

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS
Tribal Council Meeting, May 17, 2016
Minutes taken by Secretary Annette Ketchum and Dana Murrell, Adm. Asst.

Chief Chester Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m. and asked tribal elder, Mary Watters, to pray. Chief led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Ketchum called the roll. Present, in addition to Chief Brooks and Ketchum were Treasurer Benita Shea and council members, Dr. Nicky Michael, Michelle Holley, and Nate Young. Asst. Chief Bonnie Griffith was absent for medical reasons.

Chief Brooks welcomed guests and invited those wishing to speak to be heard. Guests and employees present were Nancy Sumpter, Dana Murrell, Mary Watters, Anita Mathis, Steve Rowe, Carolyn Rowe, Allan Barnes, Charles Randall, Mary Randall, Bonnie Thaxton, Paula Pechonick, Beau Watt, Jason Jones, LuAnn Hainline, Cece Biggoose, Nathan "Buck" Young, Karla Michelle Vernon, Jean Lewis, Curtis Zunigha, Joe Brooks, John Sumpter, Leslie Jerden, Levi Randoll, Anna Pechonick and Leslie Fall-Leaf. Those addressing the Tribal Council were Joe Brooks, Michelle Vernon, John Sumpter, Leslie Jerden, Anita Mathis, Levi Randoll, Anna Pechonick, and LuAnn Hainline. All had complaints, corrections, or announcements. Dr. Michael introduced James Rattling Leaf from Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota. He is a consultant for the \$250,000 638 Climate Change planning grant.

Mr. Young made a motion to vacate for Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Shea, which passed 3 Yes, 2 No (Holley, Michael), 1 Abstain (Ketchum). The reason was stated by Mr. Young that it was for proprietary economic development at 6:41 p.m. Ms. Ketchum left before the regular meeting resumed.

Chief Brooks called the meeting back to order at 7:08 p.m. No one made a motion to approve the May 3, 2016 minutes. Corrections had been made to the minutes prior to the meeting and was acknowledged by Councilwoman Holley. The minutes were approved, without motion, 3 yes, 2 abstentions (Holley, Michael).

Unfinished Business

Chief Brooks announced LuAnn Hainline resigned from the Election Board, but Darrell Glenn has volunteered to be the chairman and has a total of three members, Robyne Sroufe her daughter Sherry and Cass Smith. Darrell will be present at the June 7th Tribal Council meeting to possibly recommend another member.

Reports

Ms. Shea moved to approve the April 2016 financials pending audit. Seconded by Mr. Young. Motion passed 4 yes, 1 abstention (Holley).

New Business

Leslie Jerden is recognized on behalf of the Editorial Committee to recommend adding Nathan "Buck" Young as a new member of the committee also announced Chris Miller asked to be removed due to lack of time available for a volunteer position. Ms. Shea motioned to have Nathan "Buck" Young join the Editorial Committee as recommended. Seconded by Mr. Young. Motion passed 4 yes, 1 abstention (Michael).

Dana Murrell is recognized. She read a letter requesting an agreement for a deadline to be set regarding the submission of the documents for Tribal Council meetings. Mr. Young made a motion which was amended after discussion to have everything in by Wednesday close of business prior to the Tuesday meeting, so that a final agenda and any resolutions can be posted, to the campus doors and on the internet for public viewing by end of day on Friday. Seconded by Mrs. Holley. Suggestion by Leslie Fall-Leaf was to find the written rules that used to be in place. Motion passed 5 yes.

Mr. Young made a special request to allow the Tribal Manager to give his report due to being missed. Ms. Shea seconds that request. Chief Brooks recognizes Allan. Reports on the progress the Grant Steering Committee is achieving, upkeep of the Cemeteries and extends congratulations to Mary Randall as Elder Nutrition Director and her accomplishments. Reads the rules of the Elder Nutrition Program which will be posted in the dining hall. Elaborates on the possible ICDBG opportunity for 2016 as requested by Ms. Michael.

Titus Frenchman is recognized. Discusses the possibility of Lactose Free Milk being available. Ms. Michael makes a motion that we provide it in our program, seconded by Ms. Shea. Motion passed 5 yes.

Brice Obermeyer is recognized. Discussion of the creation of a Museum Director position opening and the vision of a Cultural Facility. Ms. Holley made the amended motion that the Council accept the recommendation of the personnel committee and create the position of Museum Director, including the attached job description. Ms. Michael seconds. Discussion follows. Motion passed 5 yes. Brice also reported on the repatriation in Ohio progress.

Resolution 2016-32, to Certify a Tribal Member as a Delaware Artist, Mr. Young sponsored it and made a motion for Erica Magee to become a certified artist, seconded by Ms. Holley and passed 5 yes.

Resolution 2016-33, to Amend Section 6 of Tribal Membership Act, Leslie Fall-Leaf led discussion regarding the reasons for the resolution. Ms. Holley made the motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Shea. Discussion. Motion passed 5 yes.

Resolution 2016-34, to Support Repatriation of Carlisle Indian Industrial School Children to Their Respective Tribal Nations, was read and a motion was made by Ms. Holley, seconded by Ms. Shea and passed 5 yes.

Ms. Holley was unable to proceed under this category so she announced she provided printouts for each council member for review regarding her subject.

Mr. Young made the motion to Adjourn, seconded by Ms. Shea. All in favor. Adjourned 8:04pm