

Steven Wilfred Mark Morris-Thomas

Hello everyone, my name is Steven Wilfred Mark Morris-Thomas, and I am running for both Chief and Council. I am honoured to be nominated for these two positions.

I have worked for the Nation since 1980, back then I was the after-school maintenance man, in 1983 I did the training of brock and mercenary and in 1987 I was called back in for maintenance by Joe Thomas, Sharon Thomas, George Thomas, Andy Thomas and Gordon Modeste. And also, in that year of 1987 I was hired to do security until 1989. I was also an apartment manager from 1993 to 1995 for Judson properties. In the year of 1994, I worked for the Commonwealth Games as a security guard then I came back to the Nation in 1996 I was hired back on for Maintenance again. In 1999 I worked as an excavator operator for six months and later of that year I was hired for Child Minding for which I have helped chaperone the children all while doing my archaeological training for which I have worked as an archaeologist, and I have also done Environmental monitoring for 20 years. For which I have stepped down to work with Parks Canada to a be historian for 5 and a half years alongside my mom Vera as she taught about the medicines for her last and final job.

I went to Camosun College from 1991 to 1992 to study for welding and to finish my GED which I have completed and along the way I have also studied for Restorative Justice for which Gina Egger was my teacher. I also got my archaeological ticket through Parks Canada and had Ian Sumpter as my teacher for archaeology. I was also educated through the elders when I was younger for, they chose me to bring them to the future with their knowledge of our history. In 1998 I was trained in Child Minding.

I may not have gotten many or any awards long the way of my long list of jobs I have worked for over the many years but I would have to say that my greatest achievement would have to be laying our ancestors to rest when I was in archaeology for you see, that was not my goal at all when I work, my goal was always to help those in need.

I was hired as a chaperone for the youth group back in 1989 where we went to South Dakota which we have fundraised to be there for 15 days. I have also been off and on as security for the reserve to protect our Nation. I also have smoked fish and also donated fish for our culture.

For personal interests I like to work on vehicles, work out, smoke fish, to help out when I can to those within and out of our Nation, to be a dad to my daughters and a loving husband to my wife Amelia.

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My goal is to strive forward and a better future for our Nation and for our future generations.