



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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE



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

November 12, 2008

Business Committee Conference Room

Present: Rick Hill – Chair
Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair
Tina Danforth – Treasurer
Patty Hoeft - Secretary

Edward Delgado - Council member
Melinda J. Danforth - Council member
Brandon Stevens - Council member
Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. - Council member
Trish King - Council member

Excused:

Others Present: Michele Doxtator, Barb Skenandore, Matt Cornelius, Marty Antone, Racquel Hill, Jeff Mears, Linda Glaser, Mary Adams, Scott Denny, Marsha Danforth, Wanda Diemel, Julie Denny, Louise Cornelius, Apache Danforth, Susan White, Kitty Melchert, Jeff House, Francine Skenandore, Debbie Danforth,

Opening Prayer: Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr.

Special Recognitions: Exxon Mobil Education Alliance Grants to area schools by Lloyd Powless

1. **Call to Order:** Vice Chair Kathy Hughes at 9:10 a.m.
2. **Oath of Office** - none
3. **Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. **Additions:** Add to executive session the Carlyle consulting contract and space analysis of a proposed building acquisition
 - b. **Deletions**
 - c. **Moves**

Action: Motion by Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. to approve the agenda with the additions of executive session old business re: Carlyle Consulting contract and space analysis of a proposed building acquisition, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved

October 9, 2008 Special Business Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Oct. 9, 2008 Special Business Committee minutes to the Nov. 26 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

October 29, 2008 Business Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Oct. 29 Business Committee minutes with the corrections on page one capitalizing Tribe and on page four the action be capitalized, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

November 4, 2008 Special Business Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the Nov. 4 Special Business Committee minutes, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business

October 16, 2008 Special Business Committee Minutes

Excerpt from Oct. 29, 2008: Motion by Patty to table the Oct. 16, 2008 Special Business Committee minutes until the end of the meeting for corrections of adding Trish King excused at 2:15 p.m. and determining the individual vote or vote carried unanimously, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Remains on table.

6. Reports

a. Ombudsman (monthly) Matt Cornelius

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Ombudsman monthly report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to move the Ombudsman monthly reports to quarterly reports, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Travel Reports

1. Trish King RE: Approve Natural Resources Board of Directors & DNR Top Administration Meeting in Eagle River, WI Oct. 22, 2008

Action: Motion by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. to approve the travel report regarding Natural Resources Board of Directors and DNR Top Administration meeting in Eagle River, WI on October 22, 2008, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. RE: Approve NCAI report in Phoenix, AZ Oct. 19-22, 2008

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the travel report regarding National Congress of American Indians in Phoenix, AZ Oct. 19 through 22, 2008, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Trish King RE: Emergency Housing Plan
Housing Taskforce

Excerpt from Oct. 1, 2008: Motion by Trish King to accept the report, support Option A and defer the plan back to the taskforce to return in 30 days, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: Tina Danforth arrived at 9:27 a.m.

Action: Motion by Trish King to support the recommendation of continuing the current process, improve relationships with all resources and accept the report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Tina Danforth RE: Emergency Gas Tax
Paul Van Noie

Excerpt from Oct. 15, 2008: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer for a maximum of 30 days and have the Chief Financial Officer work with retail to have a financial analysis of this proposal and to allow Legislative Reference Office to reformat the draft resolution, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: Rick Hill arrived at 9:49 a.m.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to pass the emergency resolution regarding the state excise tax exemption on gas purchases for all Oneida tribal members, seconded by Tina Danforth. For: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Oppose: Trish King, Patty Hoeft, Tina Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens. Motion failed.

Tina Danforth: For the record, I oppose because the resolution is written with conflicting statements jumping from fuel tax to excise tax and it's not consistent. That's why I don't support the resolution. I support the concept.

Action: Motion by Trish King to defer the policy issue of the state excise tax exemption on gas purchases for all Oneida tribal members and resolution to the Legislative Operating Committee and request that Councilman Delgado to sponsor that, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Amendment to the motion by Tina Danforth to return a report to the Business Committee in 45 days, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Kathy Hughes RE: Evening meeting for reports

Excerpt from Oct. 29, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the evening meeting for reports to the Nov. 12 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer the evening meeting for reports to the Nov. 26 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Patty Hoeft RE: Concerns with GTC packet

Excerpt from Oct. 29, 2008: Motion by Patty Hoeft to bring back a report regarding the questions of the General Tribal Council packet to the Nov. 12 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Tina Danforth to allow Louise Cornelius and Racquel Hill as Election Board members to meet with the Law Office to identify the legal issues they can pursue to remedy their issues around the disclosure of information and it is only to identify the issues and that report be brought back, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Development Team RE: Update Report

Excerpt from Oct. 29, 2008: Motion by Trish King to direct the Development Team to provide regular update reports to the Business Committee starting Nov. 12, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Tina Danforth to move the Development Team update report to executive session and to be identified as the New York Development Team, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business

a. Resolutions

1. Bill Gollnick RE: Redesign of BIA Welfare Assistance Program

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 11-12-08-A Redesign of the BIA Welfare Assistance Program for CY 2008 and Subsequent Years, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Approve to support State of WI/Dept. of Justice CY 2009 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant – Outagamie Co.

Action: Motion by Trish King to adopt Resolution 11-12-08-B State of Wisconsin/Department of Justice CY 2009 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant – Outagamie Co., seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Approve to support State of WI/Dept. of Justice CY 2009 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant – Brown Co.

Action: Motion by Trish King to adopt Resolution 11-12-08-C State of Wisconsin/Department of Justice CY 2009 County Tribal Law Enforcement Grant – Brown Co., seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Ed Delgado RE: Northern Trust Custody Agreement
Susan White

Action: Motion by Trish King to adopt Resolution 11-12-08-D Approving a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for The Northern Trust Company Master Custody Agreement with the Oneida Trust Committee, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: This is a limited waiver of sovereign immunity resolution.

b. Requests

1. Debbie Danforth RE: Approve to fill school board vacancies
Oneida School Board

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the request to have Tracy Metoxen remain and fill Jim Martin's position, Michael Redhail fill Tehassi Hill's position, Georgia Foolbull fill Stacy Nieto's position all until July 2009 and to have Leanne Skenandore's position be posted for volunteers expiring in 2011, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstain: Trish King. Motion carried.

2. Rick Hill RE: Approve recommendations for Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Board

Action: Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the recommendations of appointing Jim Van Stippen and Terry Cornelius to the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Board, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Rick Hill RE: Pardon Committee Appointments

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the recommendation of the Pardon Screening Committee and alternates for 2008 through 2011, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Travel Requests

1. Tina Danforth RE: Approve to attend Global Gaming Expo in Las Vegas, NV Nov. 18-20, 2008

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve Tina Danforth to attend the Global Gaming Expo in Las Vegas, NV Nov. 18 through 20, 2008 seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Finance Committee

1. Tina Danforth RE: Approve Finance Committee Minutes of Sept. 26, 2008

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve Finance Committee minutes of Sept. 26, 2008, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Tina Danforth RE: Approve Finance Committee Minutes of Oct 10, 2008 & Special Finance Committee Minutes of Oct. 14, 2008

Action: Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the Finance Committee minutes of Oct. 10 and Special Finance Committee minutes of Oct. 14, 2008, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Melinda J.

Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Oppose: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.

3. Tina Danforth RE: Approve Finance Committee Minutes of Oct. 24, 2008

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Finance Committee minutes of Oct. 24, 2008, seconded by Trish King. For: Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Oppose: Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth. Abstain: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

1. Trish King RE: Approve LOC Minutes of Aug. 8, 2008

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the LOC minutes of Aug. 8, 2008, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Trish King RE: Approve LOC Minutes of Oct. 6, 2008

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the LOC minutes of Oct. 6, 2008, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Trish King RE: Approve LOC Minutes of Oct. 17, 2008

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the LOC minutes of Oct. 17, 2008, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Trish King RE: Emergency Adoption of the Tattoo & Body Piercing Law

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 11-12-08-E Emergency Adoption of the Tattoo and Body Piercing Law, seconded by Brandon Stevens. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Tina Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstain: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

5. Trish King RE: Public Hearing date of Dec. 23, 2008 for the Tattoo & Body Piercing Law

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the public hearing date of Dec. 23, 2008 for the Tattoo and Body Piercing Law, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Treasurer's Report - none

13. **Oneida Business Committee Planning** - none

14. **Executive Staff Meeting** - none

15. **Legislative Affairs Update** - none

16. **Executive Session**

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to go into executive session at 11:23 a.m., seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: The Business Committee recessed at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with all the BC members present except Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. who was excused to attend a meeting in LCO.

Note: Tina Danforth was excused at 4:10 p.m.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to come out of executive session at 4:40 p.m., seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

a. **Tabled Business** - none

b. **Old Business**

1. Tina Danforth RE: Sub-Committee year-end report

Excerpt from Oct. 29, 2008: Motion by Tina Danforth to accept the report and to defer the financial planning to the Treasurer's office and to report back at the Nov. 12 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Sub-Committee year-end report to the Nov. 26 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Paul Van Noie RE: OBC Approval of Consent Letter
Terry Cornelius

Excerpt from Nov. 4, 2008: Motion by Tina Danforth to defer the guaranty and the promissory note to the Nov. 12 Business Committee meeting to be brought back in finalized form with the necessary changes that were discussed today, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer the approval of the consent letter to the Chair's office to set up a meeting with the owners, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Legislative Affairs

RE: Carlyle Consulting Contract

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Carlyle consulting contract, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstain: Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.

4. Debbie Thundercloud
Paul Witek

RE: Space Allocation Plans for a proposed
building acquisition

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to refer back to the General Manager and Chief Financial Officer for an analysis of actual space needs and a value of vacated retail space and financial impact for the moves and financial options for the acquisition, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

c. New Business - none

d. Legislative Affairs Update - none

e. Attorney Brief

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the attorney brief as FYI, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Audit Committee

1. Ed Delgado

RE: Approve Special Audit Committee
Minutes of May 2, 2008

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Special Audit Committee minutes of May 2, 2008, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Ed Delgado

RE: Approve Special Audit Committee
Minutes of Sept. 4, 2008

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Special Audit Committee minutes of Sept. 2, 2008, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Ed Delgado

RE: Approve Special Audit Committee
Minutes of Sept. 11, 2008

Excerpt from Oct. 29, 2008: Motion by Ed Delgado to defer the audit report and audit minutes of May 2, Sept. 4, and Sept. 11, 2008 to the Nov. 12 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Special Audit Committee minutes of Sept. 11, 2008, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Audit Committee to develop a policy that addresses criteria to be used to be determined when an audit becomes a public document, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Ed Delgado RE: McGladery Contract Audit Committee Training

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the McGladery contract for Audit Committee training with limited waiver of sovereign immunity, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Ed Delgado RE: Information Security Audit

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to request the General Manager to provide an update on the status of the policy development as directed by the Business Committee on June 11, 2008 and to be brought back in 30 days, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Ed Delgado RE: Approve Internal Audit Report

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Internal Audit report, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens. Abstain: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to direct the Chief Financial Officer to provide a follow up on the land acquisition fund, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Ed Delgado RE: Approve Audit Committee Minutes of May 22, 2008

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Audit Committee minutes of May 22, 2008, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority

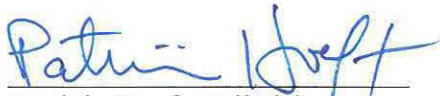
1. New York Development Team RE: Update Report

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the verbal update, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Brandon Stevens to adjourn at 4:50 p.m., seconded by Trish King.
Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on November 26, 2008.



Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE