

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2017

Taken by Charles Randall

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Joe Brooks was asked to pray 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, Member Nathan Young IV and Secretary Charles Randall. Member Nicky Michael was absent.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Nathan Young IV. Motion passed 6 yes.

Chief Brooks welcomed the guests. Guests and employees present were Jean Lewis, Ronda Williams, Mary Randall, Allan Barnes, CeCe Biggoose, Kay Anderson, Bonnie Thaxton and John Thomas. Chief Brooks asked if anyone would like to address the council. No one did.

Benita Shea made the motion to go into Executive Session at 5:40 PM, seconded by Charles Randall. Motion passed 6 yes. At 6:06 PM Chief Chet Brooks called the Council back to order with no action to be taken on items discussed in Executive Session.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2016 meeting with corrections and addition of action on Oklahoma City trip for the repatriation meeting, seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. Motion passed 5 yes 1 abstention (Benita Shea).

Unfinished Business:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion that the Housing Policy Resolution 2016-59 which had been tabled until the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting be taken off the table and dismissed because it was supposed to be changes to the Housing Policy and it was not. It was a complete new policy written by a lawyer that could not be compared to the current policy. Motion seconded by Charles Randall. Motion passed 6 yes.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion that the amendments passed in 2015 be made to the Housing Policy before the next meeting with no need for an Attorney to make the changes. Motion seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion passed 6 yes.

Charles Randall made the motion that expenses be paid for Bonnie Jo Griffith to go to the NCAI meeting in his place. Motion seconded by Nathan Young IV. Motion passed 6 yes.

Charles Randall made the motion to send Bonnie Jo Griffith and Benita Shea to the REZ meeting as discussed in the last Council Meeting. Motion seconded by Nathan Young IV. Motion passed 6 yes.

Reports:

Tribal Manager Allen Barnes deferred reports to the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Bonnie Jo Griffith reported that there had been mentioned on social media of some law that states the Delaware Tribe of Indians must have a committee for NAGPRA. Nowhere does it mention that we have to appoint a committee. It relates to the Secretary of Interior, not the Secretary of the Indian Tribes. Bonnie Jo Griffith just wanted to clear that up in case Tribal members read that and believed it.

New Business:

Charles Randall made the motion to approve Resolution 2017-01 for enrollment of 12 new applicants. It was noted that the resolution was absent of a title. Bonnie Jo Griffith seconded the motion with the correction of the title. Motion passed 6 yes.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve Resolution 2017-02 Climate Change Grant with the addition of a title. Motion seconded by Benita Shea. Motion passed 6 yes.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to give Charles Randall authority to work with Greg Brown and have access to make entries on the Tribal website to help keep the Site up to date. Motion seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion passed 6 yes.

Bonnie Jo Griffith mentioned that we have received an invoice from the Indian Chamber of Commerce for \$560.00 for membership. Nathan Young IV will look into it and report back whether it looks like something we want to pursue.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to pay the annual NCAI dues. Seconded by Benita Shea. Motion passed 6 yes.

Joe Brooks made the motion that because of precedence we not allow a waiver to the Personnel Policy Sec III, part F to allow the Delaware Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Director Brice Obermeyer to hire his son temporarily. Seconded by Benita Shea. Motion passed 6 yes.

Chief Chet Brooks made the motion to pay Jim Rementer's way to the conference being hosted by the Delaware Nation in Oklahoma City on repatriation. Motion died for lack of a second.

Chief Chet Brooks made the motion to pay Nicky Michael's airfare to the conference being hosted by the Delaware Nation in Oklahoma City on repatriation. Motion died for lack of a second.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Nate Young IV. All approved.