

Oneidas bringing several hundred bags a corn to Washington's corn to Washington's starving army at Val-ley Forge, after the colonists had consist-ently refused to aid them.

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Oneida, WI 54155

approved as read September 6 1982

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Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in comenting a friend-ship between the six of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United

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nation, the United States was made pos-sible.

-SPECIAL MEETING-

## JUNE 15, 1982

Meeting called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Chairman.

Present: Gary metoxen, Norbert Hill, Wendell McLester, Gordon McLester, Howard Cannon Mark Powless, Tony Benson, Frank Cornelius, Joy Ninham.

1981 HIP CLOSE - OUT MEMO- June 14,1982

Phone: 869-2771

I would like to recommend a modification to the 1981 HIP recipient list because of some unspent funds we are now authorized to spend. This came about through an extension of the Program to June 30, 1982.

I would like to add the following people to the 1981 recipient list:

Category A

Annabeth Ness

Category C

Dale Doxtator Irvin Metoxen

Mark moved to approve this modification to HIP Frank seconded motion carried. Tony moved to TABLE The HIP discussion Howard seconded. Mark & Gordon opposed motion carried Loretta will make sure John Spangberg is at our next meeting on HIP.

## RNIP- HARRIET REITER

Harriet explained the operation of RNIP, when the program started and how. In 1973 the Legislature passed two laws which dramatically changed the RNIP Program which had previously been administered by General Relief Agencies according to general relief standards. Major changes include:

- 100% state funding of benefits and administrative costs

- Appointment of Tribes to administer the program

- Eligibility rules established after consultation with Tribes

- Grants equal to AFDC payments

- Medical benefits equal to Medical Assistance

- Fair hearings for recipients with grievances

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The program has operated according to the 1973 revisions largely unchanged since then with the exception of the addition of the Work experience program in 1978. In the past few years the RNIP Program has become the subject of much discussion and some criticism. It has been suggested that the primary objective of the RNIP Program should be to furnish short-term aid for persons in need. It has become a long term aid program with little incentive for the recipient (85% of whom are single) to become self-sufficient. Since 1973 we have also experienced sharp increases in program costs for both money benefits and medical benefits. The operation was handled at the time Mark asked Harriet where the funds come from, the state or federal government? Harriet said she didn't know but she would find out. Harriet said she has gone over the recommendation coming from the state and she now would like to get input from the B.C. The B.C. went over the recommendation with Harriet. Tony Benson will work with Harriet to put together a draft of our recommendation and bring these back on June 17 for Review

Mark made a motion to recess at 12:10. Howard seconded. Motion carried

Meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

Present: Anna John, Amelia Cornelius, George Semardich, Joe Villagomez

Loretta Webster, Allen King

Excused: Howard Cannon

### HIRING POLICY AT THE NURSING HOME

There seems to be a misunderstanding of the hiring policy and George explained his understanding of the policy. After discussing the policy it was agreed Loretta would get with Joe Villagomez and george and work out this personal situation.

### REPAIRS ON THE NURSING HOME

George and Mark explained that they are working on the repairs problem. Mark stated they have worked out a plan of action on a costs system and a way for pay back and these recommendation will be ready soon. Anna said she is very concerned about these repairs being done before the weather gets cold. Anna had a question on the hiring Policy of the Nursing Home administrator. Tony will follow this up and get the answer.

#### CIGARETTE TAX PETITION

Great Lakes Intertribal Councel is proposing a petition signed by all customers that come to buy cigarettes, By getting non- Indians to sign may give us more support with the state.

Tony moved to Recess at 2:00 Frank seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary