

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS  
Regularly Scheduled Tribal Council Meeting, April 5, 2016  
Recorded by Annette Ketchum, Secretary

At 5:30 p.m. Chief Chester Brooks called the meeting to order and Secretary Annette Ketchum offered prayer. Chief Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance of the Flag and Ms. Ketchum called the roll. Dr. Nicky Michael was absent and in addition to Chief and Ms. Ketchum, Assistant Chief Bonnie Griffith, Treasurer Benita Shea, Councilwoman Michelle Holley and Councilman Nate Young were all present. Chief Brooks welcomed the guests. Guests and employees present were Anita Mathis, Johnny Barker, Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Jean Lewis, Carolyn Rowe, Steve Rowe, Nancy Sumpter, Dana Murrell, Karla Vernon, Cece Biggoose, Beau Watt, Paula Pechonick, Nathan "Buck" Young, Allan Barnes, Leslie Fall-Leaf and Curtis Zunigha. Ms. Griffith made the motion, seconded by Ms. Shea to approve the minutes without corrections. Motion passed 6 Yes.

Ms. Griffith made the motion to amend the agenda to allow Tim Houseberg to present a report on Hydroponics Proposed Urban Development work he has done. This was seconded by Mr. Young, and passed 6 yes. Mr. Houseberg said the PUD Modification of the back 40 acres of Lenape campus involving site plan and code changes is included in Councils' packets. The PUD review is in progress. He asked the Council to set a date for a public meeting for all the homeowners surrounding the Lenape campus. Discussion with questions and answers followed. That date will be April 18, 7:00 p.m. in Forsythe Hall and letters will be sent to the homeowners for this town hall meeting. The public hearing with the City will be April 26 and its decision will be heard.

Unfinished Business

Ms. Griffith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shea, to accept the mockup version of the Cherokee Nation license Tag as it was proposed, further that Ms. Holley will advise AG Hembree at CNO and if further more official notification is needed, Chief Brooks will provide a letter. This was passed 6 yes.

Reports

Ms. Griffith and Ms. Shea reported on their trip to Las Vegas for RES 2016. The sessions were very beneficial, covering subjects on branding, marketing, fraud prevention, accounting, wind and solar power. A 150-booth trade show allowed them to speak to many vendors and both councilwomen were grateful they were able to attend for a week and represent the Tribe. Jimmie Johnson also attended.

New Business

A motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Ms. Holley to donate \$1,500 to the Delaware Pow Wow Committee (Elaine Clinton). Suggestions were made to get volunteers to help the Clintons with cleanup due to his illness. It was announced that the Culture Preservation Program Committee donated \$500 for boards and paint to repair the bleachers.

The Tribal Facebook will post other needs that volunteers may provide to help with cleanup at the grounds.

A discussion followed about the Intranet and Ms. Holley spoke to the needs the Grant Steering Committee has for getting documents and information from the Shared (S) Drive. Discussion included 1) How much access will there be to documents and by whom; 2) Access credentials with passwords being changed every 30 days is necessary; 3) All three campuses will have access and 4) All elected officials, employees and staff will have access of S Drive. Motion was made by Ms. Shea and seconded by Ms. Griffith to allow Johnny Barker and Greg Brown to get the set up completed on the S Drive and for Manager Allan Barnes to be fully informed of how the access will work so he can inform the new I. T. person after Johnny is gone. Motion passed 6 yes.

Mr. Young asked for parliamentary privilege to honor and thank Johnny Barker for his faithful and honorable employment which is so appreciated. The Council gave a standing O.

Resolution 2016-24, to Approve Tribal Membership, was read and a motion by Mr. Young and second by Ms. Shea was passed 6 Yes. A discussion followed by Ms. Griffith asking if the Tribe could return to the practice of including the names of the persons, not just their numbers. This will be on the agenda at the April 19 meeting. Since Dr. Michael asked for the names to be removed and have numbers only, she will be able to speak to the subject at the next meeting. Two suggestions by Leslie Fall-Leaf, Enrollment Director, is to omit the blood quantum and have a question on the application form offering the new member an option to having or not having his/her name published.

Resolution 2016-25, to Reaffirm the Status of the Delaware Latecomers, was read. Ms. Griffith made a motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Mr. Young, and passed 6 Yes. Ms. Fall-Leaf addressed the Council to clarify the history of this action. Her research, with that of Chris Miller, has settled a long-standing matter of membership.

Resolution 2016-26, Requesting the United States of America Place Certain Lands into Trust for and on Behalf of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and Authorizing Officials of the Delaware Tribe to Execute Documents Necessary to Such a Request, was read. Mr. Young made the motion to accept, was seconded by Ms. Shea, and was passed 6 Yes.

Resolution 2016-27, Confirming Attached Memorandum of Agreement with NAEG and Authorizing Continued Screening and Purchasing Possibilities, was read, Ms. Holley made the motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Ms. Ketchum , and passed 5 Yes, 1 No (Shea).

Additional Business

Notice was given by Ms. Holley and seconded by Ms. Ketchum to put Resolution 2015-51, Line of Authority, and Resolution 2015-20, Housing Rental Policy, on the April 19 agenda so as to vote to rescind the two resolutions.

Ms. Griffith made a motion at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Ms. Shea, to go to Executive Session to discuss moral turpitude of a tribal employee. Council returned to the table at 7:56 p.m. and Chief Brooks said no action was taken. Council thanked Carolyn and Steve Rowe for the cookies they provided. (Ms. Rowe is a Kansas Delaware councilwoman.) At her request, Chief Brooks gave Michelle Vernon opportunity to address the audience on her opinions about live streaming, to which the Chief said he would only approve of one-way streaming with Council approval.

Motion to adjourn made by Ms Griffith and seconded by Ms. Ketchum. Adjournment at 8:07 p.m.