

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Inc.



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REGULAR MEETING May 21, 1979 8 p.m.

Present:

Chrmn. Purcell Powless, V-Chrmn. Norbert Hill, Secretary Patricia Misikin, Members: Margaret Doxtater, Mark Powless, Edwin King and Myron Smith Excused: Loretta Metoxen and Chester Smith, Treasurer

Meeting was called to order at 8 p.m. Prayer was said by Mark. Roll call taken. Quorum present.

<u>MINUTES</u>: The minutes of 5/4/79 Special Meeting were questioned by Norbert because he felt a motion made by Loretta was missing in regard to selling cigarettes to a non-profit corporation. Norbert cited Margaret as the second to the motion but Margaret could not recall such a motion. Motion was made by Norbert to table the minutes of 5/4/79 Special Meeting until Loretta is present to confirm the missing motion. Myron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes of 5/7/79 Regular Meeting were approved as written.

ENROLLMENTS: Margaret moved to approve the list of May enrollments as presented. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>COMMODITIES PROGRAM</u>: Request was made in a memo from Nori Damrow that the Tribe participate in the USDA Food Distribution Program as developed by GLITC with administration and 100% funding for direct costs and indirect costs to be assumed by GLITC with Tribal supervision through the RNIP Office. The Program requires warehouse space which is available immediately at the Holy Apostles Parish Hall so Nori requested approval of the warehouse being located at the Parish Hall. Mark made a motion to participate in the Food Distribution Program with storage at the Holy Apostles Parish Hall. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>PERSONNEL</u>: Ted White requested travel permission to attend a one-day seminar at Stevens Point on May 24, 1979. Norbert moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark moved to approve the hiring of Catherine Alper for the position of Education Officer. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Pat moved to approve the hiring of Margaret Motiff for the position of Radiographic Technologist. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Request was made to hire Kathleen G. Young for the Tribal Accountant position. Edwin moved to approve the request. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Norbert moved to approve the hiring of Delia Denny, who had been hired on interim, for the position of Housecleaning person at the Tribal Building and the CAP Office. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Opeida Tribe of Indians of Wis. Regular Meeting 5/21/79 Page 2

BIA ZERO-BASED BUDGETING: Request was made by Frank Cornelius that the Tribe designate a person he can work with to discern Tribal priorities for budget purposes. This person would work with Frank and the Finance Committee. Norbert moved that Carl Rasmussen and Bill Gollaick be assigned the duties as requested by Frank. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PARA-LEGAL PROGRAM: Mark made a motion to approve the monthly report for May from the Para-Legal Program. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH BOARD: Motion was made by Norbert to accept the resignation of Elaine Walkingeagle. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark moved to approve the Health Board minutes of 5/14/79. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>GLITC RESOLUTION</u>: Resolution was presented for approval requesting that the Fiscal Year contracting services of the Indian Action Program, Indian Library Training Program, remain with the Indian Technical Assistance Center in Colorado and that subparts 271.24 or P.L. 93-638 be waived and that the GLITC, Inc. operate the Program for the Oneida Tribe. Norbert moved to adopt the resolution. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

LAND COMMITTEE: Request was made to approve the draft resolution to present to the General Tribal Council on June 2 for adoption. The resolution pertains to the Tribe's intent to reacquire land within the Reservation boundaries established by the Treaty of 1838. Stanley Webster indicated that the Land Committee would have an answer for a question related to what happens to the Indian landowner on taxable land in the process being considered and that that answer would be available for the June 2 meeting. Motion was made by Norbert to approve the draft resolution for presentation to the General Tribal Council. Mark seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark moved to present the draft resolution and attached materials at the Special General Tribal Council meeting on June 2, 1979, at 1 p.m. at Sacred Heart Center. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

OHA: Mark moved to approve Sharon Cornelius for the vacant Secretary-Treasurer position on the Oneida Housing Authority. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Request was made to adopt the resolution approving modifications to the leases No. 0-305(65) and B-1010(76) as proposed by the Housing Authority. Motion was made by Mark to adopt the resolution. Pat seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 opposed (Myron). Motion carried.

Pat moved to approve the Oneida Housing Authority monthly report for April. Mark seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 opposed (Myron). Motion carried.

<u>MUSEUM</u>: Alan Crooks asked approval of a budget modification for the Museum. Edwin moved to approve the budget modification as presented. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Edwin moved to approve the April/May monthly report of the Museum. Norbert seconded. Question was asked about religious artifacts being designated as sacred by the religious leaders of the Tribe. Alan recommended that someone be appointed or designated to act as the Tribe's religious leader and that this could be done at a General Tribal Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wis. Regular Meeting 5/21/79 Page 3

Chairman read the letter of resignation from Alan Crooks. Motion was made by Myron to accept the letter of resignation with the effective date of the resignation being 15 days. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Pat moved to report the Museum Director's position immediately for a two-week period. Mark seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman extended good wishes and regrets to Alan Crooks on behalf of the Business Committee and the Tribe.

<u>BUS FUND</u>: Sonny King requested approval to use remaining Bus Funds in the amount of \$1800 for equipment for the purpose of maintaining the Site I park. Discussion ensued on the type of equipment he wishes to purchase. Sonny said he would purchase a lawn mower of the type that is pulled behind a tractor. They currently use Art Skenandore's tractor for pulling. Mark made a motion to approve the request to use remaining Bus Fund monies for the purchase of a lawnmower. Pat seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 opposed (Myron). Motion carried.

Sonny requested approval of an annual cost of living raise from April 1, 1979. He indicated that he didn't have time to approach the Business Committee earlier because of other commitments. Question asked about whether or not he discussed the matter with Personnel in view of the new wage scale for Tribal employees. Margaret moved that we refer the matter to the Personnel Manager. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Sonny requested permission to solicit for funds for sponsors, equipment and money for the Little League. Mark moved to approve the request. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Sonny will draft a letter of approval of the request for the Chairman's signature.

<u>POW-WOW ADVERTISEMENT</u>: Discussion ensued on what space the Business Committee would be interested in purchasing from the Pow-wow Committee for their booklet and what the space would be used for. Pat moved to table action until Loretta is present. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

LANGUAGE COMMITTEE: Request was made for a retroactive increase for Mary Stephan of 65¢/hour from February 5 to March 28, 1979. Margaret moved to approve the request. Mark seconded. Vote was 4 for and 2 opposed. Motion carried.

Request was made that the Language Committee act as the Title VII Advisory Council. Pat moved to approve the request. Margaret seconded. Vote was 4 for, 1 opposed (Myron) and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

Request was made to hire Patricia Farmer, who was temporary office assistant, to fill the position left vacant by Norma Skenandore in view of the short time left in the Language Project. Myron moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Amelia Cornelius requested a special meeting for May 30, 1979. Tribal Secretary will coordinate the meeting with Amelia.

Discussion ensued on the request for \$600 from the Tribe for the purchase of materials, fringe, ribbon and thread (\$350) and for beaded items, baskets and medallions (\$250) for Tribal graduates. Mark moved to support the request and that Amelia Cornelius seek the funds in the amount of \$600. Pat seconded. Vote was 4 for, 1 opposed (Myron) and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

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Pat moved to approve the Language Committee minutes of 3/27/79 and 5/14/79. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>PLANNERS</u>: Resolution was presented asking that the Planning Office develop an agricultural plan for the Oneida Reservation. The Planning Office recommended the development of an agricultural preservation plan and resulting zoning and the resolution approves their effort for doing just that. Margaret moved to adopt the resolution. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Pat moved to approve the Planners monthly report for May. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

OTDC: Ernie memo outlined several recommendations for approval. The first request was that the Business Committee direct the Finance Committee and/or the Accounting Office to secure \$6500 from a Tribal fund source to be deposited into the Enterprise Trust Account at Kellogg's Bank for additional stock inventory and operating capital. Norbert moved to approve the request. Pat seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Second request made was that the Finance Committee and/or the Accounting Office secure either the cash or collateral to assist in the financing of a Tobacco building to be owned by the Tribe and leased to the Tobacco Enterprise at a construction cost of approximately \$32,000. Discussion ensued on when and how the Enterprise will start to pay for itself. Ernie stated he would provide a new cash flow in June. Pat moved to approve the second request. Norbert seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 opposed (Myron). Motion carried.

The third request was that the Planning Office and the BIA real property representative immediately negotiate and accomplish a business lease with the Enterprise to be located at the Industrial Park at Lot #9 at a rate of \$3.50 per square foot of building floor space with a lease for 5 years. Motion was made by Norbert to approve the third request. Edwin seconded. Motion was amended to delete the words "at Lot #9". All concur. Motion carried unanimously.

The fourth request was that the BIA be authorized to either withdraw approximately \$19,000 from the IMPL Account immediately and to coordinate efforts to secure all or part of that amount and make it available for the financing of the proposed building. Mark moved to approve the request. Edwin seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 opposed (Myron). Motion carried.

The fifth request was that the Business Committee approve OTDC as the General Contractor of the lease facility, subcontracting the steel frame construction and any other part not available through force account personnel, and to accomplish the general contracting at cost. Mark moved to approve the request and Pat seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 opposed (Myron). Motion carried.

Ernie also requested permission to consolidate his monthly report with his OTDC report. His report would then contain the monthly report for OTDC, ITAC, HIP and the Enterprise. Consensus of approval was given by the Chairman.

<u>JOM</u>: The proposed modifications and revisions to the four school district LIEC budgets were presented for approval. Revision was necessary because of the \$16,000 add-on monies. Motion was made by Myron to approve the modifications and revisions as presented. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Regular Meeting 5/21/79 Page 5

Ron Skenandore requested that the Business Committee consider sending Norbert to Washington, D.C. to lobby on H.B. 24204. Travel funds would come out of Ron's budget and the request for travel was that Norbert leave as soon as possible. Mark moved to approve the request. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>ANNUAL LEAVE</u>: Tribal Secretary requested annual leave permission for May 24, 1979 through June 1, 1979. Norbert moved to approve the request. Edwin seconded. Vote was 5 for and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

Howard Cannon stated that he talked with Ray Halbritter who indicated that there is a Grand Council meeting this weekend in Onondaga and that we should have representation there. A meeting on Saturday evening should be attended hopefully by all factions of the Oneidas. Mark moved to approve the travel request that members of the Standing Committee established at the 5/10/79 meeting attend these meetings. Edwin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Karen Schultz of Sheboygan raised question regarding Land Committee's request that she attend the June 15 meeting. Question revolves around her 2½-acre parcel of the Alex Cornelius estate of 56 acres. Howard Cannon volunteered to help Karen Schultz resolve the problem with the Land Committee.

Motion was made by Pat to adjourn. Margaret seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Misikin, Tribal Secretary