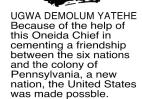
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.





Resolution # 05-13-15-D Utilities Rate Increase Resolution

WHEREAS,	the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian Government
	and a Treaty Tribe recognized by the Laws of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee adopted the Oneida Tribal Sanitary District Ordinance and established a Utilities Commission in accordance with BC Resolution # 04-20-90-B; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribal Sanitary District Ordinance and Utilities Commission were created in order to assure that the operation of the sanitary system be administered responsibly and pursuant to the appropriate rules and regulations; and

whereas, on September 5, 2001, the Oneida Business Committee passed a motion that facilitated the transfer of the duties and responsibilities of the Utilities Commission and the administrative operations of the sanitary district to the government of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Commission was dissolved by the Oneida Tribe of Indians on June 30, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribal Sanitary District Ordinance was formally amended by the Oneida Business Committee through passage of BC Resolution # 10-20-04-B which re-titled the ordinance to the Sanitation Ordinance, replaced the Oneida Utilities Commission with the Oneida Utilities Department and transferred the duties and responsibilities from the Commission to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Sanitation Ordinance authorizes the Oneida Utilities Department to establish rates and charges for services provided by the Public Water and Public Sewer systems; and

WHEREAS, a rate increase has not occurred since 2004 and the Oneida Utilities Department has completed a rate study utilizing equal population per capita to the Oneida Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Utilities Department recommends increasing the water and sewer rates by 12% in order to be consistent with municipalities that have comparable number of customers; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Utilities Department would need to raise the utility rates by 324% to equal their operational costs; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee agrees with the Oneida Utilities Department recommendation of a lesser rate increase of 12% for consistency with local governments and to move closer toward covering the costs of operating the utility.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby approves a rate increase of 12% for water and sewer services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oneida Utilities Department shall place a public notice in the Tribal newspaper for at least three issues identifying that the 12% rate increase on water and sewer services has been adopted.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the 12% rate increase for water and sewer services shall be effective October 1, 2015.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 13th day of May, 2015; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 members for, 0 members against, and 1 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee

*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."