

Oneidas 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 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

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SPECIAL MEETING

JANUARY 23, 1987

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

PRESENT: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Richard Hill-Vice Chairman, L. Gordon McLester-Tribal Secretary, Lloyd E. Powless, Jr., Lois Powless, Mark Powless, Tony Benson, David King-Council Members

EXCUSED: Kathy Hughes-Treasurer

OTHERS Carl Rasmussen, Bob Christjohn, Sue Daniels, Jerry Kurowski

AGENDA

David King moved to adopt the agenda. Mark Powless seconded. Motion carried.

BLOCK GRANT/INDIAN CONTRACTING PREFERENCE - Carl Rasmussen/Cathy Porter

Carl Rasmussen pointed out that Oneida is the first Tribe to have its own Indian Preference Guidelines adopted by HUD. The Oneida policies were an alternate to following the HUD mandated guidelines which limited tribal options when issuing contracts. The Planning Office developed the guidelines and were reviewed by the Business Committee prior to bidding of the mobile home.

The Planning Office received a request from Ron Madday of the Bad River Reservation for a copy of Oneida's policy to be used in developing their own policies. Carl Rasmussen requested direction on the release of the document.

Tony Benson moved to approve the request from Bad River, Rick Hill seconded. Motion carried.

PROBLEMS NEEDS AND WANTS SURVEY - Carl Rasmussen

Carl Rasmussen introduced the draft report of the Problems Needs and Wants Survey Volume II. Carl asked the Business Committee to review the survey and comments were requested. Once the Business Committee gives the go ahead, the survey will be released for publication and will be used in the comprehensive planning process.

Mark Powless moved to table this item for two weeks to give the Business Committee time to review the document and provide comments. Dave King seconded. Gordon McLester opposed. Motion carried.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S UPDATE - Dr. Watson

Dr. Watson went over some of the accomplishments at the Health Center this past year:

- Tuberculosis has had the best control levels in recent history. The new cases of T.B. tend to be from outside of the Oneida community. Screening for T.B. continues.
- Patient volume at the Health Center has increased by 18% over the previous year.
- Waiting time to see the physician is an average of 21 minutes and the Health Center is continuing to try to reduce this time.
- Billing procedures have improved.
- The Quality Assurance Program was very positive.

The following are goals the Health Center is working on:

- Better community relations
- Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals accreditation by 12/87 would be first clinic in Green Bay
- Third physician - Evaluate Need & Resources
- Health Promotion Program for the community
- Work for more funding from Indian Health Service to maintain the present levels of care
- Ambulance care on the Reservation
- Develop more training for Health Center Personnel
- Develop more computerization at the Health Center
- Try to negotiate long term contracts for Dr. Watson and Dr. Thomson

OVER THE COUNTER DRUG SALES AT THE OHC PHARMACY - Dick Rosin

Dick Rosin presented the Policy & Procedure to cover Over-The-Counter drug sales:

Policy

Over-The-Counter Drugs will be offered for sale to "Eligible" patients as defined by I.H.S., their spouses, and dependent children living at home, employees of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, their spouses and dependent children living at home, and others as determined by the administration of the Oneida Health Center. The OTC drugs offered for sale will be determined by Health Center providers and pharmacy staff. Special requests will be considered. We will accept cash or checks with proper identification only.

Purpose

To provide eligible patients, employees of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and others as specified above, the opportunity to purchase OTC drugs for a reduced cost at a convenient location.

PHARMACY DRUGS SOLD OVER THE COUNTER (Continued)

Special Instructions

1. Eligible patients, spouses and dependent children living at home can purchase OTC drugs without a prescription.
2. Eligible patients can receive the following classes of OTC drugs at no charge if written on a prescription by an Oneida Community Health Center physician, dentist, or optometrist for a specific medical problem as determined during an appointment with that provider.
 - a. Analgesics - Acetaminophen
Aspirin
 - b. Antacids - Maalox or generic equivalent
 - c. Cough/Cold Preparations - Triaminic Syrup or generic equivalent
- Delsym
 - d. Decongestant-Antihistamine Preparations
- Sudafed or generic equivalent
- Actifed or generic equivalent
- Chlor-trimeton or generic equivalent
 - e. Dental - Orabase w/Benzocaine
- Baby Orajel
 - f. Hemorrhoidal Preparations - Anusol cream, suppositories, or
generic equivalent
 - g. Optical Preparations - Artificial Tears
 - h. Topical Antibiotics, Antiseptic
- Neosporin ointment or generic equivalent
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Betadine Solution or generic equivalent
3. Employees of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, their spouses and dependent children living at home will be allowed to purchase OTC drugs without a prescription only.

David King moved to approve the policies & procedures to sell over the counter drugs. Lloyd Powless seconded. Motion carried.

CONSULTANT CONTRACT FOR ERNIE STEVENS

The contract with Ernie Stevens is to provide services in the area of land policy, planning, organization, regulation and negotiation. After discussion on the contract, Lloyd Powless moved to refer the contract to Finance & Appropriations and that the contract be re-drafted for a length of six months and the contract specify the services to be completed during the six months. Rick Hill seconded. Motion carried.

FINANCE & APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDATIONS OF JANUARY 20, 1987

Cash registers for Bingo. Bingo has requested permission to purchase (4) Sweda electronic registers at a cost of \$6,100. Only \$2,700 was budgeted. Because of the increased controls this would enable Bingo to institute, F&A recommends approval with the additional \$3,400 an approved variance to their budget. Bingo is to look at the rest of their budget to try to cover the shortfall. Mark Powless moved to approve. Gordon McLester seconded. Motion carried.

Kitchen boiler replacement at the Norbert Hill Center. Cost of this replacement is \$3,962.00 if installed by Building & Grounds. Installation costs are estimated at an additional \$800. Item was budgeted at \$3,780. F&A recommends approval with the \$982 over-run an approved variance to the NHC budget. Item is to be scheduled based upon availability of the boiler and cash flow. Rick Hill moved to approve. David King seconded. Lois Powless abstained. Motion carried.

Norbert Hill Center Gym Roof. Building & Grounds has requested permission to spend \$4,500 to authorize Somerville & Associates to do a study of the roof and recommend approaches to repair it. \$25,000 was budgeted for the roof. F&A recommends approval with the funds coming from the amount budgeted for the roof. Gordon McLester moved to approve. Lloyd Powless seconded. David King abstained. Motion carried.

Folding Chairs - Norbert Hill Center has requested permission to purchase 150 steel folding chairs at a cost of \$1,236. This item was not budgeted. Based upon limited usage and other options to borrow chairs during special events, F&A recommends disapproval. Lois Powless moved to concur with F&A on their disapproval. Rick Hill seconded. Motion carried.

- (5) Office Addition at Building & Grounds - B & G is seeking approval to build a 40 x 40 addition on their building to accommodate their office staff at a cost of \$17,544. This item was unbudgeted. After discussion, it was decided that Bob Niemela, Butch Rentmeester and Tony Benson would meet to discuss alternatives and bring back a recommendation to the next F&A meeting. This is our recommended action. No action taken.
- (6) The Museum wants to make an expenditure of \$1,500 to become a member of Circle Wisconsin. This is unbudgeted. Because bus visitors pay a \$2.00 entry fee and usually purchase items at the museum gift shop, F&A recommends approval with the funds coming from the Program Contingency. An evaluation after one year is recommended. Rick Hill moved to approve. Lloyd Powless seconded. Mark Powless abstained. Lois Powless opposed. Motion carried.

FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS (Continued)

The Museum is requesting permission to enter into a contract with Orde Advertising for a shared billboard with the Neville Museum on I-43 south of Green Bay. The cost is \$125/month and is a three year commitment. This is an unbudgeted item. Because of the high visibility for the Oneida Museum/Tribe, F&A recommends approval with the funds coming from the advertising budget. Rick Hill moved to approve. Lloyd Powless seconded. Three (3) voted no, four (4) voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mail Room Scale, Folding Machine and Mailing Machine. The Mail Room has requested an Electronic Scale (\$1,679) and an Electronic Mailing Machine (\$3,960). With the trade-in on the old sealer, the cost will be \$7,207 for these items. Only the scale was budgeted in the amount of \$2,000. F&A recommends immediate approval of the scale. F&A also recommends approval of the other two items to be scheduled as funds are available with the Folder being the second priority and the Electronic Mailer the third priority. Funds to be an authorized variance from the Norbert Hill Center budget. Rick Hill moved to approve. David King seconded. Motion carried.

Sirens for Public Safety Department. The Oneida Public Safety Department is requesting permission to spend \$3,825 to equip the three patrol cars and the conservation truck with sirens. It is an unbudgeted item. Because of the functional need and the liability potential, F&A recommends approval with the funds coming from their radio equipment line item. Rick Hill moved to approve. Lloyd Powless seconded. Motion carried.

- (10) Typewriters. There were five requests for typewriters. F&A recommends the following:

Communications: Approval of a \$1,550 expenditure (850 budgeted). Shortfall to be covered by rearranging other budgeted capital expenditures. Rick Hill moved to approve. David King seconded. Lois Powless abstained. Motion carried.

Enrollments: Approval of budgeted \$1,550 expenditure. David King moved to approve. Gordon McLester seconded. Motion carried.

Land Office: Approval of \$1,550 unbudgeted expenditure as an approved variance. Dave King moved to approve, Rick Hill seconded. Lois Powless abstained. Motion carried.

Education & Law Office: Recommend rental arrangement from Management Services for needed but unbudgeted typewriters. David King moved to approve. Lloyd Powless seconded. Lois Powless abstained. Motion carried.

FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS (Continued)

- (11) Word Processors: Personnel request permission to purchase a word processor for \$2,650. This word processor is identical to the two being used by the Business Committee. It will not be available much longer, represents a large discount, and can be a backup for the existing ones. Though unbudgeted, Personnel can cover the purchase by adjusting line items. F&A recommends approval. Gordon McLester moved to approve, Rick Hill seconded. Lois Powless and Tony Benson opposed. Motion carried. Lloyd Powless moved that Don Wilson bring a long term plan on the use and purchase of word processors.
- (12) Roger Summers: Roger Summers has requested assistance from the Tribe to help him publish his manuscript, "The Story of The Oneida Nation." Based upon evaluation of several knowledgeable Oneidas, the manuscript is poor and in some cases totally incorrect. F&A recommends disapproval. It was suggested that Mr. Summers be told we do not have the resources available to help him financially, but that perhaps we should offer technical assistance. David King moved to approve F&A's disapproval. Lois Powless seconded. Rick Hill opposed. Motion carried. Rick Hill moved to refer Roger Sommers to the museum for technical assistance and advice. David King seconded. Mark Powless opposed. Motion carried.

TREATY - A PLAY BY BRUCE KING

"Treaty" is a new play by Bruce King (Bruce is an Oneida from Wisconsin who is presently working at the Turtle Museum in Niagara Falls, N.Y.) The play retells the story of when the white people arrived in this new world and their relationship with the Indian people and reasons for our treaties. At the present time, Bruce King is touring other Indian Reservations putting on the play.

Lloyd Powless has been in contact with Mr. King about coming to Oneida, WI. The expected cost is \$1,600 and they would be here around the first of March. Lloyd Powless is providing this for information only at this time.

JOM BYLAWS RESOLUTION #1-23-87-A

Sue Daniels presented the Indian Education Committee By-Laws and the BIA Master Contract #1-23-87-A:

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is responsible for providing and/or facilitating educational opportunities to its tribal members, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin to optimally administer and manage all programs directly affecting its membership, and

WHEREAS, Public Law 93-638 stipulates that Indian tribes "are entitled to contract with the Bureau to plan, conduct, and administer all or parts of any program which the Bureau is authorized to administer ...", and

WHEREAS, the Self-determination policy becomes manifest with self-direction and implementation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin requests to contract and administer the following BIA contract programs for Fiscal Year 1988 utilizing the Master Contract concept

1. Higher Education Program
2. Employment Assistance (AVI/DE)
3. Johnson O'Malley Program
4. Graduate Scholarship Prgm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That FY '88 contract negotiations, amendments and/or modifications be initiated through the Oneida Education Director and Oneida General Manager who will seek final approval of the Oneida Business Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That allocations pertaining to these contracts be made available in accordance with the Letter of Credit method of contracting. Initial FY '88 allocations are to be made available to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin no later than October 1, 1987. The proposed term of this contract is established as three years beginning October 1, 1987 through September 30, 1988 with provisions for renewal of the Oneida Master Contract for FY '89 and FY '90.

After review Mark Powless moved to approve the Indian Education Committee By-Laws and adopt the BIA Master Contract #1-23-87-A. David King seconded. Motion carried. Sue Daniels also presented the JOM First Quarter Report FY'87. This was provided for information and if anyone had questions, Sue asked that they contact her.

HIP RESOLUTION #1-23-87-B & POSSIBLE PARTICIPANTS ELDERLY, LOW INCOME, DISABLED, ETC.

WHEREAS, a Tribal governing body is eligible to apply for contracts/grants with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to plan, conduct and administer all or parts of Bureau authorized programs, under authority of P.L. 93-638, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin has determined that it wishes to exercise this contract/grant option by administering the FY'87 Housing Improvement Program, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin has approved a H.I.P. applicants list which included Tribal priorities of elderly, low income and large families.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The scope of the Oneida Tribe's FY'87 Housing Improvement Program is to plan, conduct and administer a H.I.P. grant of \$81,720.00, as start up money,
2. The Tribal Chairman is authorized to both negotiate and execute the grant and any amendments thereto,
3. The authorities granted herein shall be effective until such time as the Tribal governing body takes further action by resolution,
4. The Tribal governing body reserves the right to review the contract/grant and any amendment thereto before execution,
5. The proposed term for the Housing Improvement Program is for a period of 12 months, and it is proposed that it began February 1, 1987 and end of January 31, 1988.

Gordon McLester moved to adopt Resolution #1-23-87-B. Dave King seconded. Lois Powless abstained. Motion carried.

Lois Powless moved to add under Now Therefore Be It Resolved #1 "as startup money" at the end of the sentence. Rick Hill seconded. Motion carried.

OTE PRICE INCREASE - Bob Niemela

Bob Niemela explained that the distributor has passed on a price increase to the Tribe effective December 15, 1987. This amounted to .30 per carton increase across the board. Bob Niemela and Larry Barton requested a .30 per carton increase.

After discussion Gordon moved to approve the recommendation for a price increase and that OTE be able to pass on any price increase that comes from the manufacturer whenever necessary. Tony seconded. Motion carried.

JTPA PERFORMANCE STATUS - Bob Christjohn

Bob Christjohn sent the Business Committee the following memo:

Under the rule changes instituted by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Oneida JTPA office exceeded the three major performance standards imposed by the funding source. When the activity started there was a great concern because of possible financial sanctions that could have resulted if we failed. Please note that the DINAP Bulletin indicates that Oneida has far exceeded its objectives.

This reflects well on Ron Skenandore and his staff. Ron's staff is made of Cheryl Skolaski, Julie Barton, Thelma McLester and Jim White. These folks deserve a hardy thanks for their efforts. Their team effort is a credit to themselves and the Oneida community. I am requesting this memo become a part of each employee's permanent record.

Lloyd moved to accept the JTPA Performance Status for the record. Rick Hill seconded. Lois Powless opposed. Motion carried. Mark Powless stated for the record that this will reflect well on the staff but in his discussions with the counselors in JTPA, they say Ron Skenandore doesn't know anything about this program.

UWSP, WI INDIAN RESOURCE COUNCIL DELEGATE

Wisconsin Indian Resource Council is having their 1987 annual meeting on March 27, 1987 in Wausau, WI and they are requesting the name for the official Oneida voting delegate and an alternate.

Lloyd Powless moved that he be the official delegate and Chris Johns the alternate from Oneida. Gordon McLester seconded. Motion carried.

NCAI EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 1987 ANNUAL MEETING - Lloyd Powless

The meeting will be held March 10-12, 1987 in Washington, D.C. The Executive Council will hear from Congressional and administration representatives on current legislation and litigation. Tables of 12 are available for \$300 at the Dinner. NCAI encourages Tribes to sponsor a table for their friends and special guests.

Lois Powless moved that Lloyd Powless coordinate things for the meeting and who will be there. Also purchase a table at the banquet. Gordon McLester seconded. Mark Powless abstained. Motion carried.

BIA RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR TRAILER PARK

During the Fiscal Year 1987, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Roads Department is scheduled to survey the Trailer Park Road. Work will constitute clearing of lines, setting of bench marks, setting reference points, offsets, etc. As an extra note, more right-of-way may possibly be required on portions of the road.

It is required that we receive permission to survey from the Tribe before work can commence.

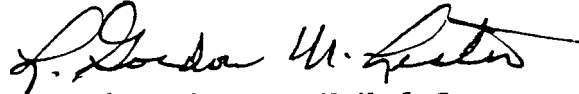
Certification: I, Purcell Powless, Chairman of the Oneida Tribe, hereby consent to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for permission to survey the above mentioned road.

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Mark Powless moved to approve. David King seconded. Motion carried.

10:30 Mark moved to recess. David seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Gordon McLester". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

L. Gordon McLester, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE