

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

BUSINESS COMMITTEE



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.



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 REGULAR MEETING

May 23, 2007

Business Committee Conference Room

Present: Kathy Hughes Vice- Chair
Mercie Danforth Treasurer
Patty Hoeft - Secretary
Trish King - Council member
Paul Ninham - Council member
Vince DelaRosa - Council member
Melinda J. Danforth - Council member
Edward Delgado - Council member

Excused: Gerald Danforth - Chair

Others Present: Barb Dickson, Linda Glaser, Sharon Mousseau, Wanda Diemel, Julie Denny, Barb Skenandore, Dorothy A. Skenandore, Stacey Nieto, Dottie Krull, Kerry Brunette, Leland Wigg-Ninham, Leyne Orosco, Michelle King, Pearl McLester, Mindimoyee, Janice Hirth,

Opening Prayer: Joslin Skenadore

Special Recognitions: Short performance by the Oneida Elementary band

1. **Call to Order** by Kathy Hughes
2. **Oath of Office** administered by Vince DelaRosa
Oneida Personnel Commission
Stacey Metoxen - Present
3. **Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. Additions
 - b. Deletions
 - c. Moves

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the May 23, 2007 agenda, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved

Regular meeting minutes of May 9, 2007

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 9, 2007, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business - None

6. Reports

- a. Bay Bank (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)
John Johnson - 2nd Meeting of the Month

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Bay Bank quarterly report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Environmental Resource Board (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)
Ted Hawk - 2nd Meeting of the Month

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to table the Environmental Resource Board quarterly report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Oneida Personnel Commission (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov)
Gina Buenrostro - 2nd Meeting of the Month

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Oneida Housing Authority (Monthly)
Gina Buenrostro

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Oneida Housing Authority monthly report, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Paul Ninham, Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth. Opposed: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

7. Travel Reports

- 1. Ed Delgado

RE: IRRPCC Meetings

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the IRRPCC travel report, seconded by

Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Ed Delgado

RE: Indian Highway Safety Program

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Indian Highway Safety Program travel report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. General Manager

RE: Evaluation of the Child Care Parent Advisory Committee

Excerpt from April 25, 2007: Motion by Kathy Hughes to refer evaluation of the Child Care Parent Advisory Committee back to the General Manager for further follow-up, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from May 9, 2007: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the evaluation of the Child Care Parent Advisory Committee to May 23, 2007 seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the recommendation not post the vacancy for Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee and to refer back to the General Manager for further analysis report on the status of the Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee and recommendation on dissolution considering General Tribal Council action taken on September 13, 2003 regarding the fees, back in 60 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft

RE: Records Management Restructure Proposal

Excerpt from March 28, 2007: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the request to revise the department of Government Administration organization chart and Chief of Staff position description to transfer authority and management of Records Management to the Tribal Secretary, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from March 28, 2007: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Tribal Secretary to present to the Business Committee in 30 days a plan and proposed budget to begin steps to improve the Tribe's Records Management system, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from May 9, 2007: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer Records Management restructure proposal to May 23, 2007 seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to refer the Secretary's request to the Treasurer's office for funding possibilities of \$90,000 for the FY07 fiscal year for the Records Management project and bring back her findings, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

3. General Manager

RE: Oneida Health Center Quarterly Update

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer the Oneida Health Center quarterly report for 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Paul withdrew motion

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer the Oneida Health Center quarterly report to Executive Staff meeting of July 5, 2007, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Mercie Danforth

RE: Comprehensive report of their respective donation and sponsorship activities for FY04, FY05 and FY06

Excerpt from March 14, 2007: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager, Gaming General Manager, Chief of Staff, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer to each provide a comprehensive report of their respective donation and sponsorship activities for fiscal years 2004, 2005 and 2006 at the Business Committee meeting of April 25, 2007, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Deferred April 25, May 9, 2007

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Treasurer's request for a 30 day extension for the Comprehensive report of respective donation and sponsorship activities for FY04, FY05 and FY06, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

5. JET Team

RE: NIGA Travel Update

Excerpt from January 31, 2007: Motion by Mercie Danforth to have the JET Team coordinate a report to come back regarding the NIGA travel, which includes; what they have learned, and how they can implement it in our organization, and including the cost, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer the NIGA Travel Update for 30 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

a. Resolutions

1. Kathy Hughes RE: Emergency Exception for CFO Position

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adopt the Emergency Exception for CFO Position Resolution 5-23-07-A, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Opposed: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Treasurer's office to bring back a plan on how to fill the CFO and Assistant position in 90 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

2. Kathy Hughes RE: Resolution to Enter into Memorandum of
(Kevin Cornelius) Agreement Accepting Transfer of all Town Roads from the Town of Oneida to the Oneida Tribe

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to table the resolution to Enter into Memorandum of Agreement Accepting Transfer of all Town Roads from the Town of Oneida to the Oneida Tribe until later in the meeting, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to take resolution to Enter into Memorandum of Agreement Accepting Transfer of all Town Roads from the Town of Oneida to the Oneida Tribe from the table, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt the resolution 5-23-07-C and approve the Memorandum of Agreement accepting transfer of all Town Roads from the Town of Oneida, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Kathy Hughes RE: Short Road Transfers
(Kevin Cornelius)

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt Resolution 5-23-07-B to accept the transfer of Short Road from Lawrence and approve quick claim deeds, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Requests

1. Debra Danforth RE: Procedural Exception to the hiring component of the MOA regarding Interviews

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to retro approve the procedural exception to the hiring component of the MOA regarding interviews, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: Post a vacant position for School Board member

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer the posting for the School Board vacancy to the next Oneida Business Committee Meeting of June 6, 2007, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Ed Delgado RE: Submitting resolution for consideration by the GTC Re: Resolution #12-20-06-J

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting with a status report from the Chairman's office and LOC regarding Resolution 12-20-06-J, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado for the resolution regarding BC Resolution 12-20-06-J be submitted to the LOC for a Statement of Effect and be brought back to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting of June 6, 2007, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Travel Requests

1. Jo Anne House RE: Procedural Exception for four members of the Law Office to attend the Wisconsin State Bar Convention

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the procedural exception for four members of the Law Office to attend the Wisconsin State Bar Convention, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Jennifer Stevens RE: Procedural Exception for Land Claims Commissioners and staff to travel to Syracuse, NY May 31 - June 4, 2007

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the procedural exception for Land Claims Commissioners and staff to travel to Syracuse, NY, May 31 - June 4, 2007, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Chief of Staff to send letters to the Oneida, Madison County and to the Governor of New York, regarding the Land Claims Commission being their for travel regarding the homeland tour, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Debra Danforth RE: Procedural Exception to allow 10 H.S. students and 3 Chaperones to attend the Eagle Vision

Summer Institute in Albuquerque, NM July 13-21,
2007

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the procedural exception to allow 10 H.S. students and 3 Chaperones to attend the Eagle Vision Summer Institute in Albuquerque, NM July 13-21, 2007, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Vince DelaRosa RE: Retro Approval for Travel of February 2 for Meeting with Kevin Fitzgibbons

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to retro approve travel for the February 2, 2007 meeting with Kevin Fitzgibbons, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Vince DelaRosa RE: Retro Approval for Changing Worlds' 5th Annual Benefit May 17, 2007 in Chicago, IL

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to retro approve travel to the Changing Worlds' 5th Annual Benefit, May 17, 2007, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Louise Cornelius RE: Procedural Travel for four attendees to participate at the Great Plains Conf. in Minnesota, May 21-23, 2007

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to retro approve the procedural exception for four attendees from the Oneida Gaming Commission to participate at the Great Plains Conference in Minnesota, May 21-23, 2007, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Finance Committee - None

10. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

1. For Consideration LOC Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2007

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the LOC meeting minutes of March 26, 2007, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. For Consideration LOC Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2007

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the LOC meeting minutes of April 9, 2007, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

3. For Consideration LOC Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2007

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the LOC meeting minutes of April 10, 2007, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. For Consideration LOC Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2007

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the LOC meeting minutes of April 23, 2007, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

5. For Consideration Public Hearing date of July 10, 2007 for Amendments to the Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Law

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the Public Hearing date of July 10, 2007 for Amendments to the Hunting, Fishing and Trapping law, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

6. For Consideration Adoption of the Emergency Planning Bylaws

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer the adoption of the Emergency Planning Bylaws to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting of June 6, 2007, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to recess till 1:30 pm, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Treasurer's Report - 1:30 p.m.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Patty Hoefl. Motion carried unanimously.

Noted by Chair: Request for a Self-funded Insurance report presented to the Oneida Business Committee and direct the General Manager to follow-up with a report on expectations and have the Gaming General Manager follow up with strategies and rate of returns.

12. Oneida Business Committee Planning

Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2007

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Oneida Business Committee Planning minutes of May 8, 2007, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Executive Staff Meeting - None

14. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Oneida Gaming Commission Review on NIGC Proposed Regulatory

Amendments - **FYI**

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Gaming Commission review on NIGC regulatory amendments as FYI, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. NAHASDA Draft Bill Provisions Update - **FYI**

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the NAHASDA Draft Bill Provision Update as FYI, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

3. NCAI - Tribal Recommendations to Congress for the 2007 Farm Bill Re-Write

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado accept the NCAI - Tribal Recommendation to Congress for the 2007 Farm Bill Report as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Municipal and County Report
A. Sexual Offender Ordinance

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Municipal and County Report as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

B. 911 Signs Info - Recommendation: Request the General Manager to research grant availability for 911 signs to assist the Town of Oneida in protecting the safety and public health of the residents.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer the 911 Signs Info recommendation to the General Manager to work with Legislative Affairs and bring back a recommendation at the June 6, 2007 Oneida Business Committee meeting on how the Oneida Tribe can help the Town of Oneida with the 911 signs, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Executive Session

a. Tabled Business - None

b. Old Business

1. Gerald Danforth RE: Pardons

Excerpt from April 11, 2007: Motion by Trish King to approve a two week deferral for Francine Valentino and Scott Skenandore, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from April 25, 2007: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item for one month,

seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

Regular Session: 11:55am

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the pardon resolution 5-23-07-D for Francine Valentino, seconded Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the pardon resolution 5-23-07- E for Scott Skenandore, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

c. New Business

1. Cheryl Skolaski RE: Approval of 73 new members and 3 relinquishments

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approval the 73 new enrollments and 3 relinquishments, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. General Manager RE: Derse Inc Contract

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Derse Inc Contract, seconded by Paul Ninham. Moticn carried unanimously.

3. Terry Cornelius RE: Bank of America Loan documents Wastewater Treatment Facility

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve Resolution 5-23-07-F to Approve Consent to Tax Exempt Financing Letter, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve a Special Meeting on May 30, 2007 regarding Bank of America Loan documents for Wastewater Treatment Facility, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Legislative Affairs Update - None

e. Attorney Brief- None

f. Audit Committee - None

g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month) - None

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented on June 6, 2007



Patricia Hoelt, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE