



Onondas 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



UGWA BENOLUN 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.

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## SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1983

Meeting called to order at 9:00 by the Chairman.

Present: Purcell Powless, Kathy Hughes, Gordon McLester, Lloyd Powless, Loretta Metoxen, Tony Benson, Mark Powless, Lois Powless.

Others: Jerry Hill, Francis Skenandore, Dale Wheelock

### ONEIDA CHILD PROTECTIVE BOARD APPOINTMENTS - Tony Benson RESOLUTION # 7-11-83-A

The terms of Beverly Metoxen, Cleo Cornelius, and Sandra Hill expired on June 25, 1983. All three of these members have expressed a desire to serve another term. They feel that they can serve on the Oneida Child Protective Board with a better understanding than our one year term has provided them. It is their feeling that board members have many issues to deal with and a one year term is a period of learning.

Gordon made a motion to approve the Resolution #7-11-83-A which states, " that the Oneida Tribe has assumed the responsibility to implement the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, and, Whereas, the act requires that the Tribe vest authority over child custody proceedings in a Tribal court or any other administrative body, and Whereas, the Oneida Tribe is without a Tribal court, Therefore be it Resolved: that the Oneida Child Protective Board be the administrative body vested with authority over child custody proceedings, and, Be It Further Resolved: that the following three (3) Tribal members be appointed to the Child Protective Board for a period of one year, commencing on the date this resolution is approved:

Beverly Metoxen  
Cleo Cornelius  
Sandra Hill

Lois seconded. Motion carried

### HIP - John Spangberg

John Spangberg stated that there is \$15,000.00 left to use in 1983 budget. He has been told by the BIA to apply for \$64,700.00 for 1984. John submitted a list

applicants that starts with June of 1982 to present. Category A - Sub-standard homes which cannot be brought up to standard (\$2,500 limit) There are fifteen (15) names on this list. Category B - Sub-standard homes that can be brought up to an acceptable standard. BIA limits are \$20,000.00 per home. Category B homes can currently be served only one time. There are thirteen (13) people on this list. Category C - These are requests for down payment assistance. BIA will allow up to \$5,000.00. There are four (4) names on this list. There are ten names that have been received, but have not yet been placed in category A or B.

Mark made a motion to put one third of the money left in 1983 budget in each category. Loretta seconded. Four (4) voted yes, (Mark, Loretta, Tony, Gordon) three opposed (Kathy, Lloyd, Lois). Motion carried.

Names are needed for 1984 HIP budget. John will bring the list up-to-date and bring this back on Wednesday, July 13.

Caroline Baird had an addition put on for a bathroom, but no plumbing was put in. Lloyd made a motion to approve for additional funds for bathroom plumbing and that John Spangberg get in writing approval from the BIA for the additional funds because it went above the amount in Category A. Kathy seconded. Tony, Mark opposed. Loretta abstained. Motion carried.

#### AIR COMPRESSOR

The air compressor was tabled to see if we would be able to get one from GSA. Kathy made a motion to take this off the table. Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Kathy made a motion to deny the request for an air compressor until a need can be shown for one. Loretta seconded. Motion carried.

#### LAW OFFICE UPDATE - Francis Skenandore/Jerry Hill

-New York Land Claims - Francis sent the notice of appearance for the Oneida of the Thames Band by Tim Coulter and the motion to intervene. Each party is given time to respond to the other. The judge will review all the opinions and that should take until the first part of August.

-OTDC - OTDC made an offer for settlement. This was unacceptable. Lois made a motion to direct Francis to make a counter offer of \$13,000.00. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

#### NEW HOUSING UNITS PROPOSAL

The Housing Authority received the following letter: We have received your application for 40 new housing units for fy'83. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept it under the guidelines of the 1983 Allocation Plan which was mailed to all Indian Housing Authorities and Tribes in our Service Area.

Included in the list of documents that were to be included with an application was certification that the land for the proposed housing was in Trust. We are

aware of the land related problems that Oneida is having but we must stand by our requirement for Trust Land. Any future purchase of fee simple land to build HUD-Assisted Houses should be coordinated with OIP's Environmental Clearance Office and Engineering Staff. Then we can determine whether the proposed sites are acceptable to construct homes in accordance with Indian Housing Regulations. In the case where the IHA seeks to revise the boundaries of a site, this office should review and approve the revision.

We have received notification that we will receive a very limited number of units this year, therefore in an effort to be fair to all housing authorities that applied, we must follow the Allocation Plan.

Respectfully we are returning your application and urge you to reapply next year

-Leon Jacobs, Director  
Office of Indian Programs

Discussion followed to decide on what could be done concerning the present situation at the Benson Site about housing and the new application of 40 new units. Tony made a motion to authorize the Law Office to proceed to investigate the possibility of a suit because of the delays of the Land Trust Status and also with Green Bay's being uncooperative. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION FOR ONEIDA ONE STOP - Dale Wheelock

The Personnel Office has received a vacation pay exception request via phone conversation with Sherman Thomas on July 7, 1983. Whereas, one of the employees, Emroy Reed became ill on July 5, and will be hospitalized until the end of July with the possibility of a longer stay. Presently there are three (3) employees who handle the closing out and cashier function of Oneida One Stop. With Emroy Reed's unavailability due to medical reasons and Donald Denny's scheduled vacation starting July 15-26, 1983, One Stop would theoretically have but one employee for that time period. Donald Denny has volunteered to work the time of his scheduled vacation but would request being paid for using his vacation time in addition to his work pay.

The Personnel Office upon reviewing the request has found no provision in the Oneida Tribal Management System for working and receiving vacation pay for the same pay period, but there exists an unwritten policy in central accounting whereas vacation pay is disbursed for vacation period when a person is not working and upon termination from employment.

The most feasible course of action at Oneida One Stop would be for Donald Denny to reschedule his vacation time later in the calendar year. But morale of our employees is also an issue, if the individual is willing to sacrifice his vacation time to insure Enterprise operation the Personnel Office would support the action necessary for that individual to receive both vacation pay and regularly scheduled work pay and maintain professional operation of Oneida One Stop.

Mark made a motion to approve the recommendation that Donald Denny be allowed to receive both vacation pay and regularly scheduled work pay. Tony seconded. Five opposed (Lois, Kathy, Loretta, Gordon, Lloyd), Two in favor (Mark, Tony). Motion failed.

Loretta made a motion to have this matter referred to the Tribal Administrator for his solution. Kathy seconded. two voted yes (Loretta, Lloyd), four abstained (Tony, Lois, Kathy, Mark), one opposed (Gordon). Motion carried.

HEALTH CENTER PHYSICIAN

The new Health Center physician started employment with the Oneida tribe and was introduced to the Business Committee (Dr. Craig).

BURIAL INSURANCE - Loretta Metoxen

Loretta distributed material from an Insurance Company quote of September 24, 1980. Mark made a motion to approve Loretta's recommendation that the Business Committee take action to further investigate the feasibility of a burial program for tribal members and that documentation be prepared to be considered no later than thirty (30) days from today. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

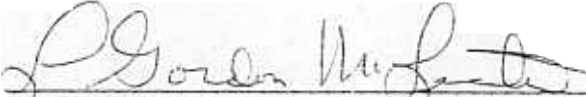
VACATION REQUESTS- Gordon McLester/Mark Powless (Personal Day)

Gordon requested vacation for two (2) days on July 14, and 15, 1983. Kathy made a motion to approve the request. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

Mark requested a Personal Day on July 14, 1983. Tony made a motion to approve the request. Loretta seconded. Motion carried.

11:00 A.M. Mark made a motion to recess. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
L. Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary