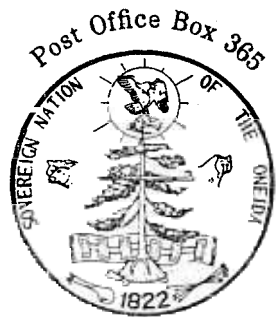




Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them.

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UGWA DEHOLUH YATEHE  
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.

*Approved  
as 6/8/82*

-SPECIAL MEETING-

APRIL 26, 1982

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman.

Present: Gary Metoxen, Norbert Hill, Wendell McLester, Gordon McLester, Joy Ninham, Howard Cannon, Frank Cornelius, Tony Benson

Excused: Mark Powless

Others: Carl Rasmussen, Bruce King, Dick Shikoski, Loretta Webster

Gary stated that Larry Melchert has been hired as dog catcher for the Town Of Oneida.

AMERICAN INDIAN BANK WORKSHOP

Dick would like to be in attendance when the Business Committee is given an update on this workshop.

IBM QUESTIONS

The people from IBM told Dick that curious people have been calling them from the Tribe about the information on the Tribal Computer and Dick said he would try to answer any questions about the computer operation and if he could not the IBM people would get us the information.

COMP. TIME

Dick said this has to be looked at and a new policy worked out

PENSION PLAN

Loretta is checking over the plan with the program directors and getting their feedback to see if the employee's want this plan and can be afford it. Loretta will brink this back to the Business Committee.

PHONES IN CIVIC CENTER

Carl Rasmussen gave the information he has gotten so far and the possible costs. Carl has turned the purchasing over to Rose Melchert.

GRAND OPENING OF ONE STOP (Saturday, May 1, 1982)

Bruce explained the activities that are planned for the Grand Opening.

A new sidewalk has to be put in this summer where the concrete is breaking up. The cost will be about \$1,800.00.

ONEIDA REFUSE

Bruce will give a report on the refuse on April 27, 1982.

LAW OFFICE -

Indian Housing Act of 1982 - HR5988: Jerry Hill said the agenda of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee is filled and we couldn't get anyone in to testify so a letter will be drafted to state the position of the Oneida Tribe regarding the Housing Act #HR 5988.

Docket #301: Francis said the case is close to being dismissed. The New York Oneida's have stated they are willing to have Docket 301 dismissed.

SHERMAN THOMAS

Sherman gave the Business Committee the same information that Bruce King gave on the Grand Opening at Oneida One Stop.

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE

Loretta stated this Program had not been refunded and that Ted White was trying to salvage whatever could be done to get the program refunded.

G.L.I.T.C.

Norbert's report is being typed up at this time.

BUILDING DEDICATION

Wendell said the Dedication of the building went well and Peter MacDonald, Chairman of the Navajo Tribal Council, was glad he could come. Wendell feels these are good public relations that need to be developed, because we never know when we, as Tribe's, can help each other in some way, somewhere down the line.

Wendell represented the Oneida Tribe at the Navajo Administration Building Complex Dedication on April 23, 1982 for the Navajo Nation at Window Rock, Arizona.

10:00 Howard moved to recess until 11:00. Norbert Seconded. Motion Carried.

10:45 Employment Contract for Administrator of Oneida Nursing Home.

Allan King and Anna John presented a draft contract for the Administrator of the Nursing Home and asked the Business Committee to review it. After much discussion Howard moved to send this draft to the Law Office and they are to work out a draft copy for the Business Committee and the Nursing Home Commission by May 3. Norbert Seconded. Frank opposed. Motion carried.

11:45 PROPOSAL TO OPERATE ONEIDA TRIBAL FARM LANDS

The Business Committee asked Howard to check and see if there were Tribal members that would be interested in working the land at the Van Schyndel site. He said Pat & Merlin Cornelius expressed an interest and asked to meet with the Business Committee this morning. Pat and Merlin submitted a proposal for a joint effort with the Oneida Tribe. After much discussion between Pat and Merlin Cornelius they were directed to follow the proper procedure and take this proposal to the Land Committee and the Land Committee would bring a recommendation to the Business Committee. Pat and Merlin agreed to meet with the Land Committee. The Business Committee will contact the lawyers and have them work with Chris Doxtator on developing short term leases.

#### INDIAN CIGARETTE TAX

The Business Committee received information that an Indian Cigarette Tax Proposal had been added as a Rider to the Budget Repair Bill # 733. The Chairman said he would make some calls and the Business Committee would meet this afternoon at 3:00 to discuss the situation.

1:00 Norbert moved to recess until 3:00 P.M. Howard seconded. Motion Carried.

#### 3:20 P.M. INDIAN CIGARETTE TAX

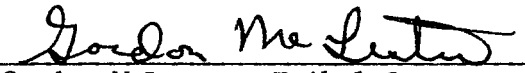
The Chairman had time to contact all the Tribal Chairman and have them all call the Governor about the Tax Rider. Norbert thought the Tribe might put a letter in the Capitol Times. There was discussion as to how to use the media so we get the right message to the Governor, in case the Tribe can't get in to see him. The Governor can veto the Tax Rider when the Budget Bill gets to him if the Tribe's can get to see him and he will listen to the Indian people. The Governor would be signing the Bill on April 29, 1982.

Howard made a motion to send Gary, Wendell and Norbert to Madison to try and talk to the Governor about a veto of the Cigarette Tax Rider. Tony Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mary Greendeer is on the Governor's Domestic Abuse Committee and she will also go to Madison and see if she can help get in to see the Governor.

Motion to recess by Frank, Seconded by Howard, Motion Carried. Recessed at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary