

Oneida Business Committee Agenda Request

1. Meeting Date Requested: 10 / 26 / 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:

Accept Oneida Land Claims Commission FY '17 4th quarter report

3. Supporting Materials

Report Resolution Contract

Other:

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Business Committee signature required

4. Budget Information

Budgeted - Tribal Contribution Budgeted - Grant Funded Unbudgeted

5. Submission

Authorized Sponsor / Liaison:

Primary Requestor/Submitter: Dakota Webster, Secretary/LCC
Your Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

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ONEIDA LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION

4th QUARTER REPORT

July 1, 2017 to September 30, 2017

Submitted by Dakota Webster, LCC Secretary 920-228-0623

LAND CLAIMS COMMISSIONERS:

Officers: Chairperson- Loretta Metoxen, Vice Chair-Chris Cornelius, Secretary/Treasurer- Dakota Webster

Commissioners: Donald McLester, Tomas Escamea, Charles Wheelock, Sheila Shawanokasic

LCC Liaison: Jennifer Webster

PURPOSE:

The Oneida Land Claims Commission will make informed thoughtful recommendations to the General Tribal Council and Business Committee on issues pertaining to all Oneida land claim issues. We also encourage active participation from the membership.

MISSION:

Actively pursuing education, recommendations, and resolutions to all land claim settlement offers; honoring our ancestors, treaties, and the seven generations.

MINUTES:

July- An MOU with the Business Committee was approved by the Land Claims Commission and is just waiting for BC approval. The MOU involves collaboration with the Secretaries office to utilize their staff as needed to eliminate money from our budget for staff. A yearly fixed assets inventory was completed. LCC discussed FY18 budget concerns and adjustments. A discussion on the showing of “the canary effect”. Possible locations discussed were the CEC or Elderly center. The canary effect addresses relocation. Bylaws have still not been approved by the LOC the LOC chair Brandon Stevens said that all approvals will be on hold until the LOC completes the comprehensive policy governing boards, committees, and commissions. When asked for a

timeline one was not available. Archives, museum, cultural heritage, and land claims are looking into finding a building to store sensitive documents in which the Land Claims Commission, Cultural Heritage, and the Archivist can have office space. The Archivist can then watch over documents and also retrieve documents for those that are in need of them in a timely manner. Land Claims Commission approved the proposed budget for FY18.

August- New Commissioner Sheila Shawanokasic received information from Don McLester, Loretta Metoxen and Tomas Escamea on what the commission goals are and some history. Tomas Escamea will talk with elder services to find out what dates are available for the showing of the canary effect. The schedule of meetings calendar was updated and handed out.

September- Lee Cornelius has started the updates to the website adding a timeline, updating contact information and uploading minutes. Review of the roles and responsibilities leaves room for misinterpretation so the commission will come back with detailed descriptions for each item. Chris Cornelius has met with Pat Pelky and Mary Jo Nash about gathering information to present to Land Commission about new location needed. They (planning) will compile information of square footage and sent it to the commission for review and also a meeting will be set up to present to Land Commission. Chris Cornelius will compose a letter to be given to the new Business Committee explaining what our roles and responsibilities are to the Nation and in what direction we are going along with our goals for the future and how they can help with those goals. Letter to the Business Committee was approved and sent to Lisa Summers to distribute to the BC. A homelands tour was discussed and possible dates for that travel will be either the 1st or 3 weekend in November of 2017. Lisa Summers will send Dakota Webster details when they are available. Those going to New York will be from the Business Committee, Land Claims Commission, Planning, and the Land Commission.

FINANCIAL:

July meetings = \$1100 stipends 4 meetings 2 regular 1 joint 1 special

August meetings = \$250 stipends 1 meeting 1 regular

September meetings = \$950 stipends 3 meetings 2 regular 1 special

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

The Land Claims Commission is working on getting approval of updated Bylaws. Once the Bylaws are approved the Commission will present changes to the General Tribal Council. The Land Commission will be having community outreach events to educate and get feedback on the direction the Commission has planned for the future. The Land Claims Commission will be looking for new ways to engage the community about land claims.

MEETING REQUIREMENTS:

The Land Claims Commission meets twice a month on a regular basis as scheduled; the first and third Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Meeting location Cottage 2.

FOLLOW-UP:

The plans to move forward with our new Bylaws have again been put on hold because of the updating to the Comprehensive policy governing boards, committees, and commissions has not gone through yet which affects the progress of the Commission because the LOC will not approve any changes or updates to the Bylaws till after the new policy has been approved. The Land Claims Commission has been working with planning in finding a solution to the storage and office space issues.

The Oneida Land Claims Commission is an elected governing body to meet the needs of the General Tribal Council.