

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



Oneida, WI 54155



UGWA DEHOLUH YATEHE

Bocause of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the Calany of Pennsylvania, a new nation, the United Status was made possible.

Approved As Read 3-19-84 Reg. Mtg.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1984

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

Present: Purcell Powless, Richard Hill, Kathy Hughes, Gordon McLester, Lois

Powless, Tony Benson, Mark Powless, Lloyd Powless.

Excused: Loretta Metoxen

Others: Francis Skenandore, Jerry Hill Sharon Cornelius

220-LAW OFFICE UPDATE ON NEW YORK LAND CLAIMS

Phone: 869-2771

- 1) New York Land Claims: Francis explained that oral arguments of the appeal by Tim Coulter will be held at the Second Circuit Court of appeals in New York City on February 22, 1984. Francis and Sharon will be attending these hearings. Mark made a motion to approve Rick, Lois, Gordon and any other Business Committee member interested in attending the hearings on February 22, 1984.
- 2) Oneida One Stop: (\$7,000.00 inventory shortage) The Business Committee had referred this matter to the Law Office for their review and to bring back a recommendation as to what legal action should be taken. The Law Office recommended that the FBI be requested to come in and investigate this matter. Mark made a motion to approve the recommendation. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.
- 3) Consultant John Powless requested an advance on the paycheck he has forthcoming as he has to leave this weekend for Utah to prepare for the BAR exam. Rick made a motion to approve the request. Lloyd seconded. Lois abstained. Mark did not vote. Kathy opposed. Motion carried.

165-HIP - Jerry Kurowski

1. Willis Melchert/Rebuild Roof over mobile home - Mark moved to approve bid for \$2,500. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

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Hip Recommendations (Continued)

- 2. Rebecca Ninham/Repair Interior and exterior of home Lois moved to approve bid for \$4,587.51. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. Prudence Doxtator/Bathroom, Kitchen, Roof, Basement Repair Lois moved to approve bid for \$1,401.77. Mark seconded. Rick abstained. Motion carried.
- 4. Agnes Powless/Repair Bathroom, windows, doors, etc. Mark moved to approve bid for \$4,060.00. Rick seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion on off Reservation HIP Applications: Jerry Kurowski has been receiving inquiries from Tribal members concerning the possibility of wells & septics on private land. Mark made a motion that HIP funds and Well and Septic be only for tribal lands. Kathy seconded. Rick abstained. Motion carried.

150/220-UTILITY COMMISSION - John Spangberg/Jerry Hill

John asked the Business Committee to review the following:

- 1) Utility Commission which includes the rules for the Commission and Resolution.
- 2) Request to change the age limit for Elderly rates for the Utility from 62 years to 60 years to get into step with age requirements for consideration. As an elder with those requirements of the Commission on Aging Retroactive to January 1st.
- 3) Request for those individuals who are the head of the household who have a proven total disability to receive the same utility rate as Tribal elders.

The Business Committee reviewed the three (3) list above items. The draft on the Utility Commission was deferred until February 24, 1984 for further discussion.

Lois made a motion to approve items (2) and (3). Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

020-COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION (ANA) - Carl Rasmussen

In order to participate in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program it is necessary that the Tribe submit a resolution certifying it has complied with a written citizens participation plan and held at least one public hearing prior to submission of the application.

A notice of the hearing was printed in the Friday, January 20, 1984 edition of the Kalihwi-saks. The hearing was held and recorded on Thursday, January 26, 1984.

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Community Development Block Grant Application (Continued)

Mark made a motion to approve Resolution #2-17-84-A. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON THE COMPLETION DATA AT THE BINGO BUILDING - Dave Vandewater/Immel Construction, Foreman/Carl Rasmussen

There was discussion on expanding the work shifts to move the completion date sooner by approximately three (3) weeks. Dave Vandewater will work up what the additional cost figure will be and give them to Carl Rasmussen for the Business Committee's review this afternoon.

110-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Charles Leonard/Bruce King

Bruce presented a report on the activities he has been working on. The first area is the presentation by Charles Leonard regarding his meeting with various officials concerning their views on the Oneida Indian Tribe. The points of discussion were on the construction of the proposed hotel project, the Benson Housing Site, and the overall image of the Oneida's in Brown County. What Charles Leonard is proposing is a series of face to face meetings with Business Committee officials and 2 or 3 at the most with the Village and County officials to develop open and candid discussions of mutual concerns by either side. The Business Committee agreed with the outline Charles Leonard presented. Bruce King will work with Charles to set up the necessary meetings.

Bruce presented the Oneida Hotel Corporation Charter and Bylaws. The Business Committee will review the materials and meet on February 20, 1984 at 8:00 A.M. for any action so that Bruce can take the Charter & Bylaws to his meeting in Milwaukee with Grootemat Corporation for their review.

12:00 Kathy moved to recess until 3:00 P.M. Gordon seconded. Motion carried

3:00 P.M. The Business Committee meeting reconvened.

150-RESOLUTION ON COMMUNITY INJURY CONTROL - Tony Benson

Tony presented Resolution #2-17-84-B which states that the Oneida Business Committee supports the establishment of a Community Injury Control demonstration project on the Oneida Indian Reservation. Mark moved to adopt the Resolution #2-17-84-B. Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AT SACRED HEART CENTER - Kathy Hughes

Sr. Toni sent a calendar of scheduled activities into October. She would like direction from the Business Committee if there should be any changes in honoring these commitments? The Business Committee discussed the possible use of the Seminary and agreed that Sr. Toni continue with the schedule except for

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Scheduling of Events for SHC (Continued)

overnight accommodations in the dorm area after June 30, 1984. The Tribal Secretary will send a memo to Sr. Toni to give her an answer on the scheduling.

060-TRAVEL REQUEST - Tony Benson

IHS is hearing testimony in Washington, D.C. on February 21, 22, 1984 and it is felt that the Tribe should have a representative there. The hearings are being held on both the House & Senate sides. Kathy moved to approve Tony Benson to attend the IHS hearings, and present the written testimony at the hearing on behalf of the Tribe. Lois seconded. Motion carried.

060-DANCE SPONSORED BY MISS ONEIDA COMMITTEE

The Study Hall at the Sacred Heart Center was rented for the Dance on February 10, 1984 at a cost of \$53.00. The Miss Oneida Committee is asking the Tribe to pay the \$53.00 cost for rent. Mark moved to approve the payment. Lois seconded. Motion carried.

060-TRAVEL REQUEST - Bob Smith/Amos Christjohn

Request authorization to attend an all-Indian Iroquois meeting on February 22, 23, 1984 at Tyandonaga, Canada. This is a meeting to exchange concerns and problems that are happening to all Iroquois people. Rick moved to approve the request. Mark seconded. Motion carried.

060-VACATION REQUEST - Rick Hill

Rick requested vacation day on February 20, 1984. Lois moved to approve. Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

LETTER TO THE OSHKOSH EDITOR OF THE TITAN (SUFFERIN' SUCCOTASH)

The Oneida Tribe received an article written by managing Editor, Mike Grennier. The article shows a complete disregard and lack of respect for the Indian people. Tony and Lloyd each have written a response to the Chancellor concerning the article. Rick moved to approve sending Tony and Lloyd's letter to the Chancellor of UW-Oshkosh. Loretta seconded. Rick, Loretta, Lois, voted yes. Kathy, Gordon, Mark voted against. Tony abstained. Chairman voted yes. Motion carried.

220-SUPPORT OF CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES

Mark moved to approve the donation of \$1,000.00 to the Rainbow Coalition for the campaigning against Senator Klecska. Lloyd seconded. Kathy and Gordon opposed. Motion carried.

4:15 P.M. Lois moved to recess. Rick seconded. Motion carried.

L. Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary