



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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Because of the help of the Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the Six Nations and the Colon of Pennsylvania, a new nation the United States was

## SPECIAL MEETING WITH CONSERVATION BOARD

MONDAY, MAY 23, 1988

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Purcell Powless-Chairman, Richard Hill-Vice Chairman, Amelia Cornelius-Secretary, Lloyd Powless, Larry Barton, Loretta Metoxen, Ernie Stevens, David King-Council Members

Excused: Kathy Hughes-Treasurer

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vation: Mike King, William "Buck" Stevens, Cliff Cornelius, Jerry Kurowski,

Others: Cheryl Skolaski (Secretary for Conservation Board) Randy Cornelius, Bob Christjohn, Chas Wheelock

Rick Hill administered the Oath of Office to Cliff Cornelius, William "Buck" Stevens, Mike King and Cheryl Skolaski.

### Discussion on Boards Terms of Office:

Cliff Cornelius, Mike King, Buck Stevens and Mary Ellen Jourdan appointed to board in March 88 for two (2) years.

- Jerry Kurowski term has expired.
- Cheryl Skolaski is the Secretary for the Board.

Need to post for three positions, two vacant and one expired term.

Cliff Cornelius stated that he felt the Conservation Ordinance should be called the Hunting and Fishing Ordinance.

### Discussion on the Conservation Board Goals and Objectives

Some are presently being worked on and some have been completed.

### Discussion on the Relationship Between the Various Tribal Boards, Commissions, and Organizations that are related to environmental issues on the Reservation

David King volunteered to work with the Conservation Board on setting up joint meetings.

Discussion on the Roles of the Conservation Board and the Charter and By-Laws

Need to clarify and refine. The Conservation Board related their need for space and a Conservation Officer.

It was suggested that a small work committee be established to review, revise if necessary and define the Conservation Charter and By-Laws and Ordinance.

Quick Review of FY'89 Budget Request

Needs for balance of FY'88 \$28 - 30,000. Amelia Cornelius moved to direct Bob Christjohn to locate funds for the Conservation Department to finish off FY'88. Rick Hill seconded. Loretta Metoxen abstained. Motion carried.

Amelia Cornelius excused from meeting.

Discussion - Conservation Board to Have Equal Standing as Other Tribal Boards

Funding Opportunities missed because no-one addressed conservation funds.

Job Description for Warden

Developed by Bob Christjohn. Reviewed and put on Business Committee agenda for May 26, 1988.

Discussion on Interim Warden

Suggest Mike King as Interm Warden with Jerry Kurowski as Supervisor. Feeling was position should be posted and follow the tribal hiring process. No funds are presently available for the position at this time.

Discussion about Enforcement of Conservation Laws/Ordinances

Public Safety includes training for Warden - Federal, etc. Application for Federal conservation training due June 22, 1988 and training begins at the end of August.

Discussion on Needs of Parks & Wildlife Staff

Program needs a truck. The Board would like a clarification on the Four Wheel Drive Truck (purchased through general funds) and its use. Lloyd Powless moved that Administration - Bob Christjohn look into the shared use of the four wheel drive truck by the Oneida Conservation Board and Oneida Public Safety. Ernie Stevens seconded. Motion carried.

Loretta Metoxen objected for the following reason: that we are not apprised whether or not that vehicle was purchased specifically for Conservation by a BIA Contract and if so, is it restricted to Conservation use.

Discussion on Conservation Club

Chas Wheelock stated general purpose of the Oneida Conservation Club is to establish a working relationship with non-Indian Conservation Clubs, etc. They want to work with all people within the 65,000 acre boundary.

Conservation Club 2nd Annual Banquet is at the Apple Creek Inn

Officers are: President - Eric McLester  
Vice President - Cliff Cornelius  
Secretary - Marvin Lucas  
Treasurer - Curt Danforth

Non profit charter for Conservation Club needs to be discussed and clarified by an Attorney.

Discussion on Formalizing a Working Committee


Recommendation of: Business Committee members - Larry Barton, David King, Ernie Stevens; Administration - Bob Christjohn; Conservation Board - Jerry Kurowski and Mike King.

Summer Institute on Tribal Natural Management June 13-24, 1988 at Boulder, Colorado

Loretta Metoxen moved to sent two (2) Conservation representatives to this Institute and funds are to be found by Administration and through the Oneida Community Support. Lloyd Powless seconded. Motion carried.

It was stated that the Conservation Budget was submitted by Terry Jordan last year. Administration didn't have information until now.

Rick Hill moved to recess, David King seconded. Motion carried.

  
Amelia Cornelius, Tribal Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee