

Oneidas bringing sev eral hundred bags of corn to Washington's corn to washington's starving army at Val-ley Forge, after the colonists had consist-ently refused to aid them.

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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SPECIAL MEETING

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#### THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1983

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman.

Present: Purcell Powless, Norbert Hill Kathy Hughes, Gordon McLester, Lloyd

Powless, Lois Powless, Loretta Metoxen, Mark Powless.

Excused: Tony Benson

Others: Todd Larkin, Francis Skenandore

#### PROPOSAL FOR COMPUTERIZING TRIBAL ROLLS - Todd Larkin

Todd Larkin proposed to implement a software package that will build a dynamic and extendable database. The database will include all available genealogical information relating to the period between 1823 and 1934. The ultimate goal of such a system will be to uniquely identify all members of the Oneida Tribe that lived during this period. Using phonetic relationships and a specially designed individual identification algorithm, the database will be self sorting into extended genalogical lineage file by family. People living before 1823 will be added if unique identification is possible.

Data-base Management software shall be added to manage this file allowing user friendly access. Any Oneida tribal member in Wisconsin will be able to extract all genalogical recornds in this file relating to himselft if born before 1934 or, if born after 1934, and of his known ancestors (parents or grandparents in almost all cases) born before 1934. Additional information known to the user, but not contained in the files may also be easily added to the file making it infinitely extendable.

The result of this project will not only be invaluable as a preservation of heritage, but also has other unique advantages. It will allow for immediate access to "roll" information as well as a means for proving Indian ancestry for purposes of tribal enrollment.

Todd was referred to the Trust Committee and the roll clerks. After reviewing the proposal with them he was requested to bring back a recommendation to the Business Committee.

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#### 638 CONTRACT RESOLUTION MODIFICATION #5-26-83-A

Kathy made a motion to approve Resolution #5-26-83-A which states, "that the Oneida Tribe wishes to modify its present 638 Contract to allow for Special Projects through its G.S.A. Program, allowing a savings to the Tribe in any equipment it might want to purchase.

Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

#### TRIBAL COURT CLERK TRAINING - Jerry Hill

Jerry Hill has made contact with the Menominee Tribal Court for the use of their facility for the court clerk training.

The training projected is on-the-job training experience from and with the Clerk of the Menominee Court. Both Chief Judge, Wilmer Peters and Court Clerk, Shirley Daley, are agreeable to this arrangement.

Jerry feels that this should be done with the approval of the Oneida Business Committee and after a formal request to the Menominee government. This could be accomplished by a letter from the Chairman to the Menominee Chairperson, Lucille Chapman.

Norbert made a motion to have Jerry Hill draft a letter to the Menominee Chairperson Lucille Chapman with the above request from Purcell Powless, Chairman of Oneida. Loretta seconded. Motion carried.

#### FARM PROBLEM - Pat Cornelius

Pat sent a letter to the Business Committee dated May 23, 1983 concerning theft from the Oneida Land & Agricultural Project. The Business Committee referred the letter to the Land Committee and requested them to review the letter and if necessary, contact the Law Office for assistance and to bring back a recommendation.

#### FINANCE & APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDATION OF MAY 25, 1983

- 1. Mark made a motion to recommend approval of an additional \$1,500 to cover the Land deficit which should come from the General Fund. Norbert seconded. Motion carried.
- 2. Gordon made a motion to recommend approval to purchase a drain cleaner from Murphy Supply Company for \$1,174 to be used by the Central Maintenance Program. Mark seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. Finance & Appropriation Committee recommend approval for \$404.00 for the Tribal School, contingent on Board approval being obtained and suggest that the Tribal School Fund account be utilized unless justification can be presented for the unavailability of these funds.

Lois made a motion to refer this request back to Bill Gollnick and and also have the school board review the request. Norbert seconded. Motion carried

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## REVENUE SHARING (MEMO OF MAY 25, 1983) RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Senior Citizens Emergency Fund \$5,000.00. These monies would be used solely for emergency situations with guidelines developed by the Program Director. Lloyd moved to approve. Kathy seconded. Mark requested that the guidelines be developed before the money can be spent out of this line item. Lloyd and Kathy agreed. Motion carried.
- 2. Central Maintenance \$28,866. Money would be used primarily to purchase needed equipment and tools. Lloyd made a motion to approve. Kathy seconded Motion carried.
- 3. Farm Project \$6,000. Norbert made a motion to approve. Loretta seconded. Mark amended that approval be contingent being that a breakdown of funds be provided. Norbert and Loretta agreed. Motion carried.

### WIPFLI-ULLRICH & CO. - Jere E. Dhein

Jere Dhein stated that during the meeting on May 18, 1983 with Kathy Hughes, they discussed the fact that they are incurring additional time on the audit for September 30, 1982. Much of the time is due to their underestimating the amount of work required to conclude the audit as well as certain items which we had anticipated would be done by Mr. Shikoski. Jim Cotton has done some additional work in generating some report numbers which they had anticipated would be done by Mr. Shikoski.

Considering the time that Wipfli has in the audit to date as well as their estimated time to complete, they estimate that they will have an overrun of approximately \$5,000 to \$7,000. While they are uncomfortable bringing this up to the Business Committee, since they do not want to jeapardize their business relationship with the tribe, they want to make the Business Committee aware of this situation. They believe the overrun is due partly to Dick Shikoski leaving prior to the completion of the audit, as well as our underestimation of completion time due to the complexity of the engagement. Wipfli requests that the Business Committee review this situation and determine if funds are available to cover this overrun.

Gordon made a motion to approve the request. Kathy seconded. Motion carried

#### TRIBAL COMMENTS ON P.L. 94-437

In a letter dated 5-23-83 from the Director, Bemidji Program office it states that, In December, 1983, a report must be submitted to Congress as required by law on the P.L. 94-437. They would like responses on Titles I, II, III, IV, V, and VIII. These must be sent in before June 30, 1983.

Kathy made a motion to have the liaison person (Tony Benson) review the material and make a response. Norbert seconded. Motion carried.

#### NOMINATIONS FOR ADVISORY BOARD FOR KALIHWI-SAKS

Listed below are nominees for the Kalihwi-saks advisory board:

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Jim White Charlene Elsie Cornelius Ken Ninham Artley Skenandore, Jr. Ken Dennison

Norbert made a motion to approve the selection of Charlene Elsie Cornelius to sit on the Advisory Committee. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

12:00 Norbert made a motion to recess. Kathy seconded. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted

Gordon McLester Tribal Secretary