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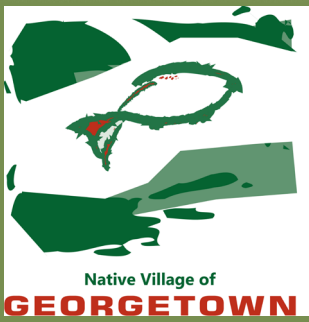
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Georgetown TEK Gathering

The Native Village of Georgetown (NVG) is proud to announce that the Georgetown First Nations TEK Community Gathering will take place July 29th -July 31st, 2022, in Old and New Georgetown.

NVG's Environmental Department has documented and shared the Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) held by community Knowledge Bearers with the NVG community for many years. The project aims to instill a sense of respect, pride, and belonging to the Kuskokwim River region in Georgetown Tribal members. Therefore, the next step after publishing the "Traditional Ecological Knowledge of the Middle Kuskokwim" book in September 2021 was clear: bring the NVG community together in Georgetown.

The gathering is an opportunity for Georgetown members of all ages to come together, for multiple generations to share place-based knowledge and TEK, and for members to (re) discover Georgetown's land, plants, and animals and build memories together as a community.



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Updates

New Tribal Administrator

The Council has filled the Tribal Administrator position that has been vacant since May. The new Tribal Administrator is Daniel Decker. Here is a brief introduction from Dan.

I'm a retired police officer of 26 years and have extensive grant writing and administration experience. I spent most of my career in the Y-K Delta and Bristol Bay.

My wife, Chelsey, and I have been married for eight years and we have a little boy named Wolfe. My wife is originally from the village of Koliganek on the Nushagak River.

As a family, we enjoy a subsistence lifestyle and try to be out doing those types of activities as much as possible.

Assistance Programs

Just as quick reminder for those that have not applied that we have three assistance program available to Georgetown members:

- The 2022 utility assistance program (water/sewer, electric, and trash). Assistance for four months in 2022
- The 2021 utility assistance program (water/sewer, electric, and trash). Receive up to \$800 for utility payments in 2021.
- Housing assistance program. A one-time \$600 payment to rent or mortgage that is paid directly to the landlord or mortgage company.

For more information, see the Updates page on our website (<https://www.georgetowntc.com/news/assistance-programs-update-b2x8f>) or contact our office at 907-274-2195 or info@georgetowntc.com.

Council Meeting

Georgetown Tribal Council June 25, 2022 Quarterly Meeting

The Georgetown Tribal Council, the governing body of the Native Village of Georgetown, met on Saturday, June 25th, 2022 for their quarterly meeting. Council Members that attended the in-person meeting were Traci Maczynski, Gary Fredericks, and Buddy Kutch (by phone). Others in attendance Jeff Venes and Irene Venes.

During the meeting the Council:

- Approved the meeting minutes from the previous meetings on Mar 26, 2022.
- Added items to the agenda and then approved the meeting agenda.
- Reviewed Administrative reports from the Tribal Administrator and staff members.
- Heard committee reports from the Environmental Committee, Land Committee, Enrollment Committee, Policy Committee, Pre-Audit Committee, and Community Center Committee.
- Discussed the TEK Gathering in Georgetown covering the number of applications received and the amount of funds budgeted for travel to get participants to Georgetown.
- Discussed the other details that will be the focus of the next planning meeting such as the menu for the cook, plan the activities, and create the agenda for the event.
- The annual meeting was discussed with the Council suggesting potential locations to hold the meeting at, selecting a firm to run the election, and seeking donations for door prizes.
- The Environmental Committee presented its selection for filling the youth member position and will reach out to confirm acceptance of the position.
- The new Tribal Administrator, Daniel Decker, introduced himself
- The Council discussed needed maintenance for the Georgetown boat and decided to replace the aging motor with a new one. The tribal administrator was tasked to price a new motor in Anchorage and Bethel to time with water testing trip.
- The Council decided that Buddy Kutch will be attending the 2022 AVCP Annual Convention as the delegate and that Traci Maczynski will be the alternate if Buddy will not be able to attend.
- Council thanked the staff for their work and welcomed the new Tribal Administrator.

Resolutions

- 22-04 Resolution for FY22 BIA Transportation Funding - passed
- 20-05 Resolution for Delegate and Alternate for the AVCP Annual Convention - passed



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Upcoming Events



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July

4 Independence Day (office closed)
29-31 Georgetown TEK Gathering

August

19 Alaska State Fair starts
27 Georgetown Annual Meeting

September

6 Labor Day
6 Alaska State Fair ends
21-22 AVCP 2022 Annual Convention

October

20-22 AFN
31 Halloween