

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



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



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.

GTC Resolution # 09-21-15-A

Approving Authority to Loan Funds to Oneida Golf Enterprise Corporation

- 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 of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin (the "Tribe") owns the Thornberry Creek at Oneida Golf Course (TCO), and the Tribe chartered the Oneida Golf Enterprise Corporation (OGEC) as a tribally-owned corporation to operate TCO; and
- WHEREAS,** OGEC may have the opportunity to host the Oneida LPGA Classic at TCO for three years starting in 2017; and
- WHEREAS,** OGEC will earn profits from increased sales of rounds of golf both before and after the Oneida LPGA Classic, and from ticket sales, food and beverage sales and parking during the event; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida LPGA Classic will bring exposure to TCO, increase name recognition for TCO and the Tribe, and afford numerous marketing opportunities for OGEC, the Oneida Casino, and the Tribe's hotels and retail businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida LPGA Classic will drive business and increase sales at TCO, the Oneida Casino, and the Tribe's hotels and retail businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida LPGA Classic will create charitable fundraising opportunities for the Tribe and local non-profit organizations; and
- WHEREAS,** members of the Oneida General Tribal Council will receive complimentary access to the Oneida LPGA Classic and the Oneida Nation hospitality tent, and will have the opportunity to volunteer to assist in hosting the event, and LPGA will host a clinic for Oneida juniors; and
- WHEREAS,** if selected to host the Oneida LPGA Classic, OGEC must make substantial improvements to TCO, including parking lot and practice range expansion, renovation of the lower level of the clubhouse, renovation and beautification of the golf course, construction of a cart storage facility, and replacement of old equipment and the purchase of additional equipment; and

WHEREAS, if selected to host the Oneida LPGA Classic, OGEC will be obligated to pay approximately \$4.5 million annually for the LPGA and associated Pro-Am purses, LPGA/TV sanctioning, and event management fees; and

WHEREAS, a significant portion of the costs of hosting the Oneida LPGA Classic will be offset through sponsorships, but OGEC will incur costs upfront and requires funds to pay these costs; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe, as the owner of TCO, will benefit from the planned infrastructure improvements at TCO, and will benefit through increased revenues from its other businesses; and

WHEREAS, the tribal membership will benefit from the opportunity to participate as spectators and volunteers at the Oneida LPGA Classic, and Oneida youth will benefit from LPGA juniors clinic; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee is hereby authorized to loan OGEC up to \$8.65 million for the purpose of enabling OGEC to pay the costs associated with hosting the Oneida LPGA Classic, under terms and conditions which are prudent and reasonable, considering the benefits to OGEC, the Tribe and the tribal membership.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida General Tribal Council, in session with a quorum of 1,633 members present, at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 21st day of September, 2015; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a majority vote of those present and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in anyway.



Lisa Summers, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee