

Michael J. Ceplina  
Office of the Ogema



BooZhoo,

My name is Michael Ceplina and I am running to be your Ogema. My work history includes working for a Fortune 500 company before moving to Manistee in 2002 to work for the tribe. Positions I have held within the tribe include: security officer, utility operator, surveillance operator, natural resource commissioner, tribal councilor and election board member. I believe my work experience and knowledge gained will be an asset to the position of Ogema. I also believe we need to bring unity back into the tribe. I WILL work with tribal council. I WILL provide transparency to the membership with such things as letting the tribal members see the budget, EDC projects, casino and on-line gaming revenue numbers. Other things I would like to see changed and work towards are term limits for Ogema/elected officials and getting our reservation lands back from the federal government as other tribes have done. I would also like to see affordable housing for members expanded beyond one location. We have to look at the seven generations and that includes bringing back cultural activities. Knowing our culture is vital for our children and the future. I believe it is time for a change. I believe it is time for new leadership. I appreciate your vote.

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Michael J. Ceplina

**Shannon Paul Crampton**  
**Office of the Ogema**

**No Bio/Photo was provided.**



**Gary Paul DiPiazza/Sees Bak Tunse**  
**Office of the Ogema**



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I'm Sees-Bak-Tunse (Real Sweet Sugar) Gary Paul DiPiazza.

I have been happily married for 40 years, together we have two lovely daughters and four grandchildren.

I have been your dedicated servant on Tribal Council for the past 9 years.

I'm a traditional Pipe Carrier and Firekeeper. I have supported and attended our Tribal Language Camp, powwow and community (Great Lakes Area) cultural events for decades.

I sponsored and brought forward: the Cares Act legislation releasing \$1000.00 to Every Tribal Citizen.

Creation of our Manistee and Muskegon Pharmacy and Health Clinic.

I currently serve on CORA working on our 2020 Consent Decree looking after our 1836 Treaty Rights.

I have increased your Deer Harvest from 5 Deer to 10 Deer this year to help you feed your family.

I implemented interactive Live Council Meetings for my Citizens.

Engineered the next step in Electrical Power FREE TO ALL.

FREE Renewable Energy to run our Casino, AKI, Government Center and EVERY CITIZEN'S HOME.

Keep Moving Forward towards completion of our Muskegon Project.

I will continue serving with honor and integrity.

I believe I have shown my worth and I'm not afraid to stand alone.

I have the ingenuity and courage to get things done.

I stand for the best interests of ALL my citizens.

I am open to your thoughts and concerns so I can take them with me on this path.

Miigwetch for letting me speak with you.

Facebook @ Vote Gary Paul DiPiazza for Your Next Ogema

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Raymond Hugo  
Office of the Ogema



Boozhoo, my name is Raymond Hugo. I am a member from the Nine-County area of Mason County. I was raised and spent most of my life in this area. In my upbringing, I was able to experience the different school districts throughout the area. Also, I even had the chance to attend Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota. Then, I continued my education into college at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City where I obtained a degree in business.

As a kid, I participated in several cultural gatherings in the outlying areas. Also, I enjoyed being a member of the Great Lakes Native American Dance Troupe. We helped bring our culture to the forefront by letting the average citizen become aware that the Native American/Anishinaabek people are still here today in modern society. For more information about this, see the Tribes' book "Our People, Our Journey" by James McClurken.

Still to this day, I honor my culture and heritage. I have had the opportunity to work at the casino in Human Resources and with the Tribe by helping with the development of Indian Village. Also, I am looking forward to furthering my service with the Tribe as Tribal Ogema. For more information, feel free to follow me on Facebook. Chi Miigwetch.

Larry “Mahiingun Makwa” Olson  
Office of the Ogema



**Boozhoo, niij-anishinaabedog (Hello my fellow Anishinaabes).**

**My name is Larry Olson and i am running to replace Larry Romanelli As Ogema. After 16 year of bad leadership, abuse of power, mismanagement and wasteful spending at the tune of \$ 50 million plus. it's time for a change in leadership and a new beginning, We need to rewrite the constitution, so it serves all tribal citizens equally and not just a selected few in the nine counties.**

**If elected i will be a servant to the tribal citizens and not a ruler over the people. In my first year i will reach out to all tribal citizens and listen to all of your concerns and suggestions on how we can work together to secure a better future for all tribal citizens and the next seven generations.**

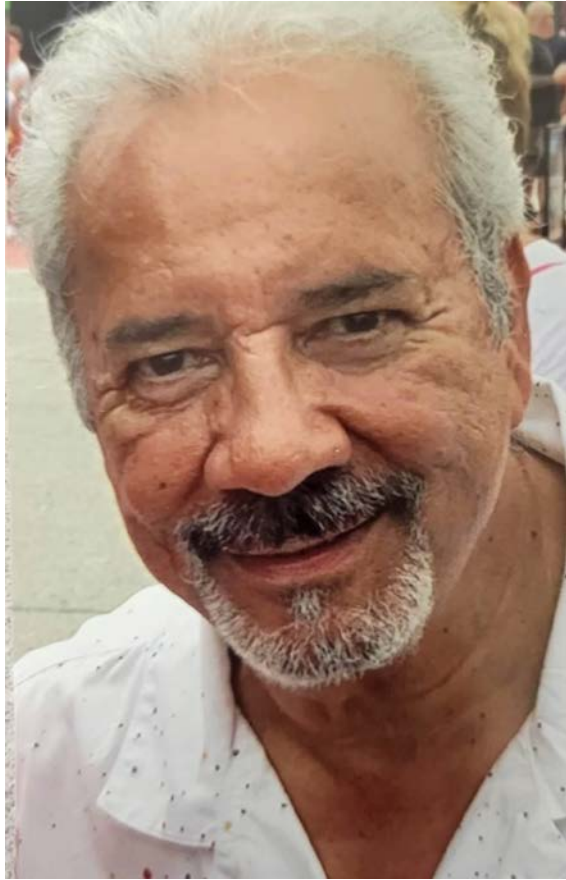
**We need to train and hire any tribal citizen who wants to work for the tribe, no matter where you live. With todays technology we can can hire tribal citizens for remote jobs no matter where you live on Turtle Island. Some of our best talent and the majority of our tribal citizens live outside of Michigan.**

**We can never succeed unless we lift each and every tribal citizen and give them the tools they need to succeed.**

**if you would like to talk to me, you can email at [mahiingunmakwa@hotmail.com](mailto:mahiingunmakwa@hotmail.com) or call me at 248-217-7848**



Larry "Little Thunder" Romanelli  
Office of the Ogema



Aanii,

Most of you know me. Who you should vote for? Many have said, "why is there continual fighting between Ogema and council?" "Change the Ogema or certain council members, or just change everyone? I leave that for you to decide, but suggest two documents to review so you can make informed decisions. Documents to review are; LRBOI COURT CASE #20-051-AP and HARVARD LAW REVIEW- Tribal Executive Branches: A Path to Tribal Constitutional Reform; located on our tribal website. The last four years have been difficult.

The first issue was the above court battle, started in August 2016 ending in May 2001. Court dealt with "separation of powers" which has been a focus of conflict between every Ogema and council over the years. The good news is clear lines have been drawn for branches to follow, moving us in the right direction going forward.

The second issue, the Muskegon casino project; a 12+ year project, cleared by the Department of Interior in 2020 moving forward to Governor Whitmer's desk for signature. She declined to sign based on GRB's attempt at getting federally recognized. At this writing, our opportunity for a casino is still in limbo.

The third issue was world-wide, COVID. It affected all families, income, and businesses. Many businesses were shut down, some permanently. Our casino shut down two times. The good news? We are back up and running almost at full-force. Our numbers continue to return. I wish you the best in your candidate selection. Miigwetch

Jessica Steinberg  
Office of the Ogema(kwe)



Boozhoo My Relatives,

I am humbly seeking your support and vote for the office of **Ogema(kwe)**.

I am not going to make promises that I can't deliver. **My focus is to use my life's experience, integrity and hard work on behalf of OUR people.**

**It is time for change in our Tribe; away from infighting, away from the divisions that weaken our nation. It is time to mend fences and build relationships within our sister tribes because there is strength in unity.**

**It is time for the Little River Band 4000+ to be the priority of leadership.**

What I will work with you to accomplish:

- IMPLEMENTING QUARTERLY 'townhall' meetings to hear THE PRIORITIES OF OUR CITIZENS directly. ***It's time to use technology to increase the flow of information and improve communication with all our citizens.***
- TRANSPARENCY! ***Its time for clear and direct answers to the questions, suggestions and concerns, of our people, including accurate, timely, financial information.***
- CITIZENS FIRST within our government and enterprises. ***Its time Tribal Member Preference is the rule, not the exception, and that we invest in our people.***
- COLLABORATION AND COOPERATION! ***Its time to stop the drain of our resources paying attorney fees and court costs—We all want the same thing—for the lives of our people to be better!***

My contact info: [jsteinberg1125@gmail.com](mailto:jsteinberg1125@gmail.com) or (231) 510-4864 – I'd like to meet and discuss your priorities, which will be my priorities as Ogema(kwe).

I hope you will support me, even if you don't – PLEASE VOTE!