

# Oneida Business Committee

Special Meeting 1:00 PM Friday, November 05, 2021 BC Conference Room, 2nd floor, Norbert Hill Center

### **Minutes**

# SPECIAL MEETING

**Present:** Chairman Tehassi Hill, Vice-Chairman Brandon Stevens (via Microsoft Teams¹), Secretary Lisa Liggins, Council members: David P. Jordan (via Microsoft Teams), Kirby Metoxen (via Microsoft Teams), Marie Summers, Jennifer Webster;

**Not Present:** Councilman Daniel Guzman King; **Arrived at:** Treasurer Tina Danforth at 1:07 p.m.;

**Others present:** Jo Anne House, Larry Barton (via Microsoft Teams), Danelle Wilson (via Microsoft Teams), Lisa Summers (via Microsoft Teams), Kristal Hill (via Microsoft Teams), Amy Spears (via Microsoft Teams);

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Tehassi Hill at 1:03 p.m.

For the record: Councilman Daniel Guzman King is attending a meeting with the Alliance of the Great Lakes.

#### II. OPENING

Opening provided by Councilman Kirby Metoxen.

## III. ADOPT THE AGENDA

Motion by Jennifer Webster to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by David P. Jordan. Motion carried:

Ayes: David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Marie Summers,

Jennifer Webster

Abstained: Brandon Stevens

Not Present: Tina Danforth, Daniel Guzman King

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Microsoft Teams is software which provides a communication and collaboration platform for workplace chat, file sharing, and video meetings.

## IV. GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL

A. Determine next steps regarding the November 15, 2021, tentatively scheduled special General Tribal Council meeting (Remaining items from the 2020 annual meeting, NDallas Petition, & Sustain Oneida)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Treasurer Tina Danforth arrived at 1:07 p.m.

Motion by Jennifer Webster to cancel the November 15, 2021, tentatively scheduled special General Tribal Council meeting, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens,

Jennifer Webster

Abstained: Tina Danforth, Marie Summers

Not Present: Daniel Guzman King

For the record: Treasurer Tina Danforth stated I think if we're going to continue to cancel meetings that we have to, it's imperative that we find a virtual means to have a General Tribal Council [meeting]. I don't think it's fair to the membership or the organization to not have General Tribal Council meetings to provide input from the community to keep them informed and to allow them to participate in governance.

For the record: Councilman Kirby Metoxen stated I don't think the Business Committee's intent is to not have General Tribal Council [meetings]. It's because of the data and the facts regarding the COVID-19 status in in our area at very high. I believe we're all in the same boat, we all want to have GTC meetings. I support if we can get something going virtually, do it, but technology is not my strong point

B. Discuss feasibility of the tentatively scheduled GTC meetings for the remainder of 2021 and determine next steps

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary and David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Jennifer Webster to cancel the tentatively scheduled GTC meetings for the remainder of 2021 and works towards meeting off reservation at a larger venue for January [2022], seconded by Marie Summers. Motion carried:

Ayes: David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Brandon Stevens, Marie Summers,

Jennifer Webster

Opposed: Kirby Metoxen
Abstained: Tina Danforth
Not Present: Daniel Guzman King

# V. ADJOURN

Motion by Marie Summers to adjourn at 1:32 a.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon

Stevens, Marie Summers, Jennifer Webster

Not Present: Daniel Guzman King

Minutes prepared by Lisa Liggins, Secretary. Minutes approved as presented on <u>November 24, 2021</u>.

Lisa/Liggins, Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE