



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, Inc.



UGWA DEHOLUN YATENE  
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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INFORMATIONAL MEETING  
December 28, 1978  
1 p.m.

Present: V-Chrmn. Norbert Hill, Secretary Patricia Misikin, Members: Myron Smith, Edwin King, Margaret Doxtator  
Also present: Ernie Stevens, Dennis Danforth, Howard Cannon, Mike King and Jerry Fischer

Meeting came to order at 1:05 p.m. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present.

Ernie presented a memo requesting that the OTDC Charter and Ordinance be updated. Updating the ordinance would more strictly adhere to the way the present project is being operated. The items outlined spell out more clearly the changes that have already taken place either by the General Tribal Council, the Business Committee or the OTDC Board of Directors.

(Myron leaves the meeting at 1:30 p.m. - quorum lost.)

Meeting continues in executive session.

It was suggested that a draft of the revised ordinance be presented for review and approval.

Discussion ensued about the current status of OTDC and the intent of ITAC. Ultimately, between the two programs, the Tribe would have a construction company.

Memo requested that OTDC maintain a n average surplus in excess of current liabilities of \$50,000 with the remainder being turned over and disbursed by the Board of Trustees annually. Also requested was that half of the profits be disbursed as bonus payments to employees and performance contracts with its managers. Another request was that the Tribe support and guarantee the corporation's application for bonding on the Tribal Maintenance Building Construction. Third request was that the Tribe approve an OTDC effort for the possible financing and construction of a rental duplex near the Oneida Nursing Home and Health Center complex, contingent on the feasibility of such a project. Fourth request was that OTDC be given the franchise right to locate a retail tobacco outlet at the Oneida Tribal Industrial Park.

Further discussion ensued on the request concerning franchise rights of the tobacco retail outlet. The agreement would be that OTDC would develop the tobacco organization and would receive a fee for the effort. In addition, the franchiser would hold the ownership until turnover time which could be anywhere from three to five years. In this way, the Tribe could realize a profit almost immediately without the problems of start up fees and management costs.

Discussion regarding the current status for the building of two homes. Procedure dictates a bidding process because of a rule that anything over \$10,000 must be put out to bid.

Ernie requested that the Lutheran Home be vacant with the exception of OTDC after the Fritz Hill family leaves so that that the renovation can be done. He stated that it would probably take until Spring to complete the job and that OTDC would be responsible for the utilities during that time. No action taken because of no quorum.

Meeting ended at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Patricia Misikin, Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

## ONEIDA TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION CHARTER AND ORDINANCE

The Oneida Tribal Development Corporation requests that the Business Committee of the tribe amend the charter and ordinance of the corporation in order to bring the organization up to date and make it more consistent with the actual conditions and guidelines in which it operates. The request of OTDC is in line with its continuing efforts to operate the corporation in a businesslike manner and assure the tribal members of a productive organization.

Generally, the changes we are requesting are consistent with the requests which have been reviewed and approved by the Oneida Tribal Business Committee. These changes are also being recommended for implementation through the previous efforts of the O.T.D.C. investigating committee and actions of the Oneida Tribal General Council. We also are relying on the remarks and guidance of the Oneida Tribal Business Committee.

As a result of practises implemented by the corporation with permission of the Business Committee and/or its own board, we find that the present procedures under which we conduct our activities is consistent with tribal guidance, but not consistent with the original tribal ordinance and charter.

We are therefor recommending that the changes be adopted and amended to the original charter and ordinance by passage of a motion by the Oneida Tribal Business Committee which would also function as the board of trustees fo the corporation. These changes can be generally be described in the following manner:

- The business of the corporation shall be conducted by a board of directors consisting of five members who shall elect their own officers.
- The members of the corporation shall be the Oneida Tribal general council.
- The board of trustees shall be the same as the Oneida Tribal Business Committee.
- The chairman of the tribe or his delegate shall be an ex-officio member of the board of directors.
- The board members shall be elected by the Oneida Tribal general council at the same time as the election of the Tribal Business Committee. Initially they shall be elected at the same time that the present vacancy on the Tribal Business Committee is filled.

- The corporation shall be permitted to maintain an average surplus in excess of current liabilities of 50 thousand dollars in a checking account or in marketable securities. The remainder shall be turned over and disbursed by the Board of Trustees annually.
- An annual audit shall be accomplished by the Board of Directors of OTDC and such audit shall be subject to the review of the Oneida Tribal Business Committee and Oneida Tribal General Council.
- The corporation shall be permitted to bid on contracts at any location off the reservation provided that current construction projects are on schedule and bonding is available.
- The corporation shall be permitted to bid on jobs which require bonds providing that the Oneida Tribal Business Committee approves.

#### SEPARATE REQUEST

- OTDC requests that the corporation be permitted to disburse half its profits as a part of bonus payments to employees and performance contracts with its managers.
- OTDC requests that the tribe support and guarantee the corporations application for bonding on the Tribal Maintenance Building Construction.
- OTDC requests that the Tribe approve an OTDC effort for the possible financing and construction of a rental duplex near the Oneida Nursing Home and Health Center Complex. Final approval to be contingent on the feasibility of such a project.
- OTDC requests that it be given the franchise right to locate a retail tobacco outlet at the Oneida Tribal Industrial Park.