



Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently

# Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE  
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

*Approved As  
Read 6-6-86*

## SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 1987

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Richard Hill-Vice Chairman, L. Gordon McLester-Secretary, Lloyd Powless, Lois Powless, Mark Powless, Tony Benson, David King-Council Members

Excused: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Kathy Hughes-Treasurer,

Others: Charles Leonard, Barbara Schuman

### AGENDA

Dave moved to adopt the agenda. Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

### RELINQUISHMENT FOR ANDREA JOHN - Tony Benson

Andrea John requested relinquishment of membership from the Oneida Tribe.

Dave moved to approve the request, Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

### TRUST COMMITTEE REQUEST - Tony Benson

The Trust Committee recommends the following letter be sent to the BIA:

The Oneida Tribe has determined to assert the Tribe's interest in the above. In the past, you and your agency have been informed of the Oneida Tribe's position regarding these unpaid shares. It appears, from correspondence to the Oneida Enrollment Officers, that payments are being made in disregard of the Trust Agreement and directions of the Oneida Trust and Business Committees. Attached you will find copies of duly passed resolutions of the Oneida Business Committee that address this matter.

Under the circumstances, the Oneida Tribe hereby demands:

1. That the Bureau of Indian Affairs cease and desist from making any further payments from the Docket 75 Judgment Fund except to properly identified beneficiaries, and

TRUST COMMITTEE REQUEST (Continued)

2. that you provide to the Oneida Tribe, the documented legal authority for the disbursements made to anyone other than direct beneficiaries, and
3. that you provide to the Oneida Tribe, a list of all payments made of the 1975 distribution to persons other than direct beneficiaries, and
4. that you provide documentation of all deceased beneficiaries for the per capita distribution year of 1975.

The Oneida Tribe has honored its responsibilities of the Docket 75 Trust Distribution Plan and Trust Agreement, but it appears that the Bureau of Indian Affairs has not.

Please respond, or submit this to your superiors for response, as this is of the utmost importance to the Oneida Tribe. Thank you.

Lloyd moved to send the letter with the Tribal Chairman's signature. seconded. Motion carried.

VACATION REQUEST - Purcell Powless

Purcell is requesting approval for vacation the week of May 27 - 30,

Tony moved to approve, Lois seconded. Motion carried.

CONTRACT WITH NEWIST TO VIDEO TAPE THE HISTORY CONFERENCE - Charles Leonard

NEWIST will arrange for the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Center for Television Production to provide on-location professional services and technical equipment necessary to record the proceedings of the conference on 3/4-inch videotape cassettes. They understand that the conference will be in session at the Oneida Rodeway Inn for approximately ten hours on Thursday, July 24; approximately seven hours on Friday, July 25; and approximately four hours on Saturday, July 26.

No later than August 2, 1986, NEWIST anticipates delivering to the Oneida Tribe all of the original recordings. Copies of these master cassettes will be retained in the CTP videotape library.

The Oneida Tribe agrees to pay NEWIST \$2600 for the services and materials described above upon delivery of the conference recordings. In recognition of the fact that this charge defrays only a portion of the expense incurred through implementation of this project, the Oneida Tribe further agrees that duplicate recordings of the conference proceedings may be excerpted for inclusion in public television and non-commercial audiovisual programs to be developed in the future. The recordings may be used in whole or in part to support the instructional program of the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay and the appropriate curriculum offerings of NEWIST member agencies.

CONTRACT WITH NEWIST (Continued)

To provide these non-exclusive rights, the Oneida Tribe guarantees to obtain from all participants in the conference such signed release agreements as will assure NEWIST and CTP of the permissions described above. In the event that any conference participant is unable or unwilling to agree to video recording of his/her presentation, the Oneida Tribe will so notify NEWIST; however, any such deletion from the program as recorded will not affect the total charge for services and materials set forth in this agreement.

Dave moved to approve the contract, Lloyd seconded. Lois opposed. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

Lois opposed because she is not in agreement to allow NEWIST to use duplicate recordings in public television and non-commercial audiovisual programs as per the contract.

RELEASE AGREEMENTS FROM THE PRESENTERS AT THE CONFERENCE

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to release and hold harmless the Oneida Tribe, NEWIST and CTP, for the use of audio visual (videotape) recordings of my academic historical presentation of the Oneida Indians held at the Oneida Rodeway Inn on July 24, 25 and 26, 1986.

It is understood that uses referred to above include only public television and non-commercial audio visual programs, and instructional programs at U.W.G.B. and appropriate curriculum offerings of NEWIST member agencies.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1986 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Gordon moved to approve the release form, Lloyd seconded. Lois opposed. Mark abstained. Motion carried.

HOTEL TRIBAL DEDICATION CEREMONY - Charles Leonard

Welcome - Lloyd Powless  
Introduction of Oneida Singers - Lloyd Powless  
Music (two songs) - Oneida Singers  
Introduction of Prayer - Lloyd Powless  
    Oneida Version -  
    English Version -  
Introduction of Federal & State Government Visitors - Lloyd Powless  
Introduction of other Dignataries (Rodeway, Etc.) - Lloyd Powless  
Introduction of Oneida Business Committee Members - Lloyd Powless  
Introduction of Chairman Purcell Powless - Lloyd Powless  
Remarks - Purcell Powless  
Introduction of Bruce King - Lloyd Powless  
History of the hotel project - Bruce King

DEDICATION CEREMONY (Continued)

Story of the Upright Stone - Lloyd Powless  
Unveiling of the Stone -  
Thanks for Coming - Lloyd Powless

The V.I.P. ceremony would be the same format and participants EXCEPT that the unveiling of the stone would not occur. Instead, Percy and Rodeway Inns Chairman of the Board John Wilson would cut a ceremonial ribbon. Commemorative sissors will be given to special V.I.P.s (BC members, Hotel Board Members, Bruce, John, Carl.)

DEDICATION OF THE STONE

Lois moved to approve dedicating the Stone with the following inscription:

THE ONEIDA'S  
"THE PEOPLE OF THE STANDING STONE"

The words of the elders tell us that a large stone was always near the main Oneida village. Whenever the Oneida's moved, the stone would reappear near the main village. In time, it became known as the guardian of the Oneida Nation.

This stone, representing that legendary stone is dedicated to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

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Dave seconded. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUEST - Rick Hill and Gordon McLester

Rick is requesting approval to travel to Washington, D.C., on May 29 & 30, 1986 to attend a Land Claims meeting.

Gordon is requesting approval to travel to Washington, D.C. on May 28, 29 & 30, 1986 to attend the Land Claims meeting..

Lois moved to approve both requests, Dave seconded. Motion carried.

DONATION TO THE METZ CAMPAIGN

Deferred until Tuesday, May 27, 1986

80615 PERSONNEL - Barbara Schuman

New Position - Part Time - Community Health Staff Nurse - Grade 17.

Tony moved to approve the new position contingent on a recommendation from the Health Board. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

80815 PERSONNEL (Continued)

Barbara Hill-Hawkins was requested to provide the Business Committee with a complete update on the Health Expansion Fund.

RESOLUTION #5-20-86-A BILL DANFORTH DAY

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin has had a long history of fielding various sport teams to represent the community, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin had fielded various teams to represent the Tribe for the purpose of recreational activities for the participants and a positive symbol of sportsmanship for other surrounding communities to witness, and

WHEREAS, William Danforth (Billy) has been a vital part of the Oneida Baseball Program as a sponsor, coach, fan and player, and

WHEREAS, Recreation is a very important part of the Oneida Community and Bill Danforth has been a very important person of our recreation in Oneida, and

WHEREAS, Bill as a person, developed his potential in the sport of baseball and had a big influence on many players in Oneida, always encouraging them to do their best, and

WHEREAS, Bill was respected and always a positive minded person who dedicated himself to athletics and encouraged our people in athletic participation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida People deem the first day of June, 1986 as "Bill Danforth Day".

Gordon moved to adopt Resolution #5-20-86-A, Dave seconded. Motion carried.

LETTER TO GOVERNOR CUOMO

We are in receipt of your letter dated April 29th, 1986 and appreciate the background you provided on Mr. Rowley.

As representative of the New York Congressional Delegation, we look forward to working with him in that capacity.

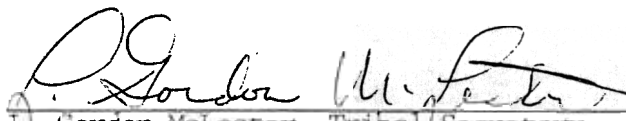
As stated in our earlier letter, we have directed our attorney to contact your representative to begin preliminary work on the arrangement of a meeting that we proposed for the week of September 22, 1986 in Washington.

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LETTER TO GOVERNOR CUOMO (Continued)

Mark moved to approve the letter with the addition that the Oneida Tribe does not view Mr. Rowley as a facilitator for the Oneida Land Claims. Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

2:20 Mark moved to recess, Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

  
L. Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee