

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



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

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Bocause of the help of this Oneida Chief in comenting a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the U n it ed Status was made possible.

## APRIL 8, 1982

Meeting called to order at 9:10 A.M. by Chairman

Present: Gary Metoxen, Norbert Hill, Gordon McLester, Joy Ninham, Frank Cornelius, Tony Benson.

Excused: Wendell McLester, Howard Cannon, Mark Powless

Others: Francis Skenandore, Jerry Hill, Myron Smith

BINGO HEARING UPDATE - Francis Skenandore

The Tribe won the motion to dismiss but we still have the complaint and the states answer to the complaint. Somehow this case has to be closed out. The question is how to close it out. Do we continue on to a trial or another hearing on the merits or can it be resolved by some sort of negotiation. The state is willing to work out a consent judgment with Oneida only, not any other Tribe's. What that would do would bind the state to let the Oneida Tribe operate Bingo as long as the Oneida Tribe operated the Bingo, but not individuals of the Tribe.

## JERRY HILL - Travel Report

Jerry asked if there were any questions on the report he wrote on the Indian Law Conference, which had sections on Tribal Political Federal Legislation Relationships and Powers and Limitations on Tribal Governments.

The panels were comprised of Tribal attorney's, BIA officials and practitioners in the field of Indian Law. Other participants attending were some of the anti-Indian persuasion. Tom Tobin and several of his associates were present as well as Jim Simmonds, Green Bay City Attorney. The other trip was to Albuquerque on National American Indian Court Judges Association training. One of the two sessions was on federal statutes that affected the operation and establishment of Indian Courts, and the record was an advanced criminal law. Discussion followed.

## HUNTING & FISHING

Jerry is working on a hunting and fishing ordinance. A roughdraft would be ready by the end of this month.

Norbert moved to recess until 1:00. Joy Seconded. Motion Carried.

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## 1:30 P.M. MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REVIEW

The Business Committee continued work on the changes of the Tribal Management System.

3:00 P.M. Norbert moved to recess. Joy Seconded. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary

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