

August 7, 1967  
Regular Meeting  
Name of Tribe – Oneida Tribe of Indians

The meeting was called to order by Chrm. Hill at 8 p.m. at the Oneida Memorial Park.

Council members Present: Chrm. Norbert Hill, Vice Chrm. Oscar Archiquette, Sec. Ira Cornelius Treas. Joycelyn Ninham

Special guest, Mr. Emmett J. Riley, Superintendent from BIA, Great Lakes Agency, was present to install newly elected officers.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report read as follows:

July cash on hand:	\$2052.87
Deposits	1840.68
Total	\$3893.55

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Disbursements	-2154.66
Cash on Hand total	\$1738.89

Breakdown: Annuity	\$ 70.66
Rehab	1144.37
Tribal	523.86
Total	\$1738.89

Motion by Ira Cornelius to accept treasurer's report as read. Second by Oscar Archiquette. Motion carried.

Chrm. Hill stated that Senate Bill 1972 (Sen. Gaylord Nelson) concerning disposition of funds appropriated to pay judgement of Emigrant New Yourk Indians was listed No. 75 on docket.

Lease file of Norman Elm was discussed.

Chrm. Hill read letter regarding grandchildren of Violet Cieaux. Joycelyn Ninham read letter regarding degree of Indian blood.

Motion made by Ira Cornelius to refer matter to incoming Council. Second by Oscar Archiquette. Motion carried.

Discussion: Department of Housing and Urban development requests re-certification of a Workable Program for Community Improvement. Further discussion on 9-man Housing

Committee. Questions on number of members and whether they make a report to Tribe.  
Decision: yes.

Mr. Riley states Workable Program necessary until proposed houses are finished.

Motion by Joycelyn Ninham to give tribal Chrm. Authority to reorganize a Workable Housing Program. Second by Ira Cornelius. Motion carried.

Ira Cornelius asks if it is wise to get technical assistance on this matter. Mr. Riley answers yes.

Letter from Charles B. Skenandore read requesting relinquishment of Sharon Nancy Skenandore.

Motion by Oscar Archiquette that request for relinquishment of Sharon Nancy Skenandore be approved. Second by Joycelyn Ninham. Motion carried.

Outgoing Chrm. Hill dismissed Committee Chairman as follows: Public Relations, Ways and Means, By-law, Education and any other short term committee.

Motion by Ira Cornelius to buy incoming tribal Chairman a new gavel. Second by Oscar Archiquette. Motion carried.

Report was given on Sheridan, Wyoming pageant. The Oneida Tribal candidate for Miss American Indian Princess, Rosa Hill was first runner up. Several candidates were sick. One other was absent. All kept busy, a very good experience.

Oscar Archiquette reports long distance call from Senator Nelson's secretary, Mr. Tom Bennett, Washington, D.C., in regard to claim disbursements.

Mr. Riley reports on phone call from Senate Investigator, Mr. James Gamble requesting all facts concerning claim. Second call from Mr. Tom Bennett requesting a copy of July 3<sup>rd</sup> resolution to be sent to Senator Gaylord Nelson's office, Washington, D.C. Mr. Riley gave an estimate of breakdown in long conversation. There are approximately 6000 Oneida Tribal members who will be receiving approximately 70% of claim. There are approximately 1200 Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal members receiving 25% or less and about 300 Brotherton members receiving 5% or less of total claim. Attorney's fees will amount to \$121,000. About \$900,000 will then go to the Oneidas.

Secretary of the Interior approves resolution of July 3<sup>rd</sup>. In final analysis, Congress decides how disbursement is to be made.

Article in Voice read by Joycelyn Ninham – Stockbridge wants to settle on Oneida lands. Mr. Riley speculates Vista may be researching and writing on past history.

Chrm. Hill presents check in amount of \$200.40 from AAIA to roof on stone building at Oneida Memorial Park.

Motion by Oscar Archiquette that phone call on Wednesday, 9 August, to Mr. Tom Bennett of Senator Gaylor Nelson's office be made stating that 15% of the total award made to the Oneidas is to be used for Reservation Improvement Program. The 85% balance is to be paid out on a pro rata or per capita share to all eligible members of the Oneida of Wisconsin. Second by Ira Cornelius. Motion carried.

Oscar Archiquette suggests incoming Secretary, Loretta Ellis execute call, collect.

Mr. Riley administered swearing in ceremony. Photographer from Green Bay Press Gazette took pictures for paper.

Motion by Oscar Archiquette to write up credentials for Prof. Donald Weast of University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee regarding sociological survey to be conducted in this area. Second by Loretta Ellis. Motion carried.

Mr. Riley answers questions on report. His opinion: We're not in shape for withdrawal of services, actually need more services at this point.

Oscar Archiquette compliments Mr. Riley on making recommendations to Washington office. He also stated copies of all reports should be available to all tribal leaders. There should be no withdrawal of Federal supervision.

New Business: William J. Reed's application for Standard Land Assignment approved.

Mrs. Inez Grignon needs to make application to Mr. Artley Skenandore Chrm. Land Committee. There is question of whether to make a 3 acre assignment. Ira Cornelius emphatically states land assignments should be no more than 2 ½ acres at any time. Other than for agricultural purposes.

Motion by Oscar Archiquette to ask Ashland agency to revise Land Ordinance. Second by Joycelyn Ninham. Motion carried.

Revised Land Ordinance will be made jointly by Tribal Executive Committee, Land Committee and Realty Committee from Ashland using Planning report of 1964.

Joycelyn Ninham asks that to do when child is not enrolled and parents assume that it is. A decision was made that if the certificates are on hand, they should be re-enrolled without asking an additional fee.

Ruth Baird announced Mr. Armstrong would be at the Mission Hall 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. August 9<sup>th</sup> for Relocation and Vocational counseling.

Motion by Joycelyn Ninham to pay bills. Second by Oscar Archiquette. Motion carried.

Motion by Oscar Archiquette to adjourn to a late date. Second by Joycelyn Ninham.  
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Loretta V. Ellis  
Secretary

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