Delaware Tribe of Indians Tribal Council Meeting Monday February 2, 2009 East Room Nowata Public Library Nowata OK

The Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, February 2, 2009 in the East Room of the Nowata Public Library. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chief Jerry Douglas. Members present at roll call included Chief Douglas, Annette Ketchum, Chet Brooks, Raymond Cline, Bill Hatch and Verna Crawford. Absent was Wayne Stull.

Present in the audience were Doyle Hayes, Jenifer Pechonick, Titus Frenchman, Karen Barnes and Gloria Hatch. Tribal employees Marilyn Cole and Earnest Tiger were also present. Invocation was given by Earnest Tiger.

Guests were welcomed by the Chief and invited to speak. Titus Frenchman gave a report on the recent meeting of the elder committee. He stated that he has been elected as the committee chair and will be giving a regular report to the council. The committee is planning on having a celebration in March and invites all to attend.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's report was given by Raymond Cline. He stated that we have received the first quarter fuel tax funds in the amount of \$34,348. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report pending audit was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Bill Hatch. Discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Unfinished business included the tribe's need for the small office currently used by the cultural preservation committee in the community center for office expansion. The change will be made March 1.

Reports are in the packets. Marilyn requested authorization for the purchase of and how many, new tribal flags, she stated that the more flags ordered the less the price each. Raymond Cline asked for one to be ordered for him personally, that he will pay for. Motion to order a total of five, four for the tribe and one for Raymond Cline was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with all in favor.

(Annette Ketchum left the meeting early for personal reasons)

Federal Update report was given by Chief Douglas. He stated that he, Wayne Stull and members of his federal recognition team have meetings in Washington DC next week, February 9-13. A meeting with George Skibine and others are scheduled on Monday and more scheduled throughout the week. The 90 day time line for the secretarial election was discussed at length.

Chief Douglas gave a report on the elder units. He stated that the Housing Authority has agreed to a lease of the units. This is being worked on and should be done by the Housing Authority's

meeting next Tuesday, February 10.

New Business discussion began with the need to place a time limit on claims for mileage and expenses claimed by elected officials and staff. Motion to limit submission of mileage and expense claims to 90 days was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor.

The 2009 Holiday and meeting schedule was reviewed. Motion to approve the Holiday/Meeting schedule was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Verna Crawford. Discussion followed. Martin Luther King, Presidents Day and Columbus Day will be replaced by Native American Day. Motion carried with all in favor.

Discussion of the email received concerning the Delaware Grand Council. Motion to remove current Delaware Grand Council representatives Dee Ketchum, Mike Pace and Curtis Zunigha, previous Delaware Tribal Council members and replace them with Chief Douglas, Wayne Stull and Verna Crawford was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Bill Hatch. Further discussion followed as to what, who and where the Grand Council is. The Grand Council is a committee/organization composed of the Delaware Tribe, the Delaware Nation (in Anadarko, Ok) and the Delaware's, located in Canada. Motion carried with all in favor. Jerry and Verna abstain from vote. A letter will be sent to Linda Poolaw informing her of the new representatives. Current status of the Grand Council and its activities will be confirmed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Verna Crawford. Motion carried with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.