Chiefs Message

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In this difficult time, our Council will be meeting regularly and looking for updates on a daily basis to address this global pandemic. We as Chief and Council have

implemented some safety precautions at our office to prevent the spread of the virus. Until further notice the office will be closed to visitors, but there will be staff available to call and email in case of emergencies.

Please practice social distancing and proper precautions such as washing your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer. Cough or sneeze into your elbow or use a tissue and throw it away. Do not touch your eyes, nose, and mouth without washing your hands first. Do not go near others who



are sick. Disinfect surfaces and objects that are touched often. Self isolate if possible by working from home.

As well, our Grand Chief Alvin Fiddler of Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN) has developed a Task Team to respond to the global COVID-19 pandemic. For further information on how our government is addressing Indigenous peoples please watch: https://youtu.be/71fFRFQn2VA

Please be aware of our most vulnerable in our community and reach out to our community members. Help out where you can as they may be in need. Sometimes, just a phone call would help lift the spirits of an Elder or vulnerable member.

This will pass, and we will someday look back at this and remember how we came together as a community to help one another in this uncertain time.

On another note, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Shereena Campbell on being the successful candidate for the position of Band Administrator. We are fortunate to have Shereena in this position as she has temporarily taken on this role many times in Doreen's absence which will make this transition almost seamless. I am confident that she is more than equipped to handle the responsibility and all that this position entails.

In the Spirit of Community, Chief Jason Gauthier