

Oneida Business Committee Agenda Request

1. Meeting Date Requested: 04 / 27 / 17

2. General Information:

Session: Open Executive - See instructions for the applicable laws, then choose one:

Agenda Header:

Accept as Information only

Action - please describe:

3. Supporting Materials

Report Resolution Contract

Other:

1.

3.

2.

4.

Business Committee signature required

4. Budget Information

Budgeted - Tribal Contribution Budgeted - Grant Funded Unbudgeted

5. Submission

Authorized Sponsor / Liaison:

Primary Requestor/Submitter: Jay Rasmussen Land Commission Secretary

Your Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

Additional Requestor:

Name, Title / Dept.

Additional Requestor:

Name, Title / Dept.

Oneida Business Committee Agenda Request

6. Cover Memo:

Describe the purpose, background/history, and action requested:

The provide a quarterly update on activities surrounding the Oneida Land Commission.

- 1) Save a copy of this form for your records.
- 2) Print this form as a *.pdf *OR* print and scan this form in as *.pdf.
- 3) E-mail this form and all supporting materials in a **SINGLE** *.pdf file to: BC_Agenda_Requests@oneidanation.org

LAND COMMISSION—(OCT.—DEC. 2016) 1ST QUARTER REPORT

2017 Goals

Direction **Committing to Build a Responsible Nation**
Vision **Accountable & Effective Governmental Design**

To support Oneida Nation business and increase revenue, the Land Commission will identify and acquire strategic land purchases for Oneida Nation corporations and business units.

Direction **Advancing Onvyote?aka Principles**
Vision **Long Term Sustainability Plans**

The Land Commission has developed a program for a land ONLY purchase process; this allows membership more options in financing, the ability to acquire a home that fits their individual needs, maximizes the use of acquisition funds, and reduces risk to the Oneida Nation.

Direction **Creating a Positive Organizational Culture**
Vision **Accountable & Effective Governmental Design**

Recommended edits and changes for the by-laws will be submitted to the Legislative Operating Committee regarding Land Commissioner qualifications. The by-laws will outline specifications to Real Property Law class and/or equivalent hours, specified subject matter training, or completes specified training within one year of election.

Oneida Land Commission Members

Rae Skenandore, Chairperson
Racquel Hill, Vice-Chairperson
Jay Rasmussen, Secretary
Donald McLester, Commissioner
Sherrole Benton, Commissioner
Lloyd Powless, Jr., Commissioner
Rebecca Webster, Commissioner

ACQUISITIONS—First Quarter

- ◆ Eleven (11) acquisitions
- ◆ 9.13 acres acquired

Oneida currently owns 26384.19 acres or 40.3% of the original reservation.

The Oneida Land Commission is not a real estate developer. Future development decisions occur in another area of the Tribe.

MISSION

“The Land Commission is an elected body of policy makers for Land issues. The Commission oversees land acquisitions, leases, mortgage loans, land use, probates and all other tribal land issues.”

Meetings

Regular meetings are the 2nd Monday monthly.
Acquisition Meetings are the 4th Monday monthly.

Meeting and Hearing Stipends

Meetings	\$ 50.00
Eviction Hearings	\$ 50.00
Probate Hearings	\$ 50.00
Foreclosure Hearings	\$150.00

** Note a hearing body consists of 3 members*

First Quarter Meetings

3 Regular meetings
3 Acquisition meetings
1 Special Meetings
1 Joint meeting

First Quarter Hearings

1 Eviction
1 Foreclosures

LAND COMMISSION—(OCT.—DEC. 2016)

FIRST QUARTER SUMMARY

Update on Strategic Goals

- ◆ A strategic commercial property was acquired in June of 2016. As part of the purchase agreement the former owner occupied the facility/building until December 2016. Gaming will be conducting a feasibility study which will focus on producing revenue for the Oneida Nation. Details have not been “ironed out.”
- ◆ The Homeownership for Independent Purchase (HIP) program saw eight (8) additional purchases during the first (1) quarter of FY 2017.
- ◆ The Land Commission, Department of Land Management, Legislative Operating Committee, Bay Bank and Legal continue to develop administrative rules for a Phase II of the HIP program. Tribal Housing Reacquisition of Individual Fee and Trust Title (THRIFTT) Program would allow Nation homeowners to sell their land to the Nation. THRIFTT will be rolled out FY 2017.
- ◆ The Land Commission By-laws are being amended as the new laws come forward for approval. The By-laws will include a required training.
- ◆ The Leasing Law revisions are awaiting final approvals from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA.) A public meeting was held on May 19, 2016.
- ◆ The Mortgage Law revisions and approvals are coming to finalization. A public meeting was held on June 30, 2016.
- ◆ The Landlord Tenant Law revisions and approvals are coming to finalization. A public meeting was held July 21, 2016

Other Highlights

- ◆ The Land Commission is in the process of examining, developing and implementing plans for the FY '17 budget.
- ◆ The Oneida Nation acquired 6.5 acres of vacant trust land.
- ◆ Land Commission has officially moved all meetings to Little Bear Development Center per audit findings. This has been officially posted for Oneida Nation members.
- ◆ Joint Land Commission/Business Committee meeting was held on October 20, 2016.
- ◆ The Land Commission would like to welcome to our team Lloyd Powless and Rebecca “Becky” Webster. Both individuals have worked extensively with the Land Commission in the past.

BC ACTION NEEDED: REQUEST BUSINESS COMMITTEE TO ACCEPT THE LAND COMMISSION FIRST (1) QUARTER REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017