Delaware Tribe of Indians Tribal Council Meeting Monday, March 2, 2009

The Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, March 2, 2009 in the East Room of the Nowata Public Library, Nowata Oklahoma. The meeting was called to order by Chief Jerry Douglas at 7:15 p.m. Members present at roll call included Chief Douglas, Annette Ketchum, Chet Brooks, Wayne Stull, Raymond Cline, Bill Hatch and Verna Crawford. Present in the audience were Paula Pechonick, Jenifer Pechonick and Gloria Hatch. Tribal employee's Mary Jo Peterson, Marilyn Cole, Earnest Tiger and Tribal Attorney Vicki Sousa were also present. Invocation was given by Earnest Tiger. Guests were welcomed by Chief Douglas. Jenifer Pechonick read a letter from Dee Ketchum regarding the Grand Council. Annette stated she has not received anything new from Sharon regarding this.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes with corrections was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Bill Hatch. Corrections are second-page replace Raymond Cline with Verna Crawford as appointment to the Grand Council. Motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurers' report was given by Raymond M Cline. He discussed the BIA funds and the amounts they owed us and we owed them. Discussion of this followed at length. He then stated that we are preparing for tribal audits. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report pending audit was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with all in favor.

Unfinished Business: None.

Reports:

Annette stated she has all documents on the Grand Council for review.

A resolution approving new tribal members was read by Marilyn Cole. Motion to approve the resolution 2009-03 for new tribal members was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Wayne Stull. Motion carried with all in favor.

Federal Recognition Report was given by Chief Douglas. He stated that the trip to Washington, D.C. was a success. Meetings were held with the BIA officials in their offices. He reviewed the discussions with them regarding the problems we are having with the local area office and that the time line for the calling of the secretarial election started on December 22, 2008 which means Muskogee has to call the election on March 22, 2009.

Housing Update was given by Chief Douglas. He stated that the Housing Authority is willing to manage the elder units instead of leasing them. The Housing Authority will meet March 10 and he is attending the meeting. Chet Brooks is the new tenant for the vacant unit. Discussion of this followed with Annette stating she had called the CNO, Housing Authority and Wayne Sims.

Annette stated that the elder nutrition program has had two unsigned complaints sent to the Cherokee Nation. These were concerned with cleanliness of the kitchen. It was stated that all complaints have to be investigated even if there is no merit.

Mary Jo then gave an update of the Lenape Foundation and stated we need to update the members to reflect the current council. Motion to approve Resolution 2009-4 for the submission of an ANA grant was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion was amended to make the same as the Trust Board resolution in the amount of \$10,000 in kind. Motion then carried with all in favor.

The City of Bartlesville wants to put a water tower on the north end of the north forty acres. They have met with the office twice. Motion to table this until Mike Hall can give the council more details was made by Bill Hatch, seconded by Raymond Cline. Motion carried with all in favor.

Chet Brooks gifted the tribe with a 10' by 8' American Flag. He was thanked for the gift by council members.

Discussion of recent vandalism at the tribal headquarters was held. Motion to authorize the installation of security cameras was made by Verna Crawford, seconded by Bill Hatch. Motion carried with all in favor. Three bids will be obtained.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Bill Hatch. Motion carried with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Lenape Native American Foundation Inc. was called to order at 8:11 p.m. Motion to approve the resolution restating the articles and members was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Bill Hatch. Motion carried with all in favor. Motion to approve Resolution 2009-01 was made by Raymond Cline, seconded by Bill Hatch. Motion carried with all in favor. Meeting then adjourned.