

# Oneida Nation

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## BC Resolution # 01-23-19-A

### Authorizing the Transfer of Self-Governance Funds to the Town of Oneida for Fire Protection Services

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** it is the mission of the Oneida Nation to govern and protect the people, land, and resources of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation has a compact and funding agreement with the Department of Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) pursuant to Title IV of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638); and
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with the funding agreement, the Oneida Nation assumes responsibility for implementing the Community Fire Protection program; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation receives recurring Self-Governance funds for carrying out Community Fire Protection services for the purpose of supporting Tribal staff, training volunteer firefighters, repairing existing firefighting equipment, purchasing additional equipment, and more; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation and the Town of Oneida enjoy a relationship of mutual trust and respect; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation and the Town of Oneida have been and continue to be good neighbors, and desire in the spirit of cooperation between the two governments to continue doing so; and
- WHEREAS,** both the Oneida Nation and the Town of Oneida exercise jurisdiction and provide governmental services within their respective territories, and both recognize the importance of collaborative efforts to mitigate costs associated with providing governmental services; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation understands the importance of having proper fire protection equipment, including adequate fire fighting vehicles, to ensure the Oneida Nation's people, land, and resources are protected; and

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation does not currently have its own fire department but relies on surrounding municipalities to provide fire protection services; and
- WHEREAS,** the Town of Oneida provides fire protection services to the Oneida Nation and its members; and
- WHEREAS,** the Town of Oneida has purchased a fire truck; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee determined that the members of the Oneida Nation will be better protected with the purchase of this fire truck and decided to contribute toward the cost of the first truck by using funds designated for Community Fire Protection services.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Oneida Business Committee authorizes Self-Governance funds designated for Community Fire Protection services in the amount of \$88,699.42, from Fiscal Years 2011-2018, be made available to the Town of Oneida to assist in the costs associated with the purchase of the fire truck.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 9 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2019; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 8 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting\*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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Lisa Summers, Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

\*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."