

I wanted to let you know that I will be scheduling an informational meeting on the Beloit Casino Project. I don't have a date worked out yet, but I will get that out to the community as soon as it is set.

Four representatives of our Tribal Council and our Tribal Attorney met with representatives from St. Croix on Monday, December 7th, down in Beloit. I have to point out that we did have one prior meeting to this one. The first meeting between St. Croix and our new Council was on November 24th here in Bad River. It contained the formalities of introductions and nation to nation protocol, and essentially ended up serving as an update of "old business".

With the Ho-Chunk Nation purchasing the land that our old land to trust application was based on, things have definitely changed down in Beloit. In regard to transparency, I look forward to meeting with the membership to update them on where we are at, and to listen to our people in regard to their thoughts on the Beloit Casino Project.

FYI- The council members that made the trip to Beloit were myself, Loretta Ford, Frank Connors Jr., and Eldred Corbine. Erick Arnold our Tribal Attorney also attended the trip. Our entire Council was willing to go but illness and prior commitments reduced our traveling team to four.

No Council stipends were paid, although per diem and hotel rooms were covered by our Tribe. Loretta, Frank and I car-pooled down and it was great trip. Eldred and Erick utilized GIS Vehicles because they had other business down South that was work related. At the conclusion of the Nation to Nation meeting our Council attended an open house down in Beloit. It was a very positive event that highlighted the community support that Bad River and St. Croix currently receive in the Beloit area.

I look forward to meeting with you and others in our community to discuss everything I've mentioned in greater detail.

Mike Wiggins Jr.

P.S. My per diem for Sunday noon to Monday night was \$62.10 and my hotel room cost \$69.00. I think car-pooling in a Tribal Van was a great thing due to the fact that mileage alone would have come in at around \$350.00 per Council member.