Delaware Tribe of Indians Tribal Council Monday, December 7, 2009

The Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians met Monday, December 7, 2009 in the Genealogy Room of the Nowata Public Library. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chief Jerry Douglas. Members present at the meeting included Chief Douglas, Bill Hatch, Wayne Stull and Chet Brooks. Absent were Raymond Cline and Verna Crawford with medical appointments and Annette Ketchum who was attending a funeral. Guests in the audience included Nate Young, his son and Doyle Hayes. Tribal employees' Mary Jo Peterson, Marilyn Cole and Earnest Tiger were present as was Tribal Attorney Vicki Sousa.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes with corrections was made by Chet Brooks, seconded by Wayne Stull. No corrections. Motion then carried with all in favor. Chief Douglas abstain.

Treasurers' report was reviewed by Mary Jo Peterson. She provided a narrative report on the tribes funds to the members. She is working on an approved indirect cost rate proposal.

Unfinished business - none.

Reports

New tribal members were read for council approval. Motion to approve resolution 2009-20 approving tribal members was made by Wayne Stull, seconded by Chet Brooks. Motion carried with all in favor.

An offer by Nicky Michael and Jenifer Pechonick to write for grants for the tribe was reviewed. Any fees for writing would need to be included in the grant application and grants would need to be approved by the council prior to being written.

The recent poll vote taken on December 2, 2009 was read into the minutes. To approve the legislative bill as submitted 11/24/09 with the understanding that in the event problems arise resulting in amendments/restrictions thereto, the bill will be pulled. Yes, Chief, Wayne, Raymond, Verna. No, Annette, Chet, Bill.

Vicki Sousa discussed the bill contents and the discussions with Sullivan and Coburns office and the time schedule and procedures of the bill submission. Lengthy discussion followed. The consensus to have congress approve the bill is to give our recognition more solidarity if the tribe proceeds into gaming ventures. Further discussion followed.

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.