georgetown with the organization.



That's all for this update. As always, updates and information can be found on the Georgetown website or our Facebook page. Have a great summer!



Community Building Update

As some of you may know, phase 2 construction of the community building was halted during the Spring/Summer of 2020 due to the COVID-19 precautions in our region. We planned to continue phase 2 this Spring/Summer, but with unknown circumstances like rising material costs, regional pandemic protocols, health risks to crew, and additional logistics we have decided to postpone it once again. If things do change for the better, we will move forward accordingly in hopes to finish the community building as soon as possible. You can find phase 1 pictures of the community building on our Facebook page.



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- * Heard from the Tribal Administrator on the Foraker Group and taxes and services provided.
- * Discussed the Annual meeting and moved the discussion to the next quarterly meeting.
- * Reviewed the creation of tribal ID card in the office and at the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP)
- * Reviewed the results of the COVID Relief Survey
- * Approved the Tribal Administrator to send out an application to members to distribute the remaining CARES funds.
- * Approved Resolution 21-01 A Resolution to approve the payment to Premera Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alaska for health insurance premium
- * Approved Resolution 21-02 Resolution delegating the consultation authority of member tribes to appoint a commissioner & alternate to the Kuskokowim River Inter Tribal Fish Commission



From the Region

Napaimute Ice Road Crew

The Native Village of Georgetown would like to acknowledge and appreciate the hard work and dedication of the Napaimute ice road crew for maintaining the Kuskokwim River ice road. With a high volume of snowfall and overflow this year, the people of our region would not be able to safely drive on the river without the effort of the road crew. They worked day and night over the last few months and although the road wasn't as long as in the past, it was still extremely vital for YKHC to get COVID-19 vaccines to villages. On behalf of our tribal members and people of the region, a big QUYANA to all who participated this year.

Real Diehl Racing

We would like to congratulate Richie Diehl of Aniak on a great season of driving dogs. In fine fashion, Richie won the Bogus Creek 150 and the famous Kuskokwim 300 sled dog races this year. He then drove those beautiful dogs to a 9th place finish in the Iditarod just a few weeks ago. It is great to see one of our own work hard, compete, and succeed amongst the best mid-and long distance mushers from around the world. Congratulations Richie!! (https://www.facebook.com/diehlracing)

Snowpack and River Break Up

As most of us know, it has been a throwback to the older days when we consider how much snow the Kuskokwim Region has received this year. We hope it hasn't had a negative effect on our members and as "break-up" time nears, we wish everyone up and down the river a safe spring season. Please remember to take safety precautions when traveling and please follow BSAR (Bethel Search and Rescue) guidance as rivers and lakes begin to thaw out. (https://www.facebook.com/bethelsar)

What's Cooking?

Picnic Bars

Ingredients

1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup sugar

1/4 cup baking cocoa

1/2 cup cold butter, cubed

2 large eggs

1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk

2 cups semisweet chocolate chips, divided

1 cup chopped walnuts

Directions

- 1. In a large bowl, combine flour, sugar and cocoa; cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in eggs. Set aside 1-1/2 cups for topping.
- 2. Press remaining crumb mixture into a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan. Bake at 350° for 6-8 minutes or until set.
- 3. Meanwhile, in a saucepan, combine milk and 1 cup of chocolate chips; cook and stir over low heat until melted. Carefully spread over crust. Combine reserved crumb mixture with nuts and remaining chips. Sprinkle over chocolate layer.
- 4. Bake for 15-20 minutes or until top is set (chips will not look melted). Cool before cutting. TasteofHome.com

Birthday Wishes to...

Todd Fredericks George Fredericks Jr Dina Notti Kristopher Vanderpool

May

pool
Michael Binnig
Aden Greydanus
Ronnie Vanderpool
Madalyn Evans
Calvin Cockroft

luna

Christopher Fredericks
Zachary Fredericks
Will Hartman
Kaelen Rosander
Betty Vanderpool
Dino Notti
Mary Binnig
Connor Dudley
Kattie Wilmarth
Austin Wilmarth

Jaylynda Notti Madasyn Evans Darlene Evans Brooklyn Green

July
Curtis Evans
Michael Murphy Jr
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Richelle Vanderpool
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Upcoming Events



Check us out on Facebook!

www.facebook.com/Georgetowntribalcouncil

May 9 Mother's Day 31 Memorial Day

June 20 Father's Day

July
4 Independence Day
5 Independence Day (observed) office closed

August
1 Deadline for CARES Act funding