

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 Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

## BUSINESS COMMITTEE



UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE  
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made possible.

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### ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING 1:30 p.m. July 1, 2009 Business Committee Conference Room

**Present:** Rick Hill - Chair  
Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair  
Patty Hoeft - Secretary  
Edward Delgado - Council member  
Melinda J. Danforth - Council member  
Brandon Stevens - Council member  
Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. - Council member  
Trish King - Council member

**Excused:** Tina Danforth - Treasurer

**Others Present:** Jennifer Hill Kelley, J. Schuyler, Larry Schuyler, Timothy D. Ninham, Kerry Metoxen, Marshall A. Groleau, Henry Skenandore, Edward E. Skenandore, Kaylynn Gresham,

**Opening Prayer:** Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

**1. Call to Order** by Chairman Rick Hill at 1:36 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the agenda, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to move to open session, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Trish King arrived at 1:42 p.m.

Brandon Stevens arrived at 1:45 p.m.

#### 3. New Business

##### Regular Session

1. Rick Hill

VFW-Veteran services building permit

**Excerpt from June 24:** Motion by Trish King to defer to a Special meeting in approximately one week to allow discussions with the Chair and President Heidel, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Melinda J. Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstained: Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the VFW applying for an Oneida and Hobart permit noting Hobart is under protest for the construction of a VFW building according to plans voluntarily submitted to the state of Wisconsin for review and comment, the Tribe will waive the Tribe's permitting fees for this project, seconded by Trish King. Motion withdrawn.

Trish King; For the record, the Oneida Tribe maintains it's position that the Village of Hobart lacks the jurisdiction and the authority to require the Robert Cornelius Post VFW 7784 to obtain Village building permits for the VFW project.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado that the Business Committee acknowledges the Oneida Tribe's jurisdiction and Oneida Tribe of Indians does not object to the Robert Cornelius VFW Post 7784 applying for a building permit under protest from the Village of Hobart for construction of their building and applying for a tribal building permit for the same project, the Tribe will waive it's fees for the tribal permit, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion withdrawn.

Action: Motion by Trish King that the Oneida Tribe of Indian maintains it position that the Village of Hobart lacks the jurisdiction and authority to require the Robert Cornelius VFW Post 7784 to obtain Village building permits for the VFW project. The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin does not object to the Robert Cornelius VFW Post 7784 to obtain a building permit "under protest" from the Village of Hobart for construction of a VFW building and applying for a Tribal building permit. This should not be construed as a concession by either the Tribe or the VFW that the Village possess jurisdiction to enforce its building code with respect to the VFW project, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Kathy Hughes, Trish King. Opposed: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens, Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Motion failed.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to recess for 30 minutes to direct the Chief Counsel to draft a resolution describing the reasons why we would not object to this project being permitted under the Village's rules, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Melinda J. Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Opposed: Kathy Hughes. Abstained: Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to come back into session at 3:30 p.m., seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

Present: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Rick Hill, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

Melinda J. Danforth arrived at 3:45 p.m.

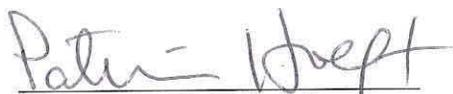
Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.; For the record, I abstained and I still am opposed to the dual permitting process and I would like to see the Tribe's laws should be upheld here and not the Village of Hobart's because you are talking of regulation of primarily tribal members on the reservation and it doesn't matter whether it's fee land or trust land, the Tribe has the jurisdiction and authority to regulate tribal members.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt resolution 07-01-09-A Objection to Village of Hobart's Requirement that the VFW Obtain a Building Permit for the VFW Project, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Opposed: Brandon Stevens, Melinda J. Danforth. Abstained: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried.

### **Recess/Adjourn**

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to adjourn at 3:45 p.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on July 22, 2009.**



Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary  
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE