

Delaware Trust Board
Delaware Tribe of Indians
Monday, September 22, 2008

The Trust Board of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, September 22, 2008 in Forsythe Hall of the Delaware Tribe Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Raymond M. Cline. Members present at roll call included Verna Crawford, Raymond Cline, Doyle Hayes, Anita Lewis-Davis, Wayne Stull. Absent was Bill Hatch and Jenifer Pechonick. Present in the audience was Jan Brown. Donna Adams arrived at 6:05 p.m. Tribal employees present were Marilyn Cole and Earnest Tiger. Invocation was given by Earnest Tiger.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. **Motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2008 meeting with corrections was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Treasurer's report was given by Verna Crawford. She stated that there is a change of \$3,781.57 in funds. Discussion of report followed. **Motion to approve the report pending audit was made by Anita Lewis, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Reports:

Community services was given by Raymond Cline. He stated that the committee is continuing to receive applications. Those who qualify are approved and those who do not are referred to outside agencies for assistance. The committee approved their proposed 2009 budget.

Education was given by Verna Crawford. She stated that the committee had met and approved scholarships for those who met program guidelines and submitted complete applications. Also approved were athletic, educational assistance and school supply voucher. A total of 10 higher education scholarships, 5 education assistance, 3 athletic assistance and 1 school supply voucher was approved. The committee also approved the 2009 budget.

Land Management was given by Anita Lewis. She stated that the committee has not met. She questioned about the air conditioning units at the community center. Doyle Hayes stated that the units have been serviced and that one needs to be replaced. Bids should be gotten for this.

Economic Development was given by Wayne Stull and Earnest Tiger. Earnest stated that there has been a lot of progress done on the financing package for the Dewey Project. The sign has been installed announcing the project and the DEA board has authorized an additional sign to be installed. The architect will be releasing this information tomorrow and that Barking Dog in Dewey will be making the additional sign. They will be installed for better visibility at the location. He also stated that an additional bank has indicated interest in the project. Regent Bank of Stillwater wants to work with the tribe on all our upcoming projects. They have assigned Mr. John Myers of the Nowata branch to work with us. Mr. Myers has worked with the USDA on other loan applications and is very knowledgeable of the process. At this time we have not heard about the release of our Judgement funds, it might be possible to use a letter to leverage our portion of the down payment. Discussion

followed.

Cultural Preservation was given by Anita Lewis. She stated that classes are going well. She stated that Delaware Day was a success. Jess Townsend was honored as a tribal elder and veteran. She also stated that Eagle Ridge has been mowed and that they are currently looking for the original lease that spelled out the easement to this property.

Tribal Operations and Reinvestment budgets have been approved.

Old Business

Wayne Stull stated that the line items of committee budgets can be changed and the amounts are not carved in stone. All the proposed budgets had been mailed and emailed to all committees for approval. Doyle stated that Anne Swearingin did a good job on this. **Motion to approve the Proposed 2009 Budget was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Anita Lewis.** Discussion that this is a proposed budget. **Motion carried with all in favor.**

New Business

Wayne stated that he has done a poll vote of his committee to allow Earnest Tiger to attend NCAI in Phoenix. Discussion followed. **Motion to allow Earnest Tiger to attend NCAI was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Doyle Hayes. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Discussion of the proposed Trust Board proposed 2009 budget on the upcoming election ballot. The budget will be put in the October 2008 election edition of the DIN. **Motion to add the proposed 2009 Trust Board budget to the ballot (there will be no extra charge) was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Doyle Hayes. Discussion that this is a yes/no vote and that the budget will be printed in the DIN. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Discussion that Mr. Hatch had driven down for the meeting scheduled on September 8th but unfortunately the meeting was canceled. **Motion to give excused absences to both Jenifer and Bill was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Discussion of the locations for the next meetings was held. Anita stated her case for having them in Bartlesville. **Motion to have the next 6 meetings in Bartlesville was made by Anita Lewis, seconded by Wayne Stull. 3 no, Verna, Doyle, Raymond (tie Breaker) and 2 yes, Anita and Wayne. Motion fail.** The next meeting will be in Nowata.

Raymond extended an offer to serve lunch for Earnest and his meeting with Regent Bank at the Glass Mansion. He requested a 2 day notice.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor.