

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.

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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.

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1996 - 9:00 A.M. BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Deborah Doxtator-Chair, Julie Barton-Secretary, Kathy Hughes- Treasurer, Ernie Stevens, Jr., Sandra Ninham, Shirley Hill, Tina Danforth, Leland Danforth-Council Members

EXCUSED: Gary Jordan - Vice-Chair

OTHERS PRESENT: Alan Cornelius, Irv Thompson, Barb Dickson, Bernice Elm, Chris Doxtator, Karen Cornelius, Ted White, Gerald L. Hill, Lloyd Powless, Carol Robilia, Marianne Close, Linda Torres, Mary Peterson, Jenny Webster, Heidi Frechette, Larry Cornelius, Matt Powless, Dennis Danforth, Debbie Danforth, Adrian Gershom, Patty Hoeft, Sandi Skenandore, Keith Quiver, Francine Skenandore

OPENING: Leander Danforth

I. CALL TO ORDER BY DEBORAH DOXTATOR AT 9:00 A.M.

II. OATH OF OFFICE

Oneida Housing Authority Board - administered by Leland Danforth
Mary E. Metoxen

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. ADDITIONS:

TO RESOLUTIONS:

1. Billie-Jo Adkins Cornelius RE: Personnel Commission
2. Deborah Doxtator RE: Chief Negotiators of Oneida Nation of Wisconsin regarding Oneida Land Claims
3. Dr. Ron Babba RE: Transportation Planning Grant Fund

TO REQUESTS:

7. Kathy Hughes RE: National Indian Education Committee Bid for Annual Conference in Milwaukee
8. Art Skenandore RE: Request for Land Claims Meeting, September 11, 1996 2:00 p.m.

TO TRAVEL REQUESTS:

4. Ernie Stevens, Jr. RE: NCAI - Intertribal Monitoring Association - Las Vegas, NV Sept. 19-20
5. Ernie Stevens, Jr. RE: NCAI - Healing from Violence Leading Our Community to Health And Harmony - Tuscon, Arizona Sept. 17-20
6. Deborah Doxtator, Chris John RE: Hearing on Sovereign Immunity -Place to be announced September 24, 1996
7. Kathy Hughes RE: Honoring the late Tadadaho of the Iroquois Confederacy September 28,1996 - New York

B. DELETIONS:

C. MOVED:

From Request # 4. Julie Barton RE: Status Report on Howard Johnson Building
To Executive Session

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

For the Record, Ernie Stevens, Jr. stated his brother Coleman would have be 36 years old tomorrow. Several years ago, he committed suicide while he was alone. Over the past several months, we've had a lot of tragic situations in our community along those same lines. I want to say to everyone, we need to strategize on doing things in our community so that we can listen to our community. We've had a message that was brought to us, and several messages in our own families. I wanted to say that to you in a good way and acknowledge my brother in that way.

IV. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED:

Regular Business Committee Minutes of September 4, 1996

APPROVED AS CORRECTED

V. TABLED BUSINESS:

Chris Doxtator

RE: Addendum A Commercial Leases

Excerpt from the August 28, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO TABLE THE COMMERCIAL LEASES UNTIL SEPTEMBER 4, 1996, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. TINA DANFORTH OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.

Excerpt from the September 4, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO LEAVE THIS ITEM ON THE TABLE, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO TAKE THIS ITEM FROM THE TABLE, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO APPROVE A COMMERCIAL LEASE FOR COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT OCCUPANCY AT 894 RIVERDALE, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO LEAVE 3757 HILLCREST PROPERTY ON THE TABLE, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Pardons:

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO DEFER FOR ONE WEEK THE PARDON FOR STEVE WEBSTER, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY GARY JORDAN TO DEFER THE PARDON FOR JOHNNY SKENANDORE FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. REPORTS

- A. HOTEL CORPORATION-1st Wednesday of the Month - Pat Lassila**
- B. APPEALS COMMISSION-(QUARTERLY: JAN 10/APR 10/JULY 10/OCT 9)
2nd Wednesday of the Month - Carol Liggins**
- C. ONEIDA TRIBAL SCHOOL BOARD - 3rd Wednesday of the Month - Dr. Carol**

Excerpt from the September 4, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. TO TABLE UNTIL A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER IS PRESENT, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ACCEPT THE SCHOOL BOARD REPORT, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- D. HOUSING AUTHORITY-4th Wednesday of the Month-Evelyn Elm**
- E. ONCOA-4th Wednesday of the Month-Warren Skenandore**

Excerpt from the August 28, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO DIRECT BILL GOLLNICK TO RESEARCH WHO WOULD BE A GOOD REPRESENTATIVE AND BRING RECOMMENDATION TO THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Excerpt from the September 4, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response Due September 11, 1996

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO APPROVE THE ONE WEEK EXTENSION, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Artley Skenandore, Neil Cornelius

RE: Alternative to Current Fence

Excerpt from the August 28, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DEFER THIS ITEM TO THE GENERAL MANAGER AND GAMING GENERAL MANAGER TO RESOLVE AND REPORT BACK ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1996 BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE OPTION OF REPLACING THE CURRENT FENCE WITH A WOODEN FENCE, AND TO WORK WITH THE DOXTATOR'S ON A FEASIBILITY ON MOVING THE HOUSE OR ANY OTHER ALTERNATIVES, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response Due September 11, 1996

Response Submitted

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VII. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE

VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE

IX. AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

Billie-Jo Adkins Cornelius

RE: Personnel Commission

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO SEND THIS ITEM TO THE LOC, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Deborah Doxtator

RE: Chief Negotiators of Oneida Nation of Wisconsin regarding
aOneida Land Claims

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION 9-11-96-A WITH THE CHANGE OF THE TREASURER BEING THE CHIEF NEGOTIATOR AND THE GENERAL MANAGER SERVE AS THE ALTERNATE, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. LELAND DANFORTH OPPOSED. KATHY HUGHES, SHIRLEY HILL ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Ron Babba

RE: Transportation Planning Funding

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 9-11-96-B, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. TINA DANFORTH, SHIRLEY HILL ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

B. BINGO PASS REQUESTS

C. REQUESTS

Brian Doxtator

RE: Submitted Petition calling for a GTC Meeting to Rescind the
Education Scholarship Resolution

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO TABLE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Ernie Stevens Jr.

RE: Posting of Oneida Police Commission Position

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO POST THE ONEIDA POLICE COMMISSION POSITION, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY TINA DANFORTH TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF YVONNE SKENANDORE, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Bernice Elm

RE: Land Management

1. Land Acquisition Minutes of 8-289-96

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO ACCEPT THE LAND ACQUISITION MINUTES, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Approve Easements for K.C. Hamilton to John Hill, Lary Lambie to Oneida Tribe

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. TO APPROVE EASEMENTS FOR K.C. HAMILTON TO JOHN HILL RESOLUTION 9-11-96-C, LARRY LAMBIE TO ONEIDA TRIBE, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Approve release of Digital Data for Publication

MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO SEND THIS ITEM TO CHIEF COUNSEL'S OFFICE FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION TO BE BROUGHT BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Approve letter to Office of Trust regarding Rights of Way over Indian Lands

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE LETTER FOR THE CHAIR'S SIGNATURE TO THE OFFICE OF TRUST REGARDING RIGHTS OF WAY OVER INDIAN LANDS AND THAT CHRIS JOHN REVIEW THE PROPOSED COMMENTS, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Approve Training Site for Heavy Equipment

MOTION BY TINA DANFORTH TO APPROVE THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT TRAINING SITE, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Approve Proposal for Bellin

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL THAT THE PRE LEASE NEGOTIATIONS ARE AUTHORIZED, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Julie Barton RE: Status Report on Howard Johnson Building

Moved to Executive Session

- 5 Julie Barton RE: Library Board Recommendation

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF LINDA A. TORRES TO THE LIBRARY BOARD, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. TINA DANFORTH, SHIRLEY HILL ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Julie Barton RE: Personnel Commission Vacancies

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATIONS OF DAVE BISCHOFF AND ANNA JOHN, AND APPROVE THE REPOSTING OF THREE VACANCIES, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Kathy Hughes RE: National Indian Education Committee Bid for Annual Conference in Milwaukee

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE NATIONAL INDIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE BID FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN MILWAUKEE, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Art Skenandore RE: Request for Land Claims Meeting

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO APPROVE THE MEETING, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. SHIRLEY HILL ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

For the Record, Shirley Hill abstained because she didn't know of the content of last weeks meeting

D. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

E. TRAVEL REQUESTS

1. Sandra Ninham RE: London, England -World Travel Market Expo
November 7-16, 1996

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. SANDRA NINHAM ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

- 2 Neil Cornelius RE: Las Vegas, Nevada - World Gaming Congress
Julie Barton October 1-3, 1996

MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Gary Jordan RE: Indian Affairs Hearings - Washington, DC
September 17, 1996 - Economic Development on Reservations
September 24, 1996 - Civil Jurisdiction on Indian Lands
September 25, 1996 - Navajo - Hopi Relocation Commission
Phase - Out

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST FOR SEPTEMBER 17TH AND 24TH, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Ernie Stevens, Jr. RE: Intertribal Monitoring Association - Las Vegas, NV Sept. 19-20

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. TINA DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Ernie Stevens, Jr. RE: Healing from Violence Leading Our Community to Health And
Harmony - Tuscon, Arizona Sept. 17-20

MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Deborah Doxtator, Chris John RE: Hearing on Sovereign Immunity -Place to be announced
September 24, 1996

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST AND TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIRECTOR TO DRAFT TESTIMONY FOR THE SEPTEMBER 24, 1996 SENATE COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS HEARING. HE TESTIMONY THESIS WILL BE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, "UNDER OUR SOVEREIGN JURISDICTION, WE ENSURE DUE PROCESS AND EQUAL JUSTICE FOR EVERYONE ON AND NEAR OUR RESERVATION." FURTHERMORE, CONCEPTS WITHIN THE THESIS SHALL FOCUS ON GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, TRIBAL COURTS - APPEALS/LAW ENFORCEMENT, TAS, QUALITY OF LIFE, RESERVATION ECONOMY, SERVICE AGREEMENTS, AND TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY; TO BE DRAFTED AND EDITED AND BROUGHT BACK ON THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE AGENDA IN

ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Kathy Hughes

RE: Honoring the late Tadadaho of the Iroquois Confederacy
September 28, 1996 - New York

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE TRAVEL REQUEST, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. KATHY HUGHES ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. VACATIONS

Sandra Ninham

RE: November 25-27, 1996

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO APPROVE THE VACATION REQUEST, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. SANDRA NINHAM ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Julie Barton

RE: October 7-9, 1996

MOTION BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. TO APPROVE THE VACATION REQUEST, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OTHER

Ten minute break

Back in session at 11:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. ONEIDA LAND CLAIMS - 1st Wednesday of the Month - Patty Hoeft

B. OLD BUSINESS

Shirley Hill

RE: Personnel Grievance

Excerpt from the July 10, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO REFER THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER TO SHIRLEY HILL, RUSSELL METOXEN FOR A COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATION BY COMPARISON OF REPORTS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Excerpt from the August 7, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY LORETTA V. METOXEN TO DEFER THIS ITEM UNTIL AUG. 28, 1996, SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Excerpt from the September 4, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO

DEFER THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response Due September 11, 1996

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO HAVE A MEETING WITH THE GENERAL MANAGER AT 1:30 P.M. TODAY, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. TINA DANFORTH, SHIRLEY HILL, LELAND DANFORTH ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DIRECT CHIEF COUNSEL TO WORK WITH THE CHAIR ON DRAFTING A LETTER IN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINANT, SECONDED BY LELAND DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

For the Record, Shirley Hill if at all possible in the letter, if it could be stipulated as to how it's followed in the course of policies and procedures.

Kathy Hughes, Artley Skenandore

RE: Policy regarding LTE Status

Excerpt from the September 4, 1996 Business Committee Meeting: MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO DIRECT KATHY HUGHES TO WORK WITH THE GENERAL MANAGER TO BRING RECOMMENDATION BACK IN ONE WEEK, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Response Due September 11, 1996

Response Submitted

MOTION BY SANDRA NINHAM TO APPROVE A ONE WEEK EXTENSION, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. KATHY HUGHES ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Chris Doxtator RE: Land Management

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO APPROVE THE LAND PROPERTIES TO NEGOTIATION, SECONDED BY SANDRA NINHAM. SHIRLEY HILL ABSTAINED. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Keith Summers RE: Babcock Development

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO ACCEPT THE REPORT, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Julie Barton RE: Oneida Inn

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO APPROVE THE PROJECT CONCEPT FOR THE ONEIDA INN TO PROCEED WITH THE DUE DILIGENCE ANALYSIS, SECONDED BY ERNIE STEVENS, JR. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY JULIE BARTON TO DIRECT THE GENERAL MANAGER TO PROVIDE UPDATED

MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE AGENDA ON THE BABCOCK AND ONEIDA INN PROJECTS, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO RECESS UNTIL 1:30 P.M., SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Back in session at 1:45 p.m.

4. Skenandore and Associates RE: Fort Howard

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO INCLUDE FORT HOWARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:00 P.M. SECONDED BY KATHY HUGHES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY LELAND DANFORTH TO DIRECT SKENANDORE AND ASSOCIATES TO DEVELOP AND OPINION ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY JULIE BARTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO DIRECT SKENANDORE AND ASSOCIATES TO DEVELOP AN OPINION ON THE NEW RULES ADOPTED BY THE ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO DIRECT CHIEF COUNSEL'S OFFICE TO ANALYSIS AND RECOMMEND ACTION TO THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, CHAPTERS 10 AND 11 BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY SHIRLEY HILL TO PUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COURT ON HIGH PRIORITY, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

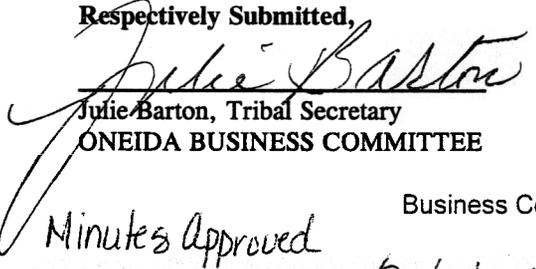
MOTION LELAND DANFORTH TO DIRECT CHIEF COUNSEL'S OFFICE TO DEVELOP CHRONOLOGY OF COURT IMPLEMENTATION TIME SCHEDULE, BACK IN TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY TINA DANFORTH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

XIII. RECESS/ADJOURN

MOTION BY KATHY HUGHES TO RECESS, SECONDED BY SHIRLEY HILL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:20 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,


Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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Minutes Approved
as presented on September 18, 1996.