

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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



Oneida, WI 54155

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UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a firendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pernsylvania, a new nation, the United States, was made possible

### INFORMATIONAL MEETING

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1987

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

- Present: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Richard Hill-Vice Chairman, Kathy Hughes-Treasurer, Amelia Cornelius-Secretary, Larry Barton, Loretta Metoxen, Ernie Stevens, David King-Council Members
- Excused: Lloyd Powless-Council Member
- Others: Francis Skenandore, Jo Swamp, Sharon House, John Spangberg

### DISCUSSION ON FORT HOWARD

Attorney House was directed to start research for law firms and lists of potential witnesses in the event the Tribe decides to go to court.

### DEFINITION OF POLITICAL SUB-DIVISION IN STATE STATUTES

Present definition does not include Tribes. The American Indian Advisory Committee or GLITC should determine or study working for inclusion of Tribes. This could assist tribes in being considered a political entity rather than a Corporation in U.C.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Business Committee needs to establish dates and process for hearing oral and written testimony - Pro & Con - for the following Ordinances:

- A. Appeals Commission
- B. Children Safety & Protection Code
  - 1. Curfew
  - 2. Truancy
- C. Adoption of Ordinance & Resolutions by Business Committee and General Tribal Council.

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## RELEASE OF TRIBAL INFORMATION POLICY

Rick Hill and Francis Skenandore are working on this policy and are going to have a resolution for presenting to the General Tribal Council. The policy needs to affect internal and external release of tribal information.

All press releases and interviews must receive prior permission from either Purcell Powless or Rick Hill.

### LEASE ASSIGNMENT ON TRUST LANDS

The Oneida Business Committee needs to establish a vechicle for assignment of lands for tribal business development. Opinion is requested from Attorneys on developing the procedure.

### FRANCIS SKENANDORE CONTRACT

According to Kathy Hughes, this contract difference is \$200 - \$300 less than present amount budgeted. Equipment in law office will need to be negotiated if leased or purchased by Francis Skenandore.

Contract calls for Francis to hire at least two competent attorneys to fulfill tribal responsibility and need.

### DISCUSSION ON TRIBAL TAX EXEMPT STATUS WHEN INDIVIDUALS MAKE PURCHASES

The present tax exempt status only applies when the product or service is delivered to the individual on the Reservation. There was a suggestion that a person should go to the stores in Green Bay to see if they would support the exemption to individuals.

#### GAMING

Need to update/revise the Bingo Control Ordinance to cover all areas of gaming. Also include the development and nature of a Gaming Commission. Need regulation to cover video bingo, lottery, lotto, sweepstakes, etc. The Business Committee will need to gear up and plan for future financial commitments to start new gaming, advertising, marketing, research, community relations, designing new games, and protection from fraud and corruption.

It was suggested that Jerry L. Hill form a task force to work on the Gaming Ordinance. Kathy Hughes volunteered to be on this Committee.

Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary Oneida Business Committee