

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



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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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Special Business Committee Meeting
October 29, 2001
Norbert Hill Center
11:00 a.m.
Travel Request to M.A.S.T,
Water Park Update
New York Land Claims

Present: Gerald Danforth - Chair, Tina Danforth - Vice Chair, Julie Barton, David Bischoff, Paul Ninham, Eugene Metoxen, Sandra Ninham - Council members

Excused: Judy Cornelius - Treasurer, Vince DelaRosa - Council member

Agenda:

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MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY PAUL NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

1 Travel Request to M.A.S.T.

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE PAUL NINHAM TO ATTEND THE M.A.S.T. MEETING, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. PAUL NINHAM ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

Recessed until 2:30 p.m. - Excused: Julie Barton- Secretary, Judy Cornelius - Treasurer, Vince DelaRosa - Council member

2. Water Park Update

MOTION BY DAVID BISCHOFF TO ACCEPT THE WATER PARK UPDATE AS FYI, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3 New York Land Claims Update

MOTION BY EUGENE METOXEN TO SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH ALL THE PRINCIPAL PARTIES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2001, at 8:00 a.m. UNTIL COMPLETE, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO APPROVE THE NEWS RELEASE BY THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. TINA DANFORTH OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.

For the Record, Tina Danforth opposed because they had not informed the membership of the intent to pursue a joint economic venture for gaming in lieu of land claims. I have urged the committee to have GTC meetings in regards to the issue as it relates to land claims as well as community meetings and we still have not scheduled those.

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO THE GTC MEMBERSHIP AS A COVER LETTER AS TO THE CONTENT OF THIS NEWS RELEASE, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

For the Record, Tina Danforth abstained because the letter to the membership has not yet been drafted, but it will be drafted soon.

MOTION BY PAUL NINHAM TO GIVE NOTICE TO THE ONEIDAS OF THAMES AND THE ONEIDAS OF NEW YORK OF THE CONTENTS OF THE NEWS RELEASE, SECONDED BY EUGENE METOXEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

For the Record, the Vice Chair left prior to that vote so her vote was not recorded. For a point of clarification on the news release, the letter to the GTC membership and the notice to the Oneidas of Thames and New York, the news release will not be released to the media until the letter to GTC membership has been sent and the notice to the Oneidas of Thames and New York have been sent.

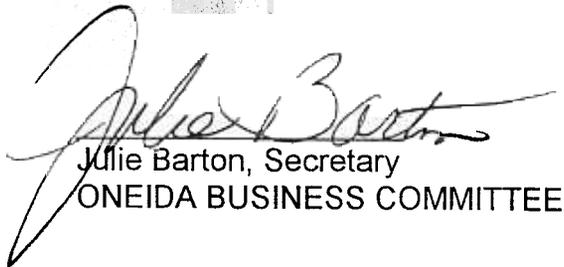
For a further point of clarification, the chair stated that upon sending, he expects that it will be sent tomorrow, did that mean that after tomorrow that this can be released knowing that people won't receive it for a few days. Due to the postal routing delay in mailing caused by the Anthrax scare, if we're relying on waiting for people having this in hand, we are exhausting our time to respond appropriate and timely to the media.

The committee agreed to releasing the information on Tuesday morning via our internal communication network: fax notices to all major entities in the organization, through Group Wise ,SEOTS, posting at all prominent locations and through our web site. Than Tuesday evening this goes to the media.

Recess\Adjourn:

MOTION BY EUGENE METOXEN TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY DAVID BISCHOFF. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted by,



Julie Barton, Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE