

Candidate, Arlen P. Kuzmik

I want to thank the Bay Mills Indian Community for electing me the last two terms as your Council Person. As the new election approaches I would be honored for the opportunity to represent you again in the 2019 Tribal elections. It was always a dream of mine to be on the Executive Council. Now that I have achieved that dream I wish to continue working on all that we have started.

I have worked several jobs in Bay Mills leading back to my youth. I believe it totals 27 years of service to the tribe. At the age of 23 I became a Bay Mills Police Officer and I have been working here for past 24 years. I love Bay Mills and our community members. I would not want to work or live anywhere else.

Stephanie Vittitow and I have been together for over 19 years and have chosen to live and raise our 6 beautiful children here in Bay Mills. We have three of our own children, two that we took legal guardianship over at a young age, and one we adopted. If you know either of us you know we are very proud of all of them. My mother is Carrick (Jesse) Kuzmik and my father is Paul Kuzmik. They are both great people and great parents. I strive to be just like them. They both work hard and treat people with respect.

I am very proud of our current council and our team for the work we have done and continue to do. With the help of our legal team, CFO, Tribal Manger and many others we have been working towards the betterment of our tribe. We have been looking into several new business opportunities for the tribe within gaming and outside of gaming. It is very exciting to be a part of these new opportunities. We are working on the new medical center and the Consent Decree to protect our fishing rights. These are extremely complicated matters and I am confident in our team to do what is best for Bay Mills Indian Community. All of my decision making is centered on what I believe is best for Bay Mills and its members.

I encourage everyone to get out and vote for the candidate you believe is best for each position.

Again I thank you for allowing me to represent you for the last 4 years and hopefully the next 2 years.