Tribal Council Meeting Minutes June 10, 2013

The Chief called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm. Councilwoman Annette Ketchum prayed. Present: Chief Pechonick, Assistant Chief Chet Brooks, Jenifer Pechonick, Annette Ketchum, Janifer Brown and Verna Crawford. Nathan Young was absent due to illness.

Guests: Curtis Zunigha, Charles and Mary Randall, Bruce Martin, Jana Roth, Jean Lewis, Leslie Fall-Leaf, Ben Plemmons, Gina Carrigan-St. Clair, Jo Griffith, Don and Priscilla Mason and John Chapman Young.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. 2nd Verna Crawford. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve the minutes May 6, 2013 with corrections. 2nd Chet Brooks. 5 yes, 1 abstain (Janifer Brown, absent for meeting).

Janifer Brown made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report pending audit. 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made mention the Trust Fund is up \$60k due to the market.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to approve the reports in packet, 2nd Jenifer Pechonick. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve a 25% increase in the consultation fees for Brice's department to \$250 per historic consultation. 2nd Janifer Brown. Discussion: the Tribal Council discussed what other Tribes are charging. Curtis discussed how some of the funds are spent. Motion passed all in favor.

Unfinished Business:

Leslie Fall-Leaf reported on the enrollment backlog and recent training. In the last month 148 updates, 92 cards (which may not be accurate due to printer jams), 67 affidavits of membership, 3 BIA 44-32 forms, 59 profile forms. The backlog is still 103, with 31 new ones last month. Priority is to get new people in and scan documents later. The 2nd seat for progeny has been purchased.

Ratification of Poll Vote:

A poll vote was conducted May 30, 2013 for Resolution 2013-27 to Contract with a Tribal Judge for the Tribal Child Support Enforcement Program. Verna Crawford made the motion to work on codes, 2nd Chet Brooks to ratify the poll vote. Motion passed all in favor.

Jenifer Pechonick made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-28 To Amend the Delaware Tribal Membership Act. 2nd Janifer Brown. Discussion: the resolution moves Section 13 to 14 and Section 14 to 15. Motion passed all in favor.

Annette Ketchum made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-29, to Amend the Delaware Tribal Membership Act, Changes Section 12 to Section 13 Ineligible Tribal Member Removal Procedures. 2nd Verna Crawford. Discussion: the provision allows for removal of tribal membership in the event of mistaken identity or deliberately false information as well as due process for applicants.

Jana Roth presented information regarding a planning grant for a Tribal charter school.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-30, Establish Tribal Education Department, 2nd Chet Brooks. Motion passed all in favor. Discussion: Curtis Zunigha said the challenge will be for the Trust Education Committee to work with the Tribal Council.

Verna Crawford said that we are holding consideration of Resolution 2013-31 until a later date.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-32 Chief Financial Officer and Director of Human Resources will fall under the supervision of the Chief. 2nd Annette Ketchum. Discussion: The Tribal Council feels the changes of the organizational chart are necessary to help the flow of information.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-33 Remove Title 25 and Title 19 and any resolutions pertaining to these. 2nd Janifer Brown. Discussion: these titles pertain to the job descriptions and personnel policy mandated into law in 1983 per the Tribal Codes. Motion passed all in favor.

Verna Crawford made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-34 NCAI Delegate and Alternate. 2nd Annette Ketchum. Discussion: resolution is required by NCAI to designate the representative and alternates. Motion passed all in favor.

Chief Pechonick welcomed Gina Carrigan-St. Clair back as our Tribal attorney.

Don Mason, Chief Justice, reported on Sovereignty Symposium. He said there is money for law enforcement. Local and State law enforcement is interested in partnering with Indian tribes. ICWA and Economic Development were hot issues. Don also discussed instituting criminal codes and enforcement with which to enforce the codes in the future. Don also applauded establishment of the Education Department. Don mentioned the meeting this afternoon on behalf of Child Support Enforcement.

Verna Crawford said that she, Curtis Zunigha and Chet Brooks attended the Office of Trust Fund Management reform. She said on Friday Curtis Zunigha gave a verbal outline of our situation and she and Chet commended Curtis's presentation. Chet Brooks said one of the commissioners pledged to help us.

Curtis Zunigha reminded everyone the DIN deadline is June 15.

Meeting adjorned at 6:07 pm.