

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2017

Taken by Charles Randall

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 5:39 PM. Joe Brooks was asked to lead in prayer and Chief led the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Charles Randall called roll, present were Chief Chet Brooks, Assistant Chief Bonnie Jo Griffith, Treasurer Benita Shea, Secretary Charles Randall, Member Nathan Young IV, Member Nicky Michael and Member Joe Brooks. All Council members were present and we had a quorum.

Chief Chester Brooks welcomed our guests and asked if anyone wished to address the Council. Guests and employees present were Ronda Williams, Anita Mathis, Jean Lewis, Allan Barnes, Ron Scott, Jason Jones, John Thomas, Carolyn Rowe, Steve Rowe, Jim Grinter, Mary Randall, Carson Virden, Dana Murrell and CeCe Biggoose. John Thomas addressed the Council with questions on information that was confidential and could not be discussed, also status and information on NAGPRA. The Chief, Nathan Young IV and Joe Brooks gave an update on the meeting in Oklahoma City with Directors from six museums present. Four had no problem recovering our ancestors from Abbott Farm for reburial, two wanted more information on our ancestors 12 to 13 thousand years ago. Our response was that if there were any other tribes or people there before us, could anyone prove that. There is still a lot of work to be done to consolidate those collections of the remains.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of Resolution 2017-04, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Charles Randall. Joe Brooks requested the reason which was Personnel. All approved. At 7:10 PM Chief Chet Brooks called the Council Meeting back to order.

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Chief Chester Brooks asked if there were any correction or additions to the minutes. Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Nathan Young IV. Vote was 6 yes, 1 abstention (Nicky Michael). Motion passed.

Unfinished Business:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to disband the Personnel Committee. It was noted that the Committee had been formed by a resolution. Bonnie Jo Griffith amended her motion to include that if the Committee was established by resolution, she would write a new resolution to override the resolution that formed the Personnel Committee. Motion and amendment seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Reports:

Tribal Manager Allan Barnes announced the resignation of Mary Randall Director of Elder Nutrition and Dana Murrell Director of Human Resources. Both were given a standing ovation for the service they have provided. Angela Krebs, who recently left, was given a hand for her services. Allan also announced an all staff meeting for January 18th. He asked the Council's help with the building renovation project, especially acting on the roof decision quickly. He mentioned that Tahkox e2 LLC also offered a solution for the roof and would have figures by the end of the week. He suggested making a permanent agenda item for future department changes or policy revisions so they could be discussed and approved or denied.

Housing Director Ron Scott discussed policy changes for the Housing Department. He wants us to consider having separate policies, one for tenants and one for home owners. There was concerns that resolutions passed two years ago have not been incorporated into the manual. A motion was passed at the last Council Meeting that the changes be incorporated by this meeting.

New Business:

Benita Shea noted that Financials were not on the agenda. Joe Brooks made the motion to approve the Financials pending audit. Seconded by Nicky Michael. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to pass Resolution 2017-03 declaring the Tribes position concerning reenactments and portrayals of our Tribal History. Motion seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to pass Resolution 2017-04 approving settlement regarding the claims of the Tribe in *Delaware Tribe of Indians V. United States*, No. 02-261. Motion seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Nathan Young IV made the motion to pay retroactively Jim Rementer's per diem for attending the NAGPRA meeting held in Oklahoma City from the 106 funds. Motion seconded by Nicky Michael. Motion passed 6 yes 1 abstention (Chief Chester Brooks).

Nathan Young IV made the motion for Chief Chester Brooks to attend an FCC Workshop in California on February 1st affecting 106 funds since Brice Obermeyer will not be able to attend. Motion seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion passed 6 yes 1 abstention (Chief Chester Brooks).

Nathan Young IV noted that the Enrollment Committee plans to submit a Resolution to clarify our Enrollment and Disenrollment Acts concerning Due Process and is giving notice as required by Roberts Rules of Order to amend a resolution.

Bonnie Jo Griffith gave an update on a squatter set up in a ravine on Delaware property. A sign was placed on the structure giving notice to vacate. Mike Taylor will remove the structure January 18th.

Joe Brooks made the motion to have Child Care, within the next two weeks, smooth out the ravine as this was created when fill dirt was excavated for the Child Care facilities. Motion seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion that we have a policy that if Bartlesville Schools close due to weather conditions that our Tribal Offices will be closed. Motion seconded by Nicky Michael. Motion passed 5 approved, 1 abstained (Benita Shea), 1 no (Bonnie Jo Griffith).

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Nicky Michael. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Approved