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SPECIAL MEETING May 10, 1979 7 p.m.

Present: Chrmn. Purcell Powless, V-Chrmn. Norbert Hill, Secretary Patricia Misikin,

Members: Edwin King, Loretta Metoxen, Mark Powless (late)

Also present: Land Committee, Litigation Committee, Doug Smith and Chris

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ROUTE 4

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. Purpose of the meeting was to meet with and discuss the roles of responsibility of the Land and the Litigation Committees. Quorum of those committees were not available so other items of business were acted on.

Carol Silva requested one week's vacation from May 21, 1979 to May 25, 1979. Loretta moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

A resolution was presented which requested that the Tribe grant the Water and Sewage Department acting in behalf of the City of Green Bay a right-of-way on the Margaret Summers property in return for \$60,000 and for other provisions listed and attached to the document. (Mark arrives at 7:05 p.m.) Discussion ensued on the description of the It was indicated that there is a variance from the first description because of the variance in the starting points of measure but the land space remains the same. Loretta moved to adopt the resolution. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Norbert and seconded by Pat to approve the hiring of Violet Alexander for the Community Health Aide position. Motion carried unanimously.

Loretta requested travel permission to attend an AVTE meeting in Rhinelander on May 14, 1979. Mark moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Vote was 4 for and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

Loretta also requested travel permission to attend an Affirmative Action meeting in Wisconsin Dells on May 21-22, 1979, and to attend the Flandreau graduation on May 23-24, 1979. Mark moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Vote was 4 for and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

Tribal Secretary suggested that the HIP Program be administered by OTDC and a memo from Ernie Stevens was read indicating concurrence with the suggestion. Mark moved to transfer the administration of the HIP Program to OTDC. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Tribal Secretary recommended that the IHS wells and septics list be transferred to the CAP Office and that the contact person be Ted White. Motion was made by Loretta and seconded by Pat to transfer administration of the IHS wells and septics list to the CAP Office. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Norbert that this action take the form of a memo of agreement between IHS and the Oneida Tribe listing the CAP Office as contact. Mark seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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Quorum of the Land Committee was present so discussion ensued on the lines of responsibility of both the Land Committee and the Litigation Committee. Question was raised by one of the Land Committee members as to why that Committee has become involved with litigation if the Litigation Committee was supposed to be responsible for that area.

Lengthy discussion ensued. Consensus of opinion was that the committees would continue to operate as they have been with the Land Committee responsible for all land issues within the Reservation boundaries and the Litigation Committee responsible for all land issues outside the Reservation boundaries.

Litigation Coordinator expressed satisfaction with the efforts of coordination between the two Committees. He asked for more consistent representation at meetings related to Litigation. There will be a meeting on May 27-28, 1979 at Onondaga for a Grand Council meeting. Coordinator suggested that a Committee be formed consisting of himself, two members of the Litigation Committee, one or two members from the Business Committee and an interpreter. Loretta moved to follow the recommendation of the Litigation Coordinator to establish a Standing Committee comprised of two Litigation Committee members, two Business Committee members, the Litigation Coordinator, one interpreter and Francis Skenandore, if he is available. Mark seconded. Discussion ensued about what to do if Francis is not available and it was suggested that we would then need another attorney. Mark suggested using Jerry Hill as a consultant and that Jerry has expressed his willingness to represent us on our behalf. Motion carried unanimously. For the record, it was stated that this Committee will be for informational purposes and that they will meet with other members of the Oneida Nation at Grand Council meetings to try to get an understanding of what other members intend.

Discussion ensued on letter from Tim Coulter which indicated his willingness to file our claim with his suit.

Stanley Webster requested adoption of the procedural outline that was presented twice before and which deals with procedures for handling land claims issues. The draft will be in the minutes for the next agenda.

Litigation Coordinator will coordinate efforts to attend the meeting to the Grand Council and he requested to know who the Business Committee representatives will be. Mark volunteered to sit on the Standing Committee and Norbert indicated he would follow through also. Mark moved that he and Norbert be representatives from the Business Committee on the Litigation Committee. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Norbert offered a retroactive motion to have a General Tribal Council special meeting on May 12. Mark seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Norbert moved to adjourn. Loretta seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Misikin, Tribal Secretary