

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS
TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 16, 2008

The Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians was Monday, June 16, 2008, West Room of the Nowata Public Library, Nowata, OK. The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Chief Jerry Douglas. Members present were Chief Douglas, Verna Crawford, Raymond Cline, Curtis Zunigha and Judy Harmon. Absent were Wayne Stull and Annette Ketchum. Audience present was Chet Brooks. Tribal employees present were Earnest Tiger and Marilyn Cole. Invocation was given by Mr. Tiger.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. **Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Judy Harmon. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Treasurer's Report was given by Judy Harmon. She stated that there was nothing new to report.

Old Business:

Federal Recognition report was given by Chief Douglas. He stated that he spoke with Tom Peckham. John Montgomery submitted his written report. The status of the tribe's 8a status was discussed. We have been notified by a letter sent May 21st, and received this week, that we had been terminated from the program. The letter was postmarked June 5th. Earnest Tiger, Economic Development, will pursue getting an extension or a new designation. Further discussion on having meetings with the SBA in Oklahoma City was held. The possibility to have language in the Congressional bill on the Tribes's federal re-instatement was discussed.

Curtis Zunigha gave his housing report on the Elder units in Bartlesville. He stated that letters have been sent to the residents and he is working on an inspection and maintenance services schedule and requested another \$2,000 to cover costs. He stated that a stove and refrigerator need to be fixed. Balances still held by the Housing Authority were discussed.

Discussion was held regarding the election committee and the Tribal Council election in November. Mary Jo, Darrell Glen, Robyn Sroufe have volunteered. **Motion to appoint the three volunteers to the Election Committee was made by Judy Harmon, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor. Motion to add Marilyn Coffey to the election committee was made by Curtis Zunigha, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with two no, Judy Harmon, Jerry Douglas, three yes.** Curtis requested that the election committee determine dates and deadlines for November elections, available tribal council and judge positions as well as update the election committee regulations.

New Business:

It was stated that Grand Gateway dues are due and they have raised to \$1,050 up from last years \$700. **Motion to not renew Grand Gateway dues was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Judy Harmon. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Discussion of the judges ruling was held. When a ruling is issued an election can be held to address the chief's salary.

Chief Douglas then gave the DEA report. He reported on the financials and stated that there are two projects in the works. Earnest Tiger gave an update on the last DEA meeting. A meeting is currently being set up with USDA, banks and suppliers for the projects so that all will know what is going on with each project. He stated that the signage for the Dewey project will be done by Barking Dog in Dewey.

Verna then gave a brief report on her Mid-year NCAI trip. She stated that it was a well attended meeting with over 1,000 people registered. There was a focus on the upcoming national elections and the census.

Motion that the Tribal Council review and approve the next issue of the DIN was made by Curtis Zunigha, seconded by Verna Crawford. Discussion followed. Three no, Raymond Cline, Judy Harmon, Jerry Douglas. Two yes Verna Crawford, Curtis Zunigha. Motion fail.

Motion to adjourn was made. Meeting Adjourned.