

Delaware Tribe of Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Monday, December 3, 2007

The Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, December 3, 2007 at the Delaware Tribal Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Members present at roll call were Curtis Zunigha, Raymond Cline, Verna Crawford, Annette Ketchum, Wayne Stull, Chief Douglas. Absent was Judy Harmon. Present in the audience were Verna Artherton, Paula Pechonick, Evelyn Thomas, Terri Aaroe, Marilyn Aaroe, Jack Tatum and girlfriend, Donna Adams, Jan Brown, John Tucker, Kay Anderson, Doyle Hayes, Bill Hatch, Chet Brooks. Tribal employees Marilyn Cole, Earnest Tiger and Tribal Attorney Ms. Vivki Sousa were also present.

Invocation was given by Curtis Zunigha. Chief Douglas then welcomed the guests.

Minutes of the previous meetings, October 15 and October 29 were presented and reviewed. **Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Verna Crawford.** Discussion Curtis questioned why Doyle's statement was included in the minutes. He had requested this. Annette then question why the reimbursement was made. The attendees of the NCAI midyear were representatives for the tribe. **Motion then carried with all in favor. One no Annette Ketchum.**

Motion to table the Treasurer's Report until the Treasurer can be present was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.

Old Business:

The elder housing units were discussed. Curtis stated that he disputed the Housing Authority directors letter on the cost of the units and the 11.3 acres. He stated that in 2000 and 2001 the IHP was amended under the direction of Scott George, HA director at that time. The land was purchased with NAHASDA funds. The tribe received the funds and the tribe appointed the Housing Authority as the subreipient and gave them funds needed to operate. He stated the IHP was presented to HUD for approval. Funds in the amount of \$184,000 were used to pay for the land, he questioned why we would want to give the land to the Housing Authority? He is opposed to giving the land and elder units to the Housing Authority. Annette then stated her opposition to this and stated that she has wrote a letter to the Housing Authority. Chief Douglas stated that NAHASDA funds were used but does not know what kind of deal was made in the past for the land and units. Curtis then reviewed the history and scope of the Housing Authority. He stated that the tribe needs to manage the elder units. Currently the rents received from the elder units goes to the Housing Authority, but these do not come close to covering the expenses of the units maintenance. Further discussion followed. It was suggested that the Housing Authority bring the IHP to the next meeting so that they can prove their claims to the property. **Motion to table the issue was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor. One abstain, Annette Ketchum.**

Reports:

Reports are included in the tribal council packets.

Marilyn Cole read the names of new tribal members from Resolution 2007-09. **Motion to approve Resolution 2007-09 approving new tribal members was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with all in favor.**

New Business:

Jan Brown questions about monies for the Elder nutrition program. Wayne Stull stated that he has been in contact with both Brad Cobb and Buel Anglin about the funds promised to our program. There was no date given on when we would receive these. Wayne will call again to see if there is a time table on receiving the funds.

The resolutions passed at general council were reviewed. Lengthy discussion of these followed by Curtis and Annette. The constitution was also discussed. Curtis stated that he would like to have equal column space in the DIN for all elected officials and that paid ad space be available as well. This was Resolution 2007-10. **Motion to approve Resolution 2007-10 was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with all in favor.** Tentative DIN due date is 12-20. Bill Hatch questioned if this included trust board members as well. It was stated that all elected officials should be allowed to have a column. **Motion to approve Resolution 2007-11 was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.**

The resolution to ratify the petition calling for the community center to remain open to all tribal members was discussed at length. Discussion of the constitution followed. **Motion that all resolutions with the exception being the Chief's salary be considered unconstitutional was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with four yes two no. Curtis Zunigha and Annette Ketchum were no votes.**

Discuss by Jerry Douglas that he would like to see the salary issue be brought to the people for a vote. **Motion to approve Resolution 2007-12 regarding the Chief's salary was made by Curtis Zunigha, seconded by Annette Ketchum. Discussion followed. 2 yes, 3 no, one abstain. This issue will go to the vote of the people.**

Motion to allow Vicki Sousa to represent the tribal council and named parties in the lawsuit filed by John Sumpter was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with four yes 2 no. Annette Ketchum and Curtis Zunigha were no votes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.