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It is a great and humbling honour to be nominated again to represent my community in the capacity of council for the upcoming elections. As many of you know I grew up in Biigtigong. I have had the pleasure to serve Biigtigong in many different capacities throughout my life, one being on council. I would like to say Chi Miigwetch to all those people who supported me in the last elections and I hope I can count on you once again.

Last elections I talked about needing a change, and change cannot happen within two years. With the ability to write our own laws, we are hoping to make those changes happen; such as being able to hold council for a four-year term. This should be coming to referendum for our people to decide hopefully this coming term.

Over the last two years I have been working with the Health Centre on their Privacy and Security policies and procedures. They are in the midst of training all their staff on these new policies, and we are hoping to get the first phase approved shortly. I would like the opportunity to continue to work with the Health Centre to get all policies approved and implemented. One thing that has been implemented this spring was the lock box that has now been placed within the medical van to protect all the people's medical information from being seen by others. This was not only a privacy issue but also a safety issue.

It was brought to my attention last term by citizens of the community about one of the bands corporations being able to run for council, yet other departments and corporation are not, many people told me they didn't think this was right! No it isn't, and that is another change I would like to see happen and voted upon. We need to be fair and just to all!!!

Things I would like to see:

- Tourism – mouth of the Pic development go forward, trail systems completed, tours of our area > our way
- Education – more land based education/outdoor classroom
- Election laws updated and equality for everyone
- Chief and council regulations updated to be fair for all – worked on but not approved as of yet
- Diabetes strategy
- Housing - we need to make sure all people are safe in their homes, but also educated on how to use air exchangers and why we need them (to prevent mold growth and bring in clean air).

If you have any questions for me, please ask. I didn't attend the candidate's night as I want to answer questions from the people, and not the same questions that have been generated and used every election. So if you have specific questions for me, please stop me on my walks, pop by my house and come in for tea, or I can come to you for a visit. I will also be at Gichi on a Foodie Friday watch for info.

Take care everyone; hugs!

Liz