



***Niishanax, Siuslaw wan Hiich, Hello in Siuslaw,  
I am a Siuslaw person.***

***My name is Doug Barrett, Roll # 0011.***

***I am currently on Tribal Council position # 6.***

It has been an honor to represent General Council for the past four years!

I am a son, a brother, an uncle, a father and a grandfather. My Family is what is most important to me, my immediate family as well as our entire Tribal Family! What it means to be a Tribe, is to be a family with traditions and ways of life of the past we can never forget. I think of myself as a listener, a teacher and a

culture mentor. Always respectful of the Ancestors, a problem solver, and dedicated to the needs of the people. I am driven to continue to learn and grow to be able to both listen and to be heard. I encourage communication through talking circles in the smallest of groups, to share ideas and also at the largest of tables, at the White House to speak for my people, so their voices can be heard.



I was Born in Florence and raised on the other side of the Siuslaw River in Glanada. I loved growing up on the hill overlooking the Ocean and Florence. My grandfather was Howard Barrett who rallied the United Nations to hear our case when he was on Tribal Council. My father was Frank Barrett who also spent time on Tribal Council in the 80's and 90's. I am the oldest of five, two brothers and two sisters. I have three daughters and six grandkids. I have worked for my Tribe for 23 years and have enjoyed bringing Culture and Prevention to our Tribal families. I have learned a lot from working with many great Tribal members throughout the years. I have loved to watch our children grow from babies to young adults through all the programs and activities I have been fortune to provide. I value the important relationships I have made with all the 9-Tribes of Oregon, many dignitaries, plus Federal, State and Local officials. I have been a Volunteer Firefighter and Captain for the Siuslaw Valley Fire Department for 34 Years assisting the public.

I wanted to give more, I wanted to represent my people if they voted for me. In 2018, I was elected by the people and I challenged the rule of not being able to be on Council and work for the Tribe. I had to take time off from work and wait for a final decision about my employment. I was instantly on Tribal Council when the vote was tallied. I went to Tacoma and help Phillip Red Eagle rebuild his jig and helped make 500 copper rings for the Canoe Journey ceremonies, which I have supported and participated in for many years. I got to go back

to work and be on Council. Now we have four Employees on Council and most of our meetings are after five and in the evenings. It takes all seven of us on Council to make so many decisions for the future of our Tribes.

I am currently in Tribal Council position # 6. I would like your vote to remain in this position for another four years. I would like to finish what we have stated in the last 4 years. Number 1 priority is to pay down the Casino's Debts. When we came on council, we did not get much sleep knowing we had millions due in months and no money put away to pay any balloon payments.

We saved over 20 million in refinancing over the past 3 1/2 years. It is getting close to think about expanding the Casino Hotel in Florence and putting in a fuel station with a store. To start thinking about other investments to keep our Tribe moving in a forward direction. We need to think about investing in clean energy as well as selling the cheapest fuel we can on the coast. Help promote Blue Earth and Best to make more money and take on bigger contracts.

Next, we had to work with Jordan Cove and try to stay neutral to remain at the table for the meetings. This took a lot of time and effort from all of staff and Tribal Council. Then Covid hit and this has been hard for everyone. We have worked hard to keep engaged with our youth and families. In the next four years I hope we can do even more for our families.



We need to listen to General Council for what every one's needs are and to help get our homeless population in affordable housing.

Keep Education for our youth and adults wanting to go and pursue Higher Education programs or into trade schools.

We as seven council members, need to keep thinking of ways for more stable Economic Development. Find balance, peace and make good business decisions to help our Tribe be prosperous and able to sustain ourselves for future generations, 7 generations and beyond.

Protect our Culture Resources, our lands, and allow membership to learn from all we have and teach our youth and families how to be good stewards of mother earth and our waters.

We should learn and practice our Culture and Traditions to pass this on to our Youth. Let us never ever forget our Ancestors who came before us and all the hard work they have done. Thank all past Councils.

It would be an honor if you would please vote for me as your Tribal Council # 6.

Thank You,

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