



Onondagas 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 DEMOLUN 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.

SPECIAL MEETING

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JANUARY 13, 1983

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Cha

Present Purcell Powless, Norbert Hill, Kathy Hughes, Gordon McLester, Lois Powless Mark Powless, Tony Benson.

Absent Lloyd Powless, Loretta Metoxen

Finance & Appropriation Recommendation

- (1) The Finance & Appropriation Committee recommended approval of the Senior Citizen's budget #55653 for \$125,079.00. Gordon moved to approve the budget. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting with the Land Committee

Members Present Betty Dennison, Chris Doxtator, Carl Rasmussen, Francis Skenandore, Ron McLester, Ben Vieau, Carl Jorgenson, and Mike Schaepe.

A meeting was set up between the Land Committee and the Business Committee to give an update on the direction that the Land Committee has been working on this past year and the priorities they (Land Committee) will be developing for the next year.

- (1) Step I Study - Mike Schaepe stated that the next meeting is on January 27, at 7:30 P.M. at the Oneida Town Hall. At the last meeting in December many people complained about the cost of the sewer system and whether or not it was just the Tribe that needed the sewer system. Mike is trying to have more people there that might be able to answer many of their questions.

Land Acquisition - The following is a list of the lands that the Oneida Tribe has purchased in 1982:

Ambrosius Land	42.31 acres	\$110,000.00
Oneida One Stop	.75 acres	95,100.00
"29-U" Site	6.71 acres	60,000.00
Jeff Jordan Property	5.5 acres	27,100.00
Wendell McLester Property	3.27 acres	16,111.00
Frank Cottrell	1.25 acres	5,577.44
Meachem Property	20.319 acres	160,000.00
Thornton Property	2.99 acres	19,100.00
Begotka Property	1.00 acres	Land Trade
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	Approximately 84 Acres	492,988.44

There had been some lands that were purchased that the Land Committee had not been involved in. The General Tribal Council gave direction in the future that the Land Committee be involved in all land purchases. Kathy recommended the development of a sign-off form for all purchases of land.

- (3) Policy on Bidding on Land that is for Sale - Kathy and Chris have been given direction to develop a policy and they have not completed it at this time.

Trust Acquisition of Tribal Lands - The Towns of Oneida and Hobart are opposed to the Tribe putting any land in trust. The biggest reason being that the land is removed from the tax rolls. The BIA is requesting the following information:

- A. The annual amount of property taxes currently levied on the property.
- B. The impact on political sub-division resulting from removal of the land from the tax rolls.
- C. Any special assessment, and amounts thereof, which are currently assessed against the property.
- D. Any governmental services which are currently provided to the property by your jurisdiction.
- E. If subject to zoning, how the property is currently zoned and potential conflicts of land use, if any, which may arise.

Francis Skenandore has been trying to have the BIA spellout just exactly what information they want so that the Tribal lands can be put in trust. The BIA has not given any new information at this point.

Title Search - This project was started in 1976; A \$10,000 budget was developed to commence a tribal record keeping system which would identify all parcels on the Oneida Indian Reservation (defined by 1838 Treaty) recorded ownership on County records and potential claims for lands illegally conveyed out of Oneida hands. The \$10,000 lasted for several months after a system was developed to train people in establishing

claims of title (as in title abstracts and maintaining an orderly system of record keeping.

In addition to seeking out potential land claims, the project was also seen as a basis for establishing a tract index of all lands on the Oneida Reservation for purposes of Tribal governmental planning, regulation and taxation.

The project has been under staffed and under financial strain from the beginning. Chris is preparing a new budget and will send it to the Finance & Appropriations Committee.

- (6) Benson Property (use) - The Land Committee and Housing Authority will be working on the use of the Benson land and the Meachem land which is south of the Benson land. The Meachem property was purchased to bring water & sewer to the Benson Site. The Housing Authority is planning to build new houses on the Benson property but there has been no decision on the Meachem property as of this time. The Land Committee and Housing Authority will develop recommendations for the Meachem property.

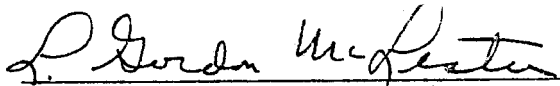
Farm Plan - At this point there is no over-all plan ready

Margaret Summers Land - Bruce King, Economic Developer is presently doing a study on the future use of this land.

Land Behind J & M Machine Shop - The land is to be left for Wildlife. A nature trail has been worked on by CETA workers the past two years and the Land Committee recommends that if CETA has any workers out there this year that they clean the trail up because trees were left laying in the path.

8:30 P.M. Recess. Norbert moved to recess. Kathy seconded Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


L. Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary