

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.

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UGWA BENOLUN YATEHE Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in comenting a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the Unite d States was made possible.

SPECIAL MEETING

September 19, 1980 9:05 A.M.

PRESENT: Chrmn. Purcell Powless, V-Chrmn. Norbert Hill, Secretary, Wanda Webster, Mark Powless, Edwin King Jr., Loretta Metoxen.

ALSO PRESENT: Jerry Hill, Francis Skenandore, Mike Schaepe.

The Law Office requested a special meeting with the Business Committee to discuss the following items.

Coastal Planning meeting was attended by Chairman Powless, Jerry Hill, Francis Skenandore, and Mike Schaepe concerning the Van De Yacht property. Jerry stated there is nothing to be jained if we pursue this and this should not have gone on this long.

Motion was made by Loretta to communicate to the Brown County Corporate Council that the Tribe is no longer pursuing the Van De Yacht case, and the Tribe requests Brown County to notify the Tribe when there are permits relative to Coastal Management, the letter is to come from the Law Office. Wanda seconded. Vote was 3 for with 1 abstention (Edwin), and 1 opposing (Mark). Motion carried.

Mark stated when he opposed, he wants the record to indicate it.

Jerry recommended that in the future the Business Committee should consider any conflicts departments or programs have with other agencies should go through the Law Office first.

Motion was made by Mark to direct program directors to go through the Law Office if they have any conflicts with other agencies. Loretta seconded. Discussion: Jerry will help the Secretary write the letter. Motion carried unanimously.

The job description for the Legal Secretary for the Law Office needs to be approved and posted.

Motion was made by Mark to approve the job description retroactive to 9/16/80 and that it posted until filled. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

LAND ORDINANCES:

Jerry asked if his report on land ordinances be postponed until the next regular meeting. Motion was made by Loretta that Jerry be directed to report on the status of land ordinance policy at the next regular meeting which will be October 6, 1980. Edwin seconded. No one opposed, motion carried.

Discussion on delinquent land lease payments, people should be notified and given a time frame in which to clear up their outstanding land lease payments.

Motion was made by Mark to notify people that they have sixty days to pay their deliquent land lease payments. Norbert seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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BINGO:

Francis stated the Law Office has met with the Attorney General to see if his office could take some of the pressure off Brown County, the Attorney General needs a letter from the Tribe attesting that Oneida Bingo is Tribal operated and by being exempt from State law it is not benefiting any one individual. The Attorney General also wants parts of the Bingo Ordinance as to how the Tribe is regulating the Oneida Bingo Program. The law Office will draft a letter to the Attorney General.

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Motion was made by Loretta to authorize the Law Office to draft a letter to the Attorney General, and also to provide him with a outline of the Bingo Ordinance. Norbert seconded. No one opposed, motion carried.

STATE TAX:

Francis stated the State Department of Revenue is in the process of sending a letter to merchants re-inforcing their 1978 letter stating good boughts on the Reservation are exempt from state sales tax.

Loretta presented a resolution whereas the Law Office will meet with the Wisconsin District Attorney General to review and update, and negotiate if necessary, to provide direction for implementation in the State offices, to provide direction for implementation in Reservation areas - develop information for tribal members on their sales tax status and encourage utilization - to develop information for distribution by Tribes to all vendors.

Motion was made by Loretta to adopt the above resolution, effective September 15, 1980, and to amend #1. review and update, and negotiate if necessary. Norbert seconded. Vote was 3 for with 2 opposing (Edwin and Mark). Motion carried.

DOCKET 301:

Francis stated letters have been sent to Mr. Chapman, BIA, Court of Claims, the Justice Department, NARF, and the New York Oneidas informing them of the action which was taken terminating Marvin Chapman. The Law Office will be drafting a response to Chapman's motion in which he withdrew temporary as the Attorney of record on Docket 301.

Floyd Acheson:

Francis stated there are presently eight Attorneys working on this case. The Tribe should be getting around \$300,000 out of the Will. The Will was drafted in 1977 or 1978, signed on January 7, 1977 which excluded his first wife and children, it also excluded his second wife. His son is challenging the Will stating Mr. Acheson was not competent when the Will was signed. There was another Will which was written in 1975 which was probably destroyed.

Meeting ended at 10:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda Webster, Secretary