

Delaware Tribe of Indians  
Delaware Tribal Council Meeting – February 3, 2014  
Delaware Community Center  
**Minutes for January 7, 2014 Meeting---APPROVED**  
Respectfully Submitted By Jenifer Pechonick

The Chief called the meeting to order at 5:20 pm. Councilman Nathan Young led the Lord's Prayer. Present: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Jenifer Pechonick, Annette Ketchum, Janifer Brown, Verna Crawford and Nate Young. Annette Ketchum arrived after roll call.

The meeting is being held on Tuesday instead of Monday due to weather.

Guests: Bruce Martin, Charles and Mary Randall, Gilbert and Mary Watters, Bonnie Jo Griffith, Jean Lewis, Curtis Zunigha, Greg Brown, Cy Young, Sandi Jamison and Nicky Michael.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the minutes December 2, 2013 with corrections. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chet Brooks. Discussion: 6 yes, 1 abstain (Jenifer Pechonick). Motion passed.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report pending audit. 2<sup>nd</sup> Verna Crawford. Discussion: Bonnie Jo Griffith asked if the report was online. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the reports in the packet, 2<sup>nd</sup> Janifer Brown. Motion passed.

Curtis Zunigha verbally added to his written report. He recognized Greg Brown for his work on the Delaware Indian News and commented the issue was a good one with much information and many pictures. Curtis discussed the implementation plan the Cherokee's presented which includes the Current Assisted Stock (CAS) but not our Needs money. Sonja Key consulted for Housing she stated when the BIA acknowledges the Kansas service area HUD will follow. The Indian Housing Plan is complete. We received a distribution of 3 funds. He recognized Nordhaus Law Firm and Tom Peckham.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve a \$10,000 payment to Nordhaus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annette Ketchum. Discussion: money will come from the funds from the distribution to pay a portion of the outstanding legal fees incurred over the years. Motion passed all in favor.

Curtis highlighted the 2014 holiday schedule.

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the 2014 holiday schedule. 2<sup>nd</sup> Nathan Young. Motion passed all in favor.

Curtis also reported Bruce Martin has been working with staff and Council with regards to community center rental.

The State of Kansas sent a tax bill to the Tribe for Caney and Lawrence. The county exempted Caney property but the State overruled. We will ask formally for an exemption on both properties.

Verna made a motion to hold Tribal Council meetings for 2014 the first Monday of each month, weather permitting, or if Monday is unavailable, the next possible day. The Tribal Council will meet in Caney the first month of each quarter. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annette Ketchum. Discussion: Due to weather, the Council was unable to meet yesterday in Caney. The pipes froze in Caney, so the meeting was moved to Bartlesville tonight. September's meeting will be held on the Tuesday after Labor Day. Motion passed all in favor.

Nathan Young made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-01. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chet Brooks. Discussion: Jenifer Pechonick read the names of 17 new tribal members. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-02 Transfer of Lawrence property from LTI, LLC to the Delaware Tribe of Indians. 2<sup>nd</sup> Janifer Brown. 5 yes 2 abstain (N. Young, C. Brooks) Discussion: Nathan Young said the resolution contains "support the submission of a BIA Trust Application in Kansas". LTI is a Tribally owned LLC. Nathan Young made a friendly amendment to the resolution to strike the language regarding the Trust application. The motion is withdrawn.

Verna made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-02 as amended. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chet Brooks. Discussion: language which pertains to submittal of Trust application to be stricken. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to table Resolution 2014-03 due to the wording of the resolution. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to approve resolution 2014-04 to approve implementation agreement #2 for NAHASDA funding implementing 2008 MOA for CAS, 2<sup>nd</sup> Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

Chet Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-05 to adopt election rules used in the 2013 Trust Board Election with one necessary minor change. Discussion: Discussion was held about the resolution wording. Tabled; to be discussed at a workshop.


Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Turner & Associates to conduct the audit for 2013. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor.

Bonnie Jo Griffith asked to be recognized. She asked if Verna Crawford as the secretary keeps copies of the resolutions and minutes. She also suggested the official copy of the minutes be signed by the secretary. She also asked about the Gaming Commission. The Gaming Commission is provisioned through the Gaming Regulations approved by NIGC (National Indian Gaming Commission) about 1999.

Nicky Michael asked if the Tribe's 501(c)3 was current. Jean Lewis confirmed it is current.

Nathan Young made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed all in favor.

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Paula Pechonick, Chief

  
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Verna Crawford, Secretary