



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

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*Approved As  
Read 6-28-85*



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

FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 1985

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

Present: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Richard Hill-Vice Chairman, Kathy Hughes-Treasurer, L. Gordon McLester-Secretary, Lloyd Powless, Lois Powless, Mark Powless, Tony Benson-Council Members.

Excused: Dave King (Vacation)

Others: Dale Wheelock, Don Wilson, Chris Doxtator, John Konopacki, Judy Cornelius, Ken Sedila

## ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Travel Request - Lloyd E. Powless

Memo Re: Business Committee Travel - Kathy Hughes

Lois made a motion to approve the agenda with additions. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

## DISCUSSION W/JOHN KONOPACKI, DIRECTOR OF ASHWAUBENON SAFETY & FIRE DEPARTMENT

John explained how their department works. They have (27) full-time officers. Each officer is qualified to act as policemen, firemen and paramedics. Five (5) men work per shift and each shift last (24) hours and then they are off for (48) hours. There is also a volunteer force.

The major differences of their department from the others is that fact that their people are cross-trained in the three areas. This makes a big difference in the budget. Ashwaubenon is a little more than half of De Pere's. The local residents get along better with the people in the department because of the dual roles the officers work. John stated that Ashwaubenon would be interested in assisting with the development of a program if the Tribe were interested. Don Wilson and Gordon McLester will follow-up on this program for more ideas.

200-LAND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS OF JUNE 10, 1985 - Chris Doxtator

Purchase of James Van Schyndel property: Kathy moved to approve the purchase of this property for \$28,900.00. Lloyd seconded. Mark opposed. Motion carried.

This item was deferred until the Business Committee received clarification on the status regarding the well. Chris Doxtator received an affidavit that confirms that the well and septic system on the sellers property services sellers residence independently of any other neighboring residence.

- (1) Recommendation of Land Committee to approve beneficiary request by Emroy and Luella Cornelius to have their son Robert DeCorah as their beneficiary. Tony moved to approve the recommendation. Rick seconded. Motion carried.
- (2) Request from David Danforth to be allowed to collect the dead and down wood at Site II for a sweat lodge. Rick moved to approve. Lois seconded. Motion carried. The Oneida Housing Authority is to be notified of this action also.

Recommendation of Land Committee to continued collecting rent on the Tobacco outlet on Freedom Road until this property goes into trust status. Lois moved to approve. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Recommendation of Land Committee to purchase Rose Skenandore property for \$22,500. Kathy moved to refer this recommendation back to the Land Committee to be sure this has gone through the proper procedures. Lloyd seconded. Rick opposed. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

Loretta Metoxen had been leasing land (9 acres) from the Tribe last year, however, due to wet weather she was unable to do anything with this land. She is now receiving letters from the Law Office that she owes the Tribe \$43.00.

Recommendation of Land Committee exempting Loretta Metoxen of the \$43.00 due to the precedence set when Lois Powless was exempted for a similar situation a few years back. Kathy moved to approve. Lois seconded. Tony and Lloyd opposed. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

Lois moved to have the leases reviewed by the Land Committee to insert some type of language in the rental lease agreements which covers exemptions as referred to in the Item #5. Rick seconded. Motion carried.

- (6) Recommendation of Land Committee to have a fence put up on the Peterson Farm house and the that the monies come from the Land Office budget not to exceed \$200. The reasoning being this dealt with the fact that this property has two (2) renters and the fence would serve as a permanent improvement. Gordon moved to approve. Kathy seconded. Mark and Lois opposed. Motion carried.
- (7) Land Office Report: Gordon made a motion to approve Land Office report. Rick seconded. Mark opposed. Motion carried.

310-PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS - Dale Wheelock

HIRING: (Information)

Counseling Assistant (Temporary Summer Only): Grade 4/0 \$4.26/hr 11 weeks  
1. Christina Danforth

Area Coordinator (Summer Session-Temporary): Grade 13 \$6.58/hr 4½ weeks  
1. Patricia A. Brzezinski

(8) Teachers (Summer Session-Temporary) Grade 12/6.27/hr.  
1. Peter Wagner (Two Teachers for Back-up)  
2. Sandra Orie 1. Norma Powless  
3. Judith Brehm 2. Dorothy Demeny  
4. Candith Morzenti  
5. Susan McFadzen  
6. Yvette M. Pequero  
7. Nancy Cook  
8. Kenneth B. Metoxen

Ambulatory Clinic Staff Nurse: Grade 16 Negotiable 7.62/10.33/hr.  
1. Connie Vandenberg

Community Health Staff Nurse: Grade 17, \$16,680-\$22,606 (Negotiable)  
1. Deborah J. Lidbury

Self-funded Insurance Report and Medical Renewal

Dale explained that with our self-funded insurance as of June 1, 1985, the Tribe has built a reserve in the medical area of \$168,919.72 and collected \$6,594.21 in interest. The dental area is at a deficit of \$14,541.36 as of April 1985. There were a number of factors for the deficit mainly in the rates and billing. Steps have been taken to correct these deficiencies. Dale recommended renewal of the contract with Claim Management Services, Inc.

RENEWAL EFFECTIVE 7/1/85 At The Following Rates

LIFE & DISABILITY

<u>In Force Rates</u>		<u>Renewal Rates</u>
\$.30/\$1,000	Life	\$.30/\$1,000
\$.05/\$1,000	AD&D	\$.05/\$1,000
\$1.27/\$10	STD	\$1.08/\$10

MEDICAL LOSS FUND DEPOSITS

\$76.82	Single	\$85.40
\$199.74	Family	\$213.48

MEDICAL RE-INSURANCE PREMIUM

\$8.67	Single	\$10.39
\$21.18	Family	\$26.14

CLAIM FEE

\$6.00	Per Employee	\$7.00
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Consulting Fee

\$2,500		\$2,500
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Pre-Admission Authorization

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Kathy moved to approve the above renewal contract with Claims Management, Inc. Gordon seconded. Tony opposed. Lois and Rick abstained. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

Mark requested authorization to travel to Washington, D.C. to attend the Bingo hearings on June 25, - 26, 1985.

Lloyd requested travel to attend Allied sub-committee meeting in Oshkosh on June 17, 1985.

Lois requested travel to attend the National American Indian Housing Convention on June 23 through 27, 1985 in Nashville, TN.

Gordon moved to approve the requests. Lloyd seconded. Kathy opposed. Motion carried.

Kathy stated as of June 10, 1985, the Business Committee has a balance of \$4,868.52 in the travel line item. There is approximately \$6,000 left in local mileage. Kathy is suggesting that the \$6,000 for local mileage be transferred to the travel line item. Lois moved to approve the recommendation effective June 1, 1985. Lloyd seconded. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

VACATION REQUESTS

Lois requested one (1) vacation day on June 28, 1985.

Gordon requested vacation on July 15, through July 19, 1985. Mark moved to approve the vacation requests. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

HEALTH BOARD MINUTES OF MAY 13 & 28, 1985 - Tony Benson

Lois moved to approve the minutes of May 13, 1985. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

Lloyd moved to post for the health board vacancy. Lois seconded. Motion carried.

Rick moved to approve the May 28, 1985 health board minutes. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR REVEREND RIGGS #6-14-85-A

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a Treaty Tribe recognized by the laws of the United States, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council has delegated its governing powers responsibilities to the Oneida Business Committee, subject to its review, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe and the Oneida Methodist Church have worked together providing services to the community for numerous years and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Eldon Riggs has been Pastor of the Oneida Methodist Church and has provided services to the Oneida Community,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the following presentation is the essence of community feelings:

Presentation

During the seventeen (17) years you have been here, you have gained the confidence of the Oneida Community as a leader and a friend. We would like to express our gratitude for the many deeds you have performed for our community and with this we present this plaque to you, Reverend Eldon Riggs for your many years of service to the community.

Kathy moved to approve the adoption of the Resolution and plaque. Gordon seconded. Rick abstained. Motion carried. Mark moved to request that Kathy present the Resolution and plaque on behalf of the Oneida Tribe on June 22, 1985. Gordon seconded. Rick opposed. Motion carried.

WINNEBAGO BUSINESS COMMITTEE SPONSORS EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING PROGRAM

On June 18 -20, 1985, the Winnebago BC will be sponsoring a employment training program. After reviewing the agenda, Lois moved to not send anyone as we have already received this training. Kathy seconded. Lloyd abstained. Motion carried.

TABLED LANGUAGE IMERSION PROGRAM

Rick moved to take this item from the table. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Don Wilson explained that the request for a tribal contribution was no longer needed; funds were located from a different area.

STATEMENT OF THE ONEIDA TRIBE ON BINGO GAMING - Mark Powless

Mark presented the position of the Oneida Tribe on Bill HR. 192 and Bill HR 2404.

Mark will testify before the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee of the U.S House of Representatives. Following is the testimony and statement:

The Oneida Tribe has actively participated in the National Indian Gaming Task Force over the past two years and endorses its findings and recommendations regarding gaming in Indian Country. However, the focus of the Oneida Tribe goes further in urging that more Indian tribal governments assert full tribal control over gaming on their reservations. This becomes a critical factor in view of the fact that Indian tribal governments, like all other governments in the United States, are considering, or are already using, some form of gaming to generate badly needed governmental revenues. Control and regulation of these gaming activities is much a concern of Indian tribal governments as any other government. The unique status of Indian governments suggests that any resolution of the issues be based upon the basic tenant of Federal Indian Law;

- 1) Tribal governments are recognized by federal law and treaties which define their status in American law,
- 2) The United States has trust and fiduciary responsibilities to protect the land, property and governmental rights, and
- 3) States may not, in the absence of specific Congressional legislation encroach nor infringe upon the legitimate governmental rights of Indian governments.

For the reasons and facts set forth above, it is the position of the Oneida Tribe that any federal legislation that would regulate gaming in Indian Country should:


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- 1 Protect tribal governments from unscrupulous outside professional gaming interest, and
- 2) Assist the Tribes in developing and managing gaming enterprises by providing technical assistance and financial development support.

Rick moved to approve the statement on Bingo Gaming to be presented to the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

11:00 Gordon moved to recess. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
L. Gordon McLester, Tribal  
Oneida Business Committee

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