

# Oneida Business Committee Agenda Request

1. Meeting Date Requested: 11 / 28 / 18

## 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:

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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:

Your Name, Title / Dept. or Tribal Member

Additional Requestor:

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# 2018 4th Quarter Report (Jul '18 - Sep '18)

## Land Claims Commission

Approved by official entity action on: November 13, 2018  
Submitted by Dakota Webster

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## OBC Liaison(s)

Kirby Metoxen, Council Member

Jennifer Webster, Council Member

## Meetings

1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

Location: Norbert Hill Center, 3rd floor room 338

Time: 5:30 PM

July 12th: Special meeting to discuss budget changes and additions and approval.

August 9th: Special meeting to discuss and approve the 3rd quarter report, and worked on the open house event (planning, preparation, discussion, and agenda), and reviewed agenda for a joint OBC meeting.

August 10: Joint Strategic Planning Meeting w/OBC to define roles and responsibilities and develop a strategic plan for a land claims strategy.

September 13th: Special meeting to finalize arrangements for Sep 20th, OLCC Open House/Public Hearing.

## Accomplishments

Please provide details of what the entity has accomplished that quarter, including any special events held during the reporting period and any travel by the members and/or staff.

### ACCOMPLISHMENT #1

Summary:

Community and OBC Education on the Oneida NY Land Claims: The OLCC conducted outreach at GTC meetings and answered questions, gathered feedback and comments from the community, handed out literature such as Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), distributed copies of our quarterly reports, provided information to membership about our new location, phone number and email address, and we purchased and distributed books to the membership and the BC on the history of the Oneida Land Claims and the Oneida relocation to Wisconsin.

Impact:

Educating our membership and leadership will help us come together and develop a settlement plan that is agreeable to the membership. Our home lands, is part of our history and our identity which makes our nation stronger. The community feedback we received, supports the Nation to move forward with the NY Land Claims. Our home lands supports and sustain our history, our culture and our sovereignty.

### ACCOMPLISHMENT #2

Summary:

Strategic Planning: The OLCC is working with the Oneida Business Committee to develop a better understanding of roles and responsibilities to come together in a more transparent way, to proceed with our Land Claim.

Impact:

These meetings helped the Oneida Land Claims Commission (OLCC) to share their passion for the Oneida Land Claims with the Business Committee (BC). The OLCC is an advisory body of the GTC, elected by the GTC to advise and make recommendations to the OBC on behalf of the GTC on Land Claims matters. These joint meetings, have promoted a positive working relationship for open communication in an atmosphere of trust, collaboration, and positive relationships, thus promoting good governance for the membership.

### ACCOMPLISHMENT #3

Summary:

We held an open house and public hearing to educate and engage the community on the NY Land Claims. The OLCC gathered community feedback and recommendations. The OLCC provided two presentations on the history of our land claims. Educational books on our Land Claims and relocation were distributed to the

membership. The OLCC compiled the community recommendations for OBC – OLCC Joint Strategic Planning. It is the recommendation of the membership to move forward with the NY Land Claims; to continue with a Congressional Fix, to work with other Iroquois Nations, and hire a lobbyist. The membership supports the continued work of the OLCC.

#### Impact:

This meeting has rekindled the land claim fires within the membership. The OLCC educational presentations on the history of the Oneida NY Land Claims, on September 20<sup>th</sup>, promoted responsible decision-making from our community. The community expressed the need to advance the NY Land Claims and to work with fellow Six Nation Tribes. This recommendation, from the membership, supports our sovereignty and promotes positive community relations with other Tribal Nations.

## Goals

Please provide details of the entity's long-term goals, the entity's goals for the next quarter, and projected quarterly activities.

### LONG-TERM GOAL #1

Educate the membership and Oneida Business Committee on the New York Land Claims.

Education promotes positive community relationships and promotes good decision making.

#### Update on Goal:

This is a projected goal. Nothing to report at this time

### LONG-TERM GOAL #2

To collaborate with the OBC and hold a GTC meeting in order to provide the GTC with an update on the Oneida New York Land Claims, and to provide the GTC with a strategic plan, and recommendations, for a Congressional Fix or other suggested alternative remedy (alternative remedies mentioned in the 2014 GTC land claims update).

Our homeland sustains our culture. The Oneida Nation has won all their NY land claims in the U. S. Courts. Asking Congress to recognize and abide by the treaties they made, and the U. S. Constitution is an exercise of our sovereignty that strengthens and protects our people, our history, and our land. Our homeland supports and sustains our culture.

#### Update on Goal:

This is a projected goal. Nothing to report at this time.

### QUARTERLY GOAL #1

Produce and distribute educational information (such as DVDs and brochures) on the Oneida Land Claims history and Oneida relocation from New York.

Education promotes positive community relationships and promotes good decision making

Update on Goal:

Recordable DVD's have been purchased. The commissioners are researching recordings and collaborating on DVD layout for distribution.

**QUARTERLY GOAL #2**

Hold semi-annual public hearings with the community.

Engaging the membership and gathering input from the membership, for the OBC, improves change and promotes effective responsive decision making and promotes open communication in an atmosphere of trust, collaboration and builds positive relationships in a manner, to advance our sovereignty, protect our land, our history and our culture.

Update on Goal:

This is a projected quarterly goal, there is nothing to report at this time.

**QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES**

Quarter 1: Continue to work on education and outreach; gather and report membership recommendations, create DVD's, update brochures and other handouts, continue to work with OBC on strategic planning and incorporate the membership recommendations from the Public Hearings.

Quarter 2: Hold Semi-Annual Public Hearing.

Quarter 3: Conduct Education and outreach, continue to gather feedback

Quarter 4: Conduct Semi-Annual Public Hearing.

Update on Activities:

There are no updates at this time, these are projected activities for the coming year

**Budget**

The Land Claims Commission's budget was \$33267 the actual amount spend was \$19966. We didn't utilize the budgeted money for outreach like we projected. We are gearing up for more activity in the coming year. Commissioners received \$50 stipend for each meeting in which a quorum was reached. The Commission is planning a lot more outreach and will be compiling information for membership update.

Total Budget for FY-2018:	Value A:	\$33267
Status of Budget at 4th Quarter:	Value B:	\$19966

Stipend Type	Stipend Amount
Meeting	1400
Joint Meeting	550
Judiciary Hearings	0
Hearings of Boards, Committees, or Commissions	250
Conferences and Trainings	0
Miscellaneous	800

#### Budget Utilization

Budget dollars were spent for regular and special meeting stipends; public hearing meeting expenses, to include preparation and planning; office supplies and materials; and educational materials, such as books.

#### Projected budgetary uses for the next quarter

The OLCC projection of budget expenses includes meeting stipends for regular meetings; community meetings to gather feedback and provide education; office supplies as needed for outreach projects, and purchases for materials for educational curriculum for the membership.

### Requests

The OLCC is an elected advisory body of the GTC to provide the OBC with recommendations from the membership for or against the NY Land Claims. At this time, the membership supports the OLCC and the continuation of the NY Land Claims. The OLCC held a public hearing with the membership last quarter and collected feedback throughout 2018 from the membership at GTC meetings and other outreach events. The OLCC requests the OBC to utilize the community's recommendations from the public hearing and community outreach events to develop a new strategic plan to move forward in the NY Land Claims.

### Other

This quarter Commissioners have donated approximately 65 hours outside of paid meetings in order to conduct the business of the Land Claims Commission. Hours include office hours for the public, research work, organization of office documents, strategic planning, and preparation of educational material.