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*"When the people fear the government, that's tyranny
When the government fears the people, that's liberty."*

Thomas Jefferson

Candidate Debates REPORT

As promised, I will be sharing with you what I witnessed at the Debate held last evening, Monday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m.

I was impressed with Monday night's event and highly recommend that all people make an effort to attend the one tonight, June 22, in Hominy at 7:00 p.m. This event will be held at the Hominy Community Center.

There were approximately 35 people in attendance not including the candidates. All candidates participated with the exception of John Red Eagle. All audience members were given index cards to write questions to the candidates. All questions were read aloud and then given to the candidates for their responses. Very good questions were asked and impressive answers were given by the candidates. Interaction was prevalent, the atmosphere was friendly and comfortable and the opportunity to learn what the candidates were thinking was most beneficial

In the best interest of our future, please consider attending one of these events. I saw no sign of Hepsi Barnett or any other major Gray supporter with the exception of Sandra Akin who seems to attend all meetings everywhere, all the time.

This opportunity was very informative and worthwhile.

Suspicion, Rumors & Politics

Before I begin; I ask that consideration be made to the following:

Disregard rumors, be cautious but follow your instincts, strive to be objective, keep an open mind, and be willing to listen to all candidates regardless of where your mind is today. Consider what is best for the Osage people as a whole and for heaven's sake, consider which candidates have the ability, the experience and Plan of Action to turn this potential demise around and lead us into a solid, prosperous future.

Set personalities aside. Regardless of whom you like or dislike with regard to individual citizens, keep in mind, this election is not about the citizens personalities. It's about who will be running our government affairs and where will they really be taking us. Will we be going nowhere or will we be diplomatically and professionally dug out from under our potentially fatal situation? Will our next Chief and Assistant Chief have the knowledge, experience and wherewithal not only to save our nation but to do so permanently by crossing every "T" and dotting every "I" for the sake of future generations?

Why This?

Many regulars didn't attend the meeting last night and it is my fear that they have made up their

minds prior to getting facts and listening to the candidates. The state of the Osage Nation cannot afford to do less than placing the most qualified candidates in the positions of Administration at this time. We are truly in a serious, time sensitive situation and we need the best and brightest people willing to take the task on straight away, without delay and with a solid plan of action.

REPORT

Tim Tallchief

With regard to the Oklahoma Tax Commission Case (Reservation Status), Tallchief has no question that the Reservation was diminished at the time of the 1906 Act. He understands that time must be preserved in order to make strong decisions regarding the three casinos in jeopardy; therefore he plans to take the path of least resistance, using this time to make arrangements that will soften the blow to our nation.

Tallchief indicated that two of the three Casinos were "on wheels," indicating a possible move to restricted land or purchasing land to put into trust in which to relocate these casinos. With regard to the Tulsa Casino which cannot be moved, he considers turning that facility into an Osage Tribal College if necessary, thereby enjoying a tax exempt status while educating our people.

His plans are to meet with the Governor, Attorney General and

Oklahoma Tax Commissioner, Scott Meecham in the immediate future to discuss alternatives, assistance, suggestions and team work that will accomplish a goal to resolve the impending matters.

With regard to self sufficiency for the Osage, Tallchief considers securing an Osage Construction Company, Banking facility and Tribal Health Clinic as opposed to the Indian Health Clinic. These considerations are in the interest of not only self sufficiency but decided financial profits and decreased expenses. Strong consideration to long-term health care and assisted living is prevalent in Tallchief's agenda.

When considering tourism, Tallchief takes into consideration that the Osages history in the state of Missouri holds potential due to the position of Branson, Missouri. Consideration in purchasing current restricted lands of the Osage is prevalent as well.

Tallchief stated he intends to bring new people into the Administration offices should he be elected the next Chief of the Osage Nation and that he will specifically consider educated, experienced candidates to assist him in his endeavors.

When asked if he recognized that changes in the Osage Nation Constitution were necessary, he indicated that he was aware that several changes would be necessary in order to move our nation forward. He referred to the U.S. Constitution and reminded us of the many changes made to it, indicating he is open to making changes as necessary.

When asked if he will include the Assistant Chief in all processes of his Administration, he stated that

he absolutely would. He believes the Assistant Chief should be completely abreast of all that he is doing in the event he has to be away.

He further stated that the Assistant Chief would have many responsibilities and that he would look to him or her for assistance, ideas and advice.

Amanda Proctor

Amanda is a candidate for Assistant Chief.

One consideration Amanda has is the possibility of a small Minimum Security Prison for Osage inmates under the Osage Judicial System. This facility would house only inmates charged with misdemeanors. According to Amanda, there is only one similar facility in the United States and the Bureau of Indian Affairs funds it substantially. Other tribes have been known to pay \$150.00 per inmate in the similar prison. She believes this would be a great benefit that would generate income.

With regard to tourism, Amanda has knowledge of other Tribes who have generated great revenue due to land acquisitions. These tribes have leased their lands to hunting groups which has proven to be very lucrative.

When asked if Amanda believed in the Osage LLC, she stated that she believed in instituting a separate enterprise to explore economic development but does not believe in giving any entity millions of dollars to play with. Amanda believes aggressive oversight of the LLC is in order.

As an Attorney, Amanda's comment when asked about the Oklahoma Tax Commission Case (Reservation Case) was that the case is over.

Scott BigHorse

Scott is a candidate for Assistant Chief.

With regard to economic development, Scott wants to enhance the Sand Springs Casino by putting in an "8" hole golf course, building a high rise motel and up scaling the casino. Scott envisions a panoramic view of Tulsa and the beautiful one-thousand year old trees in the roaring Osage hills.

Scott believes we should place a Palace Grocery Store in Pawhuska, Hominy and Fairfax and that someone with grocery and retail business experience should be brought in to manage these stores.

With regard to the Osage LLC, Scott wants to take a look at the contract and he wants to see a return on our money. He also believes we should keep business out of politics.

With regard to the Oklahoma Tax Commission Case (Reservation Case), Scott agrees with Tim Tallchief.

End of Report

Scott and Amanda were still being asked questions at 9:20 p.m. I left before the event was over therefore, am unable to complete the rest of the questions asked of Scott and Amanda.

I hope you found this report beneficial.-----Jenny Miller