

Delaware Tribal Council  
Delaware Tribe of Indians  
Monday, July 28, 2008

The Delaware Tribal Council met Monday, July 28, 2008. The meeting was held in the Hospitality Room of the Vinita, Oklahoma. The meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m. by Chief Jerry Douglas. Members present at roll call included Annette Ketchum, Chief Douglas, Judy Harmon, Verna Crawford, Raymond Cline. Wayne Stull arrived at 6:30 p.m. Absent was Curtis Zunigha. Present in the audience were Don Wilson, Sharon Nolte, Jane Hayes, Doyle Hayes, Chet Brooks, Dee Ketchum, Lyndall Culver, Marvin Culver and Christina McMahan. Tribal employees present were Marilyn Cole and Earnest Tiger. Tribal Attorney Vicki Sousa was also present. Invocation was given by Doyle Hayes.

Minutes of the previous meetings were reviewed. **Motion to approve the previous meetings minutes with corrections was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Judy Harmon.** Discussion the corrections followed. The location of the meeting was wrongly listed and upcoming election instead of census was discussed at mid-year NCAI. **Motion carried with all in favor. 2 abstain, Annette Ketchum and Judy Harmon.**

The Treasurer's report was given by Judy Harmon. She stated that we have received the fuel tax funds in the amount of \$33,900.75 and \$50,000 for our ATG funding (Aide to Tribal Government), we should receive the remainder by the end of the week. The audit has been completed. Discussion followed on the ATG funds.

Old Business: Chief Douglas gave an update on the federal recognition activities. There was a meeting with Congressman Sullivan Friday, July 28. Sullivan stated that he will introduce our bill by August 1. This is a short Congress year with the elections. We are still working with the BIA on the OIWA. Wayne also reviewed our course of actions. Annette stated her disagreement with the bill and questioned why we did not go part 83. Lengthy discussion of this followed, no tribe in Oklahoma could qualify under Part 83.

No housing report due to Curtis' absence. There is another leak at the apartments and an air conditioner needs repair.

The election committee recommendations were reviewed. The statues and regulations now are matching documents. **Motion to approve the recommendations of the election committee was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with five ayes and one no, Annette Ketchum.**

**Motion to take a 10 minute break was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Meeting called back to order at 7:30 p.m.

There is a parliamentary workshop being held in Oklahoma City. If anyone wants to attend please let Marilyn know.

New Business:

Resolutions 2008-05, 2008-06, 2008-07 were presented for review and consideration

Resolution 2008-05 addresses tribal employee harassment. Due to several incidents where tribal staff has been harassed by elected officials and tribal members. If there are any complaints they must be submitted in writing to the Chief. The resolution also deals with the amount of persons who can be in the tribal manager's office. **Motion to approve Resolution 2008-05 was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with five ayes and one no, Annette Ketchum.**

Resolution 2008-06 approved the chain of command on information regarding our federal recognition. The Tribal Council approved that Chief Jerry Douglas or his designated official to act as official spokesperson to interact with persons or agencies on behalf of the Tribal Council and that no tribal member or council member be allowed to speak on behalf of the tribe or Tribal Council. **Motion to take a fifteen minute break to allow Annette to read the remaining resolutions was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.**

The meeting was called back to order at 8:00 p.m. Annette then stated her opinion on Resolution 2008-06. Further discussion followed. **Motion to approve Resolution 2008-06 was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Judy Harmon. Motion carried with with five ayes and one no, Annette Ketchum.**

Resolution 2008-07 authorizes the Delaware Tribe of Indians to request from the Secretary of Interior to reorganize the Oklahoma Indian Welfare Act and to restore the Tribe to the list of Federally recognized Indian Tribes. **Motion to approve Resolution 2008-07 was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Wayne Stull.** Discussion followed. **Motion then changed to approve with gramatical corrections. Motion carries with with five ayes and one no, Annette Ketchum.**

Discussion of having the office being closed on Fridays. The employees will work 10 hour days. **Motion to approve the four ten hour days and the hours of operation 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for a six month trial was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with with five ayes and one no, Annette Ketchum.**

Annette stated that the Cultural Preservation is having a covered dish and social with dance and songs on Tuesday, July 29. She also stated that the cultural classes are scheduled for the remainder of this year and next.

Tribal member Sharon Nolte stated that Jane Quick has given her a farm and that she wants this to go to the tribe. The tribe can put this in trust after the recognition is restored for the benefit of the whole tribe. She stated that it can be put into a legal trust until that time. Jane Quick wants the tribe to have this to use for the benefit of the tribe. She stated that she has been working against wannabe groups in the east for many years. She reviewed various groups that have been using the Delaware tribe to gain profits. She stated that she needs support from the tribal council to help her with this endeavor. Much discussion of this followed with both the audience and council. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.