



Oneida Business Committee

Regular Meeting
9 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2011
BC Conference Room, 2nd floor, Norbert Hill Center

Minutes

Present: Chairman Rick Hill, Vice Chairman Kathy Hughes (arrived at 9:30 a.m.), Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council Members Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

Excused: Treasurer Tina Danforth, Council Member Trish King

Others present: Barb Skenandore, Bev Anderson, Gina Buenrostro, Julie Clark, Melanie Burkhart, Clifford Danforth, Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Tonya Boucher, Madelyn Genskow, Florence Petri, Lois Strong, Rhiannon Metoxen, Dianne Mclester-Heim, Shirley Hill, Pete King III, Debra Danforth, Leyne Orosco, Geraldine Danforth, Paul Witek, Joannie Buckley, Pearl McLester

I. Call to Order and Roll Call by Chairman Rick Hill at 9:07 a.m.

II. Opening by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

III. Approve the agenda

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the agenda with the additions: 1) CFO travel request, 2) Procedural travel exception to participate in Milwaukee Indian Summerfest event, 3) Allocate to Retail enterprise six tickets for every Packers game for promotional and marketing initiatives, 4) Contract for Willdan Financial Services, 5) Approve public statement in support of Seven Generations waste-to-energy project air permit award, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

IV. Oaths of Office

1. Bay Bank Board of Directors

John Johnson, 1-year-term-present

Bob Jossie, 1-year-term-not present

Pete King III, 2-year-term-present

2. Personnel Commission

Tonya Boucher-present

Melanie Burkhart-present

Julie Clark-present-present

Clifford Danforth-present

Eric Krawczyk-present

3. Police Commission

Bev Anderson-present

V. Minutes to be approved

1. July 13 Business Committee meeting minutes

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the July 13 Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

2. July 19 Special Business Committee meeting minutes

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the July 19 Special Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens
Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth

Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

VI. Resolutions

VII. Board, Committee and Commission quarterly reports

1. Oneida Library Board

Sponsor: Danielle White

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Library Board quarterly report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

2. Oneida Election Board

Sponsor: Leyne Orosco

Excerpt from July 13: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer to the July 27 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one opposed.

Sponsor: Leyne Orosco

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer the Oneida Election Board quarterly report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Oneida Election Board quarterly report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

3. Oneida Arts Board

Sponsor: Kelly Skenandore-Holtz/Beth Bashara

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Arts Board quarterly report, supported by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

4. South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services

Sponsor: Jackie Zalim

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services quarterly report to the Aug. 10 BC meeting, supported by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

5. Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee

Sponsor: Chris Cornelius

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee quarterly report to the Aug. 10 BC meeting, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

6. Oneida Personnel Commission

Sponsor: Susan Daniels

Excerpt from July 13: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Oneida Personnel Commission to the July 27 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. to accept the Oneida Personnel Commission quarterly report, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

7. Oneida Police Commission

Sponsor: Bernie Stevens

Excerpt from July 13: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Oneida Police Commission to

the July 27 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one opposed.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Police Commission quarterly report, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King

Kathy Hughes arrived 9:30 a.m.

8. Oneida Powwow Board

Sponsor: Lloyd Powless/Michelle Danforth

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Oneida Powwow Board quarterly report to the Aug. 10 BC meeting, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

VIII. Standing Committees

A. Legislative Operating Committee

B. Finance Committee

1. Finance meeting minutes July 22

Sponsor: Tina Danforth

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the July 22 Finance Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with two abstentions:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes

Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

C. Community Development Planning Committee (CDPC)

1. CDPC meeting minutes May 5

Sponsor: Ron "Tehassi" Hill

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the May 5 CDPC meeting minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

D. Audit Committee

IX. Travel

A. Travel reports

B. Travel requests

X. General Tribal Council

1. Balance FY12 budget and set date for GTC meeting

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Excerpt from July 19 special Business Committee meeting: Motion by Tina Danforth to direct the Secretary's Office to bring back a date as soon after Sept. 15, 2011 to hold a GTC meeting for the budget of 2012 and that the Treasurer bring back a continuing budget resolution, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to schedule Nov. 21 as the GTC special meeting date to deal with the nine proposed resolutions petitioned by Madelyn Genskow, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens
Abstained: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

Motion by Patty Hoeft to set Nov. 28 to consider the FY12 budget and cancel the date set for Aug. 29, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with two abstentions:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens
Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth, Kathy Hughes
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt the resolution 07-27-11-A Continuing to Operate in FY2012, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens
Abstained: Kathy Hughes
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

XI. Follow-ups/BC directives

1. Approve proposed 2011 orientation plan and transition schedule for newly elected Oneida Business Committee

Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth

Excerpt from June 22 Business Committee meeting: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve all eight recommendations that the orientation team provided and the update come back to July 27 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth.

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the 2011 orientation plan and transition schedule report, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens
Abstained: Kathy Hughes

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

2. Request from tribal member for assessment of Behavioral Health operations

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

***Excerpt from June 22 Business Committee meeting:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to refer the report from the General Manager and the Ombudsman regarding the assessment of behavioral health operations to the Quality of Life Standing committee July agenda and report with recommendations on steps to address these concerns be provided to the Business Committee within 60 days, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the request for an assessment of Behavioral Health operations to the Quality of Life standing committee meeting in September, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

XII. Tabled Business

XIII. New Business/Requests

1. Approve Design Development(DD) phase and activation of FY2011 CIP Funds for ORCCC CIP #98-005

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Design Development (DD) phase for project CIP #98-005, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the activation of \$17,514,933 from the FY2011 CIP budget for CIP #98-005 ORCCC, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

2. Regions V-VII Tribal TANF meeting representative request

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Motion by Patty Hoeft to assign the Chairman or his designee to attend the Regions V-VIITANF meeting, August 16-17, 2011, Minneapolis, MN seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried with one abstention:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Abstained: Kathy Hughes

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

3. Approve recommendation for Oneida Library Board appointments - Charlene E. Cornelius and Janet M. Hill

Sponsor: Rick Hill

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the appointments of Charlene E. Cornelius and Janet M. Hill to the Oneida Library Board, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Not present: Melinda J. Danforth

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

4. Research project request – The Tribal Finance Information Clearing House

Sponsor: Rick Hill

Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the recommendation that the research project request be forwarded to the CFO and Chief Counsel to review and make a recommendation on whether the Tribe should participate in this research, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

Not present: Melinda J. Danforth

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

5. Gaming Commissioner Shirley Hill trade back for cash request

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft/Shirley Hill

Motion by Patty Hoeft to deny Gaming Commissioner Shirley Hill's request for trade back for cash, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Not present: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

Motion by Ed Delgado to defer this issue to the Legislative Operating Committee to see if we can provide a legislative fix for this, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens

Not present: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

XIV. Additions

1. Financial Executives International (FEI) Forward 2011 Conference, Minneapolis, MN Sept. 19-20, 2011

Sponsor: Larry Barton

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve travel for the CFO to the Financial Executives International (FEI) Forward 2011 conference, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens
Not present: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

2. Indian Summerfest, Milwaukee, WI Sept. 11-13, procedural exception for travel

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the procedural exception request for Milwaukee Indian Summerfest and to include the allowance of the Business Committee members to attend as well, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Brandon Stevens
Not present: Kathy Hughes, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

3. Retail Enterprise request allocation of six of 10 Packers tickets for every game for promotion and marketing initiatives

Sponsor: Debbie Thundercloud

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve that six of the tickets be pulled from the current allocation of the Packers/Oneida agreement so that four of the tickets can be used for retail for their promotional Packers scratch off game and their rewards program and two of them will be used for revenue generating promotions for joint marketing that would ultimately result in revenues to the Radisson, Thornberry Creek and tourism events sponsored by the tourism department, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Brandon Stevens
Not present: Kathy Hughes, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

4. Willdan Financial Services-Arbitrage Rebate contract approve

Sponsor: Larry Barton

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the recommendation for Willdan Financial Services for a \$2,000 contract plus any incidentals, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens
Abstention: Melinda J. Danforth
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

5. Oneida Tribe public statement supporting air permit award to Seven Generations waste-to-energy project

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the draft statement for the public hearing, supported by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried with two opposed:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens
Opposed: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

Amendment to the motion by Melinda J. Danforth to delete paragraph five of the draft statement, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Amendment carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

Second amendment by Patty Hoeft to delete paragraph four of the draft statement, seconded by Ed Delgado. Second amendment failed with three for the amendment and four opposed:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes
Opposed: Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Rick Hill
Excused: Tina Danforth, Trish King

XV. Action in open session on items from Executive Session Discussion meeting of July 26, 2011

Rick Hill recused himself at 10:59 a.m. from participating in any executive session actions

A. Executive Managers reports

1. New York land claims settlement negotiations update with Oneida Land Claims Commission

Sponsor: Bill Gollnick

No action because no report was provided

2. Gaming General Manager bi-monthly report

Sponsor: Louise Cornelius

Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Gaming General Manager bi-monthly report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

3. Chief Counsel report

Sponsor: Jo Anne House

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Chief Counsel report, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

B. Audit Committee

C. Follow-ups/BC directives

D. New Business/Requests

1. Pardon Resolution - Jeffery Silas

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the pardon resolution regarding Jeffery Silas, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

2. Pardon Resolution - Amanda Owens

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adopt the resolution to grant the pardon to Amanda Owens, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

3. Pardon Resolution - Robintina Dickenson

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the resolution to grant a pardon to Robintina Dickenson, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

4. Pardon Resolution – Patrick Mencheski Sr.

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adopt the resolution to grant a pardon to Patrick Mencheski Sr., seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens

Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

5. Tribal member complaint

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Tribal member complaint to the Police Commission, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

6. Vendor complaint

Sponsor: Patty Hoeft

Motion by Patty Hoeft to send the Vendor complaint to the Treasurer to bring back a recommendation to the Business Committee at the Aug. 10 agenda, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Brandon Stevens
Opposed: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.
Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

E. Additions

XVI. Adjourn

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adjourn at 11:01 a.m., seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.,
Brandon Stevens
Excused: Tina Danforth, Rick Hill, Trish King

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on Aug. 10, 2011.



Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

