

Delaware Tribe of Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Monday, May 4, 2009

The Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, May 4, 2009 in the East Room of the Nowata Public Library. The meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m. by Chief Jerry Douglas. Members present at roll call included Wayne Stull, Raymond Cline, Bill Hatch, Verna Crawford, Chief Douglas, Chet Brooks. Annette arrived at 7:05 p.m. Present in the audience was Betty Nunnalee, Gloria Hatch, Karen Wilson, Mike Hall. Tribal employees present included Mary Jo Peterson, Marilyn Cole and Earnest Tiger. Tribal Attorney Vicki Sousa was also present. Invocation was given by Earnest Tiger. It was stated that in the future if any council member is going to be absent they need to call the tribal office or the chief or it will be considered an un-excused absence.

Mike Hall, Director of Water Services for the City of Bartlesville made a presentation and review of the recent water study and the need for a new water storage tank/tower. The city is going to replace the current storage tank on Madison with a new one hopefully located on the NE corner of our property. He stated that the city is applying for a loan through the water resources board and this must be submitted in July. They would like to use 1.15 acres of land west of the current tower. He discussed with the council why that location and that the old storage facility would be torn down. He discussed that the new tank would provide a more reliable service to current and new growth on this side of town. Lengthy discussion of this followed. Chief Douglas stated that he would like to donate the 1.15 acre and that the city buy emergency generators from our new company. Further discussion followed. Some geo-technical work needs to be done. Motion that the Delaware Tribe donates the 1.15 acre was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Bill Hatch. Discussion followed as the Chief would like to be put on the list for the city's purchase of generators. Mike Hall stated that the city will provide the cost's survey of the property, deed, insurance and all legal issues. The property will be fenced as this is a requirement since 9-11. Motion carried with all in favor. One no, Wayne Stull.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.

The treasurer's report was given by Mary Jo Peterson. The current report format was discussed. She stated that the packet was ready to go to the auditors and that they will be here in mid-May to do the audit. This is the 07 audit and the 08 will be next. Motion to approve the treasurer's report pending audit was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with all in favor.

Unfinished Business: None

Reports:

The resolution 2009-05 regarding new members was read. Motion to approve resolution 2009-05 was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor.

Federal recognition report was given by the Chief. He stated the election is May 26 and that ballots will be mailed by the BIA early next week. The list of eligible voters has been posted. We would like to send a post card to all who are on the list to remind them to vote and follow the directions. Motion to send a post card to encourage tribal members to vote and read the directions on the ballots was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor. Verna stated that we should add a statement that no benefits are going to be lost with a positive vote.

It was stated that the Housing Authority is now managing the elder units. It was also announced that there is a vacancy on the Housing Commission and that this will be filled at next months meeting.

New Business:

Discussion of the need for travel to Washington, D.C. followed as a trip needs to be done soon after the election. Election time-lines were also discussed. Motion to withdraw a \$50,000 cd was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with all in favor. One no, Annette Ketchum.

Motion to allow Wayne Stull, Chief Douglas, Earnest Tiger and Vicki Sousa to travel to Washington, D.C. was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.

Motion to send any interested council member to NCAI was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Bill Hatch. Discussion followed. Motion carried with all in favor. One no, Annette Ketchum.

Annette stated that the elder committee had met and would like to have the trash area repaired. Discussion followed no action taken.

John Montgomery was discussed. He was notified on March 31 that his services were not needed at this time. We received a billing for April. Bill Hatch discussed a listing of lobbyist funds he had obtained. Discussion of this followed. Motion to discontinue John Montgomery services until further notice was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor. Discussion of John possibly working on a percentage of funds obtained by him for us followed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.