



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



UGWA DEHOLUH YATENE  
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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As Corrected  
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## SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, July 20, 1983

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by acting Chairman, Gordon McLester.

Present: Kathy Hughes, Gordon McLester, Lloyd E. Powless, Jr., Lois Powless, Mark Powless, Tony Benson, Loretta Metoxen.

Excused: Purcell Powless

Others: Dale Wheelock, Cliff Webster, Tony Utschig

### CONTROLLER'S POSITION

Request was made to move this topic up on the agenda. Discussion on the recommendation of dismissal of the present controller, Bernard Leiterman. Dale was questioned as to management system procedures being followed. It was stated that they were. Loretta Metoxen moved to accept the recommendation of Tony Utschig, the Tribal Administrator on this person and we post the corresponding job description for 15 calendar days. Kathy Hughes seconded. Motion Carried.

Because probationary period was not over, it would go to the next applicant. However, Dale Wheelock is not recommending this person due to reference check. There was also discussion on the severance pay and it was the consensus of the Committee that he should be paid severance pay for the rest of the week.

### WELLS AND SEPTIC SYSTEM - John Spangberg

John stated that this situation started from a site with the well and septic system program. The owner has attempted to put the land in trust for some time with considerable trouble. They have a mound type septic system to go in there and the property is currently state taxable. The County is aware of this. John feels that they would put this system in but at this point he is requesting Business Committee direction before he will proceed because; (1) Indian Health Service has stated they will not install any systems on fee land that does not have approval. (2) John has a State Professional Registration that he would be risking. The installer that he would be using also has a State License he would be risking by installing systems without any permits.

He referred to the legal opinion which was given in 1980 which summed up the opinion that the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin should exert its jurisdiction over fee land within the reservation boundaries and not allow State or local ordinances, codes or regulations to supercede their Tribal powers of self government and economic development.

Mark made a motion to authorize John Spangberg to proceed with the Mound type septic

on Fee lands. Kathy Hughes seconded. Loretta Metoxen abstained. Motion Carried.

Tony Benson moved to have John Spangberg proceed with steps to do 638 on the next contract. Mark seconded. Motion Carried.

Kathy Hughes moved to approve John's recommendation that we request Indian Health Service to handle the bid process for improvements on the original pump house. Lois Seconded. Motion Carried.

John was requested to bring in a cover letter to go along with the Resolution that has to go with the 638 part.

It was felt that someone from the Business Committee should accompany John to Rhinelander for the meeting. John read the draft letter that he will bring back on Friday for approval. Kathy Made a motion to approve Tony Benson's travel to Rhinelander on the 25th. Lois seconded. Tony abstained. Motion Carried.

Loretta was excused for an appointment at 9:35.

#### TEMPORARY ELECTION ORDINANCE

Mark Powless moved to approve the Temporary Election Ordinance. Tony Benson seconded. Motion Carried. Gordon stated that the Election Board will be meeting on Thursday.

#### LAND PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION (Ethel Carufel property at \$3,000.)

As Loretta was not back yet Kathy felt she could go ahead with this as she had sat in on that meeting when they discussed this property. Mark moved to approve the purchase of two (2) lots next to the Benson property, Kathy Seconded. Motion Carried.

#### EXTENDED PROBATIONARY PERIOD FOR BINGO WORKERS

In checking with Dale, Gordon stated that the Director did extend these. This is for information only.

#### ACCOUNTING OFFICE OVERTIME PAY

In packet from Finance and Appropriation packet, overtime hours were documented for Vince, Lynn and Doris from June 1st, that had occurred as a result of working on the Indirect Cost proposal. This will be completed and mailed out by July 30, 1983. Lois moved to approve the \$1,000.00 for the overtime for these people to come from the General Fund. This was a recommendation of the Finance and Appropriation committee. Kathy seconded. Motion Carried. This is not to extend beyond July 30, 1983. Loretta Metoxen returned.

#### RECREATION

Kathy stated that the Tribe does not own the property. Holy Apostle's Church owns this. A letter was sent some time ago stating that the Tribe has perpetual use of the property for athletic purposes. There were questions as to the license to sell liquor on the property. There was lengthy discussion as to this request to sell on this property and how it would affect the Tribe. This request was only for this one day. It was felt we should get a legal opinion. After this discussion Lloyd moved that we deny the sale of beer for this June 26th game. Mark seconded. 2 Voted in favor, three opposed, Loretta abstained because of statements made that business would be going to both bars across the road. Lois opposed because it is not stated in this motion that it is for the Recreation Department. Motion Failed.

Cliff offered to go to the Shoreline League and see if they will handle this.

Kathy feels that this should be brought up again and settled not just for one game. The attorneys should be contacted for a legal opinion. This should be put on the table for Friday, July 29, 1983 agenda.

#### FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Kathy moved to approve the F&A Committee recommendation for the Health Center budget modifications based on contract increases, no contribution is required Lois Powless Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mark Powless moved to approve of the Finance & Appropriation recommendation to purchase two (2) air conditioners to come from Management Services. Lloyd E. Powless seconded. Motion Carried.

#### HEALTH EXPANSION BUDGET - Tony Utschig

This revised budget will be moved to Friday because everyone has not had a chance to review this. There were several questions on the revised budget. Kathy, Tony Utschig and Tony Benson will go over this budget and bring it back on Friday.

#### BLOCK GRANT MEETING IN GREEN BAY

Tony Benson brought up the Community Services Block Grant meeting in Green Bay. There will be several people from the Tribe attending and he feel there should be more people attending.

#### TRAVEL REQUEST

Lloyd Powless moved to approve Lois Powless request for travel to Boulder, Colorado to look at Upward Bound Program and to meet with Norbert Hill, Jr. in regard to the Rosa Minoka Foundation on July 25, 26 and 27. Tony seconded. Motion Carried. Lois and Mark Abstained.

#### ONEIDA HOUSING AUTHORITY RECOMMENDATION

Lois read the decision of the Oneida Housing Authority recommendation to deny the request from Diane Funmaker and have the garnishment remain at the 20%. After discussion it was the consensus of the committee that she had ample time to contact the Housing Authority before this to settle this. Kathy Hughes moved to support the Housing Authority action which was to remain at the 20% deduction. Loretta Seconded. Motion Carried. Mark Opposed.

#### REGUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM JEFF MIRASCOLA

This memo is in regard to a half hour documentary he is working on. He has requested some information and Mark felt he could not release this without the Business Committee approval. After discussion on each of the items requested, Loretta Metoxen moved to approve the releasing of these items with the exception of #8, which was a request to know how much land is individually owned by Tribal members. Kathy Hughes seconded. Motion Carried.

MEMO REGARDING PURCHASING PROCEDURES

In a memo to the Business Committee of July 19, 1983, Rose Melchert, the purchasing agent stated some concerns regarding procedures not being followed. She has contacted directors in regard to this but the problems still continue. After discussion of this memo Lois made a motion that Kathy and Gordon research this problem of Rose's concerns bring this back to the Business Committee one week from Friday. Loretta seconded. Motion Carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion made by Mark Powless to approve travel for Tony Benson for Indian Child Welfare meeting in Wausau on August 1, 1983. Lois Powless seconded. Motion Carried. Tony abstained.

Kathy Hughes moved to recess. Lois Powless seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting was recessed at 11:50 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Patricia M. Benson, Recording Secretary