



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

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UGWA DEMOLUH 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.

CONTINUATION MEETING  
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Meeting was called to order at 9:07 by Chairman.

Roll call was taken. Present were: Gary Metoxen, Norbert Hill, Wendell McLester, Howard Cannon, Frank Cornelius, Tony Benson, Mark Powless. Joy Ninham was excused.

Others Present: Attorneys' Francis Skenandore, Jerry Hill; John Powless; Joe Villagomez; Mike Schaepe; Bruce King; Sherman Thomas.

Chairman Gary Metoxen commented on the importance of meetings - stressing development of better understanding and minimizing misunderstanding.

## ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

Business Committee and Law Office are approaching finalization of reorganization with emphasis on separation of program, functions and legislative functions. Plan expected to be ready for presentation later this week.

## CHAIRMAN REPORT

Reported on his trip to Mount Scenario College to recognize Dr. Robert Powless, Director of the College. A gift from the Tribe was presented to Dr. Powless.

Chairman is scheduled to testify at oversight hearings in Madison relative to impact on Tribes due to budget cuts. Education cutbacks, most serious.

## SHORELAND ORDINANCE

New cover page being drafted. Will be ready for distribution. Contract not received yet for funding of Water Resource Program but is expected to come through in a day or so. Mike is working every day.

## CONVENIENCE STORE AND STATION

On schedule. Bruce is in touch with main vendor who will do the opening.

## ROLLING HILLS WATER TOWER

Construction near completion. Paint colors will be decided on soon. Arrangements with Town for use fees not settled yet.

### REDBOOK

Has been re-typed and is being printed for Business Committee review. More changes are expected before being released for common use.

### LAW LIBRARY

Attorney Francis Skenandore reported that the Tribe make a commitment to acquire and maintain the library. Most of the books were acquired through the para-legal program. Funds for upkeep need to be identified. Francis volunteered that a saving might be realized since many of the books are seldom used and updating might not be necessary.

9:32 Directors were excused except attorneys, personnel manager and administration.

### FACILITATOR POSITION

A position in the health and social services area at \$24,000/year was lost for failure of Tribe to apply. Administrator was not aware of the position.

### HUNTING AND FISHING

Attorneys informed Committee that 6 cases involving Oneida's hunting out of season and/or without licenses were dismissed in Outagamie County Court. DNR claims no jurisdiction even on Fee land. However, an Oneida may be charged with criminal tresspass if hunting on fee land without permission. Enforcement people feel that the Tribe is taking advantage of State and DNR's position.

### DELINQUENT LEASES

Attorney referred to a recent memo to the Business Committee with updated information on delinquency.

### CO-OP LEASE

Members of Co-Op claim that the computation of the back rent is wrong. Chas Wheelock wants a definite position of the Business Committee on their philosophy in regard to use of land.

### TOBACCO

Attorney informed Committee that van can be picked up at Van Boxtel Ford. However, State claims it can hold Van Boxtel as an accomplice since van leased to Oneida Tobacco Enterprise was used for illegal purpose. State has also cited Ida Stevens and is imposing a \$1,000 fine and/or up to 1 year in jail. Francis will represent Ida. Committee feels that Manager is responsible.

10:05 AM went into executive session

10:20 Returned to regular business

Mark commented on press conferences with Chairman. Asks that criteria be reviewed by committee prior to interviews.

Norbert moved to recess until 1:30 PM. Seconded by Wendell, carried unanimously.

Meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M

#### BILINGUAL/BICULTURAL PROPOSAL

Indirect cost to Tribe estimated at \$17,500. A savings can be realized by using native speakers as consultants rather than employees. Advantage to Tribe being no fringe, no insurance, pay as work is accomplished.

Program will operate in cooperation with school curriculum. There is a need to re-design curriculum to make it useful in school. Frank moved to request that John, Don and Amelia get together and co-ordinate their efforts in putting proposal together. 2nd by Wendell - carried unanimously.

#### INDIAN LAND CLAIMS

Frank moved to approve travel for Gary to Washington D.C. to oppose introduction of legislation to extinguish all Indian Land Claims.

Mark requests to go with Gary. Move to approve by Wendell. Seconded by Frank, carried unanimously.

#### ACCOUNTING

Discussion with Dick on switching to two pay days per month. Would like to hold off 1 or 2 months in order to transfer entire system at one time and not just Nursing Home.

Nursing Home may consider going to outside agency for accounting service. Dick recommends that we wait for final report of Whipfli-Ullrich consultants.

#### OTE

Barbara was to work with Dick to put OTE payroll on central system. No contact made yet. Mark charged to follow up on it. Barbara is waiting for completion of audit and wants to complete W2 accounting.

#### ENTERPRISE & DISCRETIONARY ACCOUNT

Present figures indicate that Tribe is operating at a \$100,000 deficit. Figures are not "real" in that they are relative to "committed" monies.

#### REVENUE SHARING

Account shows a balance of \$70,000 that needs verification. Dick will check out.

#### AUDITS

Accounts audited were Headstart, School Foods, Language, C.D. Block Grant, Title IV, A.N.A. 6/30, Revenue Sharing. Housing is an integral part of Tribal assets and a complete financial statement of Tribe cannot be made without including Housing audit.

#### FURNACE REPAIR

Sonny King reported on emergency situation regarding furnace at Tribal Building. Needs to spend \$1,500 to put back into service. Frank moved to approve expenditure. Seconded by Tony. Carried unanimously.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEES

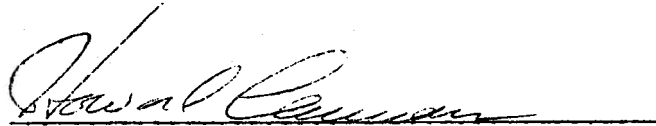
Wendell moved to comply with Accounting Office recommendation to terminate Laura King. Seconded by Howard. Carried unanimously.

Howard Cannon excused at 3:00 to meet with Land Committee and Robert Ambrosius  
Re: Land Purchase.

Tony moved to approve \$689.00 expenditure for security system for museum. Seconded by Frank. Carried with Mark opposing.

Meeting recessed at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Acting Secretary, Howard Cannon