



Onondagas 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

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UGWA DEHOLUH YATEHE  
Because of the help of this Onondaga Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United States was made possible.

## SPECIAL MEETING

September 1, 1981  
9:35 A.M.

**PRESENT:** Chairman; Gary Metoxen, Secretary; Wanda Webster, Treasurer; Wendell McLester; Tony Benson, Mark Powless, Amelia Cornelius, Howard Cannon, Joy Ninham. (V-Chairman, Norbert Hill - excused.)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Norris Skenandore, Loretta Metoxen, Bruce King, Joe Villegomez, Dick Shikoski, John Powless, Mary Ellen Hayes, Ruby White.

Chairman Metoxen called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. Norris Skenandore was first on the agenda concerning a lease for another roadside tobacco stand. Norris stated that the lease had been drawn up by the OTDC lawyer and also Jerry Hill and Howard Cannon had some input into it. The total amount for renovation of the building is \$2,242.70, with the lighting and security at \$954.93. Discussion on whose signature should be on the lease, it was decided to omit Norris's name and just have the Tribal Chairman's signature on the lease. Norris stated the roadside stand should be in operation by this Saturday. Motion was made by Howard to approve the lease. Mark seconded. Discussion on the amount it would cost to have the driveway paved, Wendell recommended that Norris provide a better financial breakdown that reflects the total cost. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on the need for a copier for OTE, Amelia suggests that Norris work with the Purchasing Agent on this. Also discussed was the need for an inventory of OTE equipment. It was decided that Bruce and Norris would work with the Purchasing Agent on doing an inventory.

Loretta Metoxen asked if the Business Committee would take action on the Land Policies. Mark suggested that we move on with budgets and get into the Land Policies later, as some of the new Committee members have not had time to review the policies.

Ruby White stated there needs to be some decision on the Headstart budget, also the Headstart proposal should have been in Washington today.

### BUDGETS - THAT NEED TRIBAL SUPPORT:

#### REFUSE SERVICE

The amount needed to continue the refuse service is \$21,765. The Tribal Manager recommended that we continue this program, Bruce King stated that a feasibility study is being done on the refuse program, the study should be done in a couple of weeks.

#### KALIHWI'SAKS

The amount needed for Kalihwi'Saks is \$32,000.

#### MUSEUM

The amount needed for the Museum is \$44,000, the General Manager suggested that the Museum Director and Secretary each put in 20 hours per week, this would cut down the amount needed to \$23,000.

HEADSTART

Mary Ellen Hayes explained the Headstart program and budget, Headstart does not pay indirect cost, but pays 15% administration cost. Discussion on the Urban Headstart Program, the Oneida Headstart pays the insurance and utilities for the Urban program. Motion was made by Amelia to approve the Headstart proposal in the amount of \$153,657 and that it be submitted to Washington. Tony seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

The amount needed for this program is \$32,830, which would involve 15 students, the Tribal Manager recommended to keep the Urban Center open, but slowly bring that program back to the Reservation as this should be the priority. Discussion on cutting positions in this program, it should be the responsibility of the Project Coordinator to seek funds for this program.

(Amelia asked to be excused at 12:45.)

Motion was made by Wendell to recess at 12:45 and continue at 2:00 P.M. this afternoon. Amelia seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING CONTINUED AT 2:35 P.M. (Same People were present.)

Chairman Metoxen asked for an executive session with the Tribal Manager.

Chairman Metoxen stated that the Business Committee should not deal directly with Program Directors, the General Manager and the liaison person should be directly involved with Program Directors, any problems that Program Director's have should go directly to the General Manager.

CANNERY

The amount needed is \$17,805, the General Manager recommended that the Cannery be closed 6 months, which would cut this down to \$8,500.

RECREATION

The amount needed is \$30,148, discussion on recreation for all ages in the community.

LIBRARY

The amount needed is \$14,916, the General Manager recommended that this figure stay as is.

SENIOR CITIZENS

The total amount needed for all elderly programs is \$50,912. The General Manager suggested that action be taken on Title V - Senior Citizens.

Motion was made by Wendell to come up with the \$1,360 for Title V - Senior Citizens. Howard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The General Manager also recommended that action be taken on the \$220 for the Woodcutting Project and \$560 for the Wisconsin Older Volunteer Program.

Motion was made by Wendell to approve these two amounts for the Woodcutting Project and the Wisconsin Older Volunteer Program. Howard seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S - TITLE III

This was deferred until a later date.

AGRICULTURE PROJECT

More information is needed on this, deferred until a later date.

PLANNING OFFICE

Amelia suggested that the Tribe implement some of these plans, this was deferred until a later date to allow the General Manager to work on a better budget.

NURSING HOME

The General Manager stated the Nursing Home should be considered more of a service type program and not an enterprise.

Discussion on EOC transferring to UWGB, the General Manager suggested that the Tribe continue with this program for at least another year.

The source of funds were reviewed. Dick suggested that the bank account for OTE should be at the State Bank of DePere.

Bruce King requested a special meeting on September 9, 1981 at 9:00 A.M. for budget requests for economic development.

Discussion on the resolution which was passed by the General Tribal Council on 2/14/76, concerning Business Committee members also being a program director. John Powless recommended that the Lawyers examine the resolution and give the Business Committee a recommendation as that resolution is in violation of the Tribe's constitution and By-Laws.

(Joy asks to be excused at 4:35)

Motion was made by Wendell to take the payroll clerk position off the table and action be taken on it. Mark seconded. Discussion: the reason for this is the person that is in that position is a non-tribal member and we have Oneida people that are qualified. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Wendell to post the payroll clerk position, open to all Tribal members and others. No support of the motion, motion fails for lack of support. Wendell stated he will inform all the people of the action that was taken today.

Motion was made by Mark that a lateral transfer of Pat Nero be made for the payroll clerk position. Amelia seconded. Vote was 6 for with 1 opposing (Wendell). Motion carried.

Wendell requested a preliminary General Tribal Council meeting to be held the first Saturday in October.

Meeting recessed at 5:15 P.M. to continue at 9:00 A.M. on 9/2/81

MEETING CONTINUED ON SEPTEMBER 2, 1981 at 9:10 A.M.

PRESENT: Chairman, Gary Metoxen; Secretary, Wanda Webster; Treasurer, Wendell McLester; Joy Ninham, Amelia Cornelius, Howard Cannon, Tony Benson, Mark Powless.

ALSO PRESENT: Jerry Hill.

Jerry suggested that the Land Committee, Housing Authority and Business Committee meet one hour before the regular meeting on 9/8/81 to go over the land policy. This will be at 7:00 P. at the Health Center.

CHD AMENDED BUDGET

Jerry stated the budget needs to be discussed more in detail before Sept. 15, 1981, the budget was left with the Business Committee for their review and comment and another meeting will be set up to discuss. Wendell suggested that Jerry prepare a total budget before we meet with him again.

A resolution was presented by Jerry to request the U.S. to exercise its trust responsibility to assist and join in defending the Oneida Tribe against action by Mr. Smerud by having the BIA Area Solicitor request the representation of the U.S. Attorney in this case. Motion was made by Wendell to adopt the resolution. Amelia seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry read a resolution for General Telephone Co. to place cables on Government Road, the amount of right-of-way damages would be \$920, at \$2.00 per rod.

Motion was made by Amelia to adopt the resolution. Tony seconded. Motion carried unanimously

Jerry read another resolution for the same right-of-way damages in the amount of \$460 on Poplar Lane. It was decided that Jerry find out the specific distance and the amount of \$2.00 per rod be paid on this also.

Jerry asked if the restriction on Alan King still stands, as he is applying for another job within the Tribe. It was decided that if Mr. King would like to meet with the Council he can set up a meeting with the Secretary.

Hurley Parkhurst asked for authorization for Nancy Webster to work temporary as the Senior Citizen's Coordinator. Evelyn Cornelius will be working interim and will be trained by Nancy. Hurley stated that the Commission on Aging has recommended that Nancy will work temporary and train Evelyn for that position, Evelyn will be funded through CETA. Motion was made by Amelia that Nancy Webster be on an interim basis as Senior Citizen's Coordinator to provide on the job training to Evelyn Cornelius. Howard Cannon seconded. Discussion: Wendell requested that the recommendation from the Commission on Aging be provided to the Business Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Howard requested to travel to Stockbridge with Hurley, Nancy and Evelyn to seek their support on the establishment of our own Aging Agency. Motion was made by Joy to allow Howard to go. Tony seconded. Vote on the motion was 6 for with 1 abstention (Howard). Motion carried.

Chairman Metoxen asked that anyone that attends meetings, a report be given to the rest of the Business Committee.

Discussion on the General Tribal Council meeting called for by Wendell for the first Saturday in October.

Howard suggested that a memo be sent to the Housing Authority on the Land Policy meeting which is to be held on 9/8/81 at 7:00 P.M. at the Health Center.

Motion was made by Amelia to adjourn at 11:07 A.M. Mark seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Wanda Webster, Secretary