



Oneida Business Committee

Executive Session
8:30 AM Tuesday, June 27, 2023
Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams¹

Regular Meeting
8:30 AM Wednesday, June 28, 2023
Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams

Minutes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: Chairman Tehassi Hill, Vice-Chairman Brandon Stevens, Secretary Lisa Liggins, Council members: Daniel Guzman King, Kirby Metoxen;

Not Present: Treasurer Tina Danforth, Councilmembers: David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster;

Others present: Jo Anne House, Keith Doxtator, Melinda J. Danforth, Mark W. Powless, Lisa Summers, Tana Aguirre, William Gollnick, Brandon Wisneski, Xavier Horkman, Nathan Wisneski, Barbara Webster;

REGULAR MEETING

Present: Chairman Tehassi Hill, Vice-Chairman Brandon Stevens, Secretary Lisa Liggins, Council members: Daniel Guzman King, Kirby Metoxen;

Not Present: Treasurer Tina Danforth, Councilmembers: David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster;

Others present: Jo Anne House, Keith Doxtator, Mark W. Powless, Todd Vanden Heuvel, Kaylynn Gresham, Justin Nishimoto, Michelle Danforth-Anderson, Katsitsiyo Danforth, Clorissa Leeman, Lisa Summers, Ralinda Ninham-Lamberies, Rae M. Skenandore, Joel Maxam, Paul Witek, Brooke Doxtator, Patricia King, Melanie Burkart, Lori Hill, Maureen Metoxen, Danelle Wilson, Rhiannon Metoxen, Grace Elliott, Kristal Hill, Melissa Alvarado, Jameson Wilson, Aliskwet Ellis, Fawn Billie, Carol Silva, Shannon Davis, Martin Prevost, Mary Graves;

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Tehassi Hill at 8:33 a.m.

For the record: Councilman David P. Jordan is out on approved travel attending the Center for Indigenous Innovation and Health Equity Tribal Advisory Committee Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK, Councilwoman Jennifer Webster is out on approved travel attending the 2023 Tribal Self-Governance Conference in Tulsa, OK, and Treasurer Tina Danforth is out on leave.

II. OPENING (00:00:20)

Opening provided by Councilman Kirby Metoxen.

¹ Microsoft Teams is software which provides a communication and collaboration platform for workplace chat, file sharing, and video meetings.

III. ADOPT THE AGENDA (00:00:37)

Motion by Kirby Metoxen to adopt the agenda with two (2) additions [1) under the General Tribal Council section, add item entitled Accept the fiscal impact statement regarding petition # 2023-29; and 2) under the Executive Session, Reports section, add item entitled Accept the May 2023 Treasurer's report], seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

IV. MINUTES

A. Approve the June 14, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes (00:02:11)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Brandon Stevens to approve the June 14, 2023, regular Business Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

Items VI.A was addressed next.

V. RESOLUTIONS

A. Adopt resolution entitled Research Forum with Oneida Nation (00:04:28)

Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Kirby Metoxen to adopt resolution entitled 06-28-23-A Research Forum with Oneida Nation with an additional Whereas, this research is being reviewed in accordance with BC Resolution # 05-08-19-A Research Requests-Review and Approval to Conduct and the Director of Comprehensive Health has identified support of this research, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

Item VII.A.1. was addressed next.

VI. APPOINTMENTS

A. Determine next steps regarding two (2) vacancies - Oneida Election Board Ad Hoc Committee (00:03:14)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the selected applicants and to appoint Mary King and Justine Huff to the Oneida Election Board Ad Hoc Committee with the terms ending December 21, 2023, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

Item V.A. was addressed next.

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

- 1. Accept the April 6, 2023, regular Community Development Planning Committee meeting minutes (00:11:28)**

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Vice-Chairman

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the April 6, 2023, regular Community Development Planning Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Lisa Liggins. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

- 2. Accept the May 4, 2023, regular Community Development Planning Committee meeting minutes (00:12:04)**

Sponsor: Brandon Stevens, Vice-Chairman

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the May 4, 2023, regular Community Development Planning Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

B. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- 1. Accept the June 5, 2023, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes (00:12:36)**

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Brandon Stevens to accept the June 5, 2023, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes and e-poll, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

- 2. Accept the June 19, 2023, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes (00:14:12)**

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the June 19, 2023, regular Finance Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

C. LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE

- 1. Accept the June 7, 2023, regular Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes (00:14:47)**

Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the June 7, 2023, regular Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

VIII. TRAVEL REQUESTS

- A. Approve the travel request in accordance with § 219.16-1 - Oneida Police Department - for four (4) officers - International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference - San Diego, CA - October 14-17, 2023 (00:15:21)**
Sponsor: Rich VanBoxtel, Chair/Oneida Police Commission

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve the travel request in accordance with § 219.16-1 - Oneida Police Department - for four (4) officers - International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference - San Diego, CA - October 14-17, 2023, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

- B. Enter the e-poll results into the record regarding the approved travel request in accordance with § 219.16-1 - Oneida Nation Commission on Aging - five (5) commissioners - National Indian Council on Aging Conference - September 24-30, 2023 - Cherokee, NC (00:16:11)**
Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to enter the e-poll results into the record regarding the approved travel request in accordance with § 219.16-1 - Oneida Nation Commission on Aging - five (5) commissioners - National Indian Council on Aging Conference - September 24-30, 2023 - Cherokee, NC, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve the CDC approval package - # 21-106 Amelia Cornelius Culture Park (00:16:50)**
Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve a procedural exception to forgo Phase II of the CIP process of routing the CDC approval package to the various review entities; to approve the CDC approval for CDC #21-106 Amelia Cornelius Culture Park - Property Repairs; and to activate \$765,000 from the FY2022 CIP Budget for CDC #21-106 Amelia Cornelius Culture Park – Property Repairs, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

- B. Dissolve the Oneida Pow Wow Committee, in accordance with § 105.17-2 of the Boards, Committees and Commissions Law (00:23:02)**
Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Lisa Liggins to approve to dissolve the Oneida Pow Wow Committee, in accordance with § 105.17-2 of the Boards, Committees and Commissions Law, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried²:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

X. GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL

- A. PETITIONER LINDA DALLAS - Accept the statements of effect - petition # 2023-30, 2023-31**

- 1. Accept the statement of effect - petition # 2023-30, 2023-31 (00:46:28)**
Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the statement of effect - petition # 2023-30, 2023-31, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

- B. PETITIONER LINDA DALLAS - Accept the legal opinion - petition # 2023-30**

- 1. Accept the legal opinion - petition # 2023-30 (00:47:13)**
Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the legal opinion - petition # 2023-30, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

- C. PETITIONER RAYMOND SKENANDORE - Accept the statement of effect - petition # 2023-32**

- 1. Accept the statement of effect - petition # 2023-32 (00:47:45)**
Sponsor: David P. Jordan, Councilman

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the statement of effect - petition # 2023-32, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

² There are no Oneida Powwow Committee members to receive the notice required in section 105.17-3. The Secretary has instructed the Government Administrative Office and Records Management to work with the Marketing and Tourism Director regarding the Management of Records and Materials required in section 105.17-4.

D. Accept the legal review status update regarding petition # 2023-31, 2023-32 (00:48:19)
Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the legal review status update regarding petition # 2023-31, 2023-32, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

E. Accept the fiscal impact statement regarding petition # 2023-29 (00:49:06)
Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the fiscal impact statement - petition # 2023-29, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. REPORTS

1. Accept the Chief Counsel report (00:49:55)
Sponsor: Jo Anne House, Chief Counsel

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the Chief Counsel report, seconded by Daniel Guzman King. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

2. Accept the General Manager report (00:50:20)
Sponsor: Mark W. Powless, General Manager

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the General Manager report, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

3. Accept the Intergovernmental Affairs, Communications, and Self-Governance June 2023 report (00:50:42)
Sponsor: Melinda J. Danforth, Director/Intergovernmental Affairs

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the Intergovernmental Affairs, Communications, and Self-Governance June 2023 report; to approve the amendment to the attorney contract - Hobbs Straus Dean and Walker LLP – file # 2019-1383; to approve the Oneida Nation Buyback/Withhold Agreement for FY 2024, file # 2023-0606; to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement, direct Self Governance to submit it to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Services Bemidji area; and to approve recommending Mrs. Laura Laitinen-Warren to the Governor's Equity and Inclusion Advisory Council and to direct Intergovernmental Affairs to work with the Chairman's office to submit the recommendation, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

4. Accept the Chief Financial Officer June 2023 report (00:52:13)

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the Chief Financial Officer June 2023 report, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

5. Treasurer's Report May 2023 (00:52:45)

Sponsor: Keith Doxtator, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the May 2023 Treasurer's report, seconded by Kirby Metoxen. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review application(s) for two (2) vacancies - Oneida Election Board Ad Hoc Committee (00:53:10)

Sponsor: Lisa Liggins, Secretary

Motion by Lisa Liggins to accept the discussion regarding the applications for the Oneida Election Board Ad Hoc Committee vacancies as information, seconded by Brandon Stevens. Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

XII. ADJOURN (00:53:45)

Motion by Daniel Guzman King to approve adjourn at 9:27 a.m., seconded by Brandon Stevens.

Motion carried:

Ayes: Daniel Guzman King, Lisa Liggins, Kirby Metoxen, Brandon Stevens
Not Present: Tina Danforth, David P. Jordan, Jennifer Webster

Minutes prepared by Fawn Billie, Information Management Specialist.
Minutes approved as presented on July 12, 2023.



Lisa Liggins, Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE