

*Re elect*

*Camilla Wishkeno Chouteau*

**PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMI NATION**

**TRIBAL COUNCIL SECRETARY**



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I hereby declare my candidacy and re-election for the position as Tribal Council Secretary for the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. The qualifications I continue to bring to the elected position are strong work ethic and operation knowledge of Tribal Government, along with Management, Federal/State Programs and higher education background. My previous work experience includes positions with the highly profile The Tulsa Salvation Army of Oklahoma and the Topeka School District #501.

I graduated from the University of Kansas with Masters of Social Work Degree (2007) and Bachelor of Social Work Degree (1985) with the major field of study being Administration. I also had the opportunity to attend Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas as a part time student.

My Tribal Government experience includes being first elected to the Tribal Council that purchase 326 acres of the Oketchshawno property on K Road and the location of our Nation's Boys and Girls Club, Tribal Fire Department, Daycare Center and Housing residences for the Community. The General Council appointed me to serve on the Health Committee to plan and develop new Health Center facility located on 150<sup>th</sup> Road. Presently, I serve as Secretary to the Nation's Land Committee, Tribal Council Liaison Social Services Board, Board Member on the Banner Creek Science Center and Tribal Council Liaison 2018 Potawatomi Gathering.

I have had the honor to be elected to our Nation's first Constitutional Drafting Committee and served the Secretary position.

The past three years and nine months, Tribal Council has successfully negotiated Tobacco Compact with the State of Kansas, purchased 3,200 acres of Land, new construction for South wood Homes, revised Tribal Council P Card Policy, Casino Expansion approved by the Nation's General Council, Veteran and Regalia legislation approved by the State of Kansas and Behavior Health facility under construction.

I pledge to our Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation's Membership positive visionary goals aa follows: Update Tribal Enrollment, Secure and protect our Nation's Casino and enterprises, purchase property to increase our Land Base, maintain our Language and Cultural values, create new jobs, feasibility study to establish Nation's first Bank, and develop solar panel farm to meet our Nation's energy needs. Today, our Nation continues to be faced with the challenges of the Trump Administration unfavorable to Native American Tribes/Nations and Kansas Casinos completion and I will work with our Tribal Council to explore profitable business enterprises to strengthen our Tribal Government and economy.

As a Voter, you will receive your Election Ballot by mail after June 8, 2018. I will highly appreciate your vote in the upcoming election. Igwein!

Camilla Wishkeno Chouteau