

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2018

The January 16, 2018 meeting was rescheduled due to weather

Taken by Charles Randall

Call to Order by the Chief:

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 5:37 PM.

Prayer:

Joe Brooks was asked to lead us in prayer and Chief Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Secretary Charles Randall called roll; present were Chief Chester Brooks, Assistant Chief Bonnie Jo Griffith, Secretary Charles Randall, Treasurer Benita Shea and Member Joe Brooks and Member Nathan Young IV. Member Nicky Michael was absent. Six Council Members were present and we had a quorum.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Benita Shea. All approved.

Chief Chester Brooks welcomed all our tribal members and guests

Charles Randall made the motion to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved and the Council went into Executive Session at 5:42 PM.

Chief Chester Brooks called the Council Meeting back to order at 7:10 PM.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve the personnel changes recommended during Executive Session, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve the Minutes of December 19, 2017 as written, seconded by Nathan Young IV. The motion passed 5 yes, 1 abstention (Benita Shea).

Unfinished Business:

Bonnie Jo Griffith requested that the results of a poll vote to have Chief Chet Brooks and Council Member Joe Brooks to travel to Washington DC January 17, 2018 to attend the retirement party for Barbara Cohen be entered into the minutes. The poll vote passed 5 yes, 2 abstentions (Chief Chester Brooks and Joe Brooks).

The Chief noted that Barbara spent over thirty years in Federal Government Service. The first ten years were for the United States Department of the Treasury, and the last twenty five or more years were for the United States Department of the Interior as Solicitor.

Approximately 40% of her time was spent helping our Tribe obtain our recognition. The Delaware Tribe of Indians was the only Tribe invited. The reason was that she considered our recognition the highlight of her career. She was presented with a Pendleton Blanket from the Tribe.

Reports:

Charles Randall made the motion to approve the financials for December 2017 pending audit, seconded by Benita Shea. All approved.

New Business:

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve Resolution 2018-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO APPROVE TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP FOR JANUARY 16, , after the date of Certification has been corrected from 2017 to 2018, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve Resolution 2018-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS ENDORSING THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND THE REPATRIATION OF DELAWARE ANCESTORS AND CULTURAL PROPERTIES FROM EUROPE, after the date of Certification has been corrected from 2017 to 2018, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to approve the Domestic Codes presented by Aimee Turner so she can begin legally using the new codes and that a resolution will be prepared for the February 20, 2018 Council Meeting, seconded by Charles Randall. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion for Bonnie Jo Griffith and Nathan Young IV to attend the NCAI Winter Meeting in Washington, DC and that we pay their annual Tribal membership dues, registration, travel, and per diem, seconded by Charles Randall. Motion passed 4 yes, 2 abstentions (Bonnie Jo Griffith and Nathan Young IV).

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to transfer \$20,000.00 from the contingency fund to ATG to cover increased cost of the DIN, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith noted that there was deterioration of the walls in the kitchen in the dishwasher area that needs attention.

Bonnie Jo Griffith announced the new Director of our EPA Program is Allan Barnes.

Joe Brooks noted that there are many Delaware on our Enrollment list that are deceased. Joe Brooks made the motion that the Enrollment Department put a letter in the next DIN urging all families of deceased Delaware to please send in a copy of their Death Certificate, seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. All approved.

Bonnie Jo Griffith wanted to let everyone know that we are working on legislation to protect the \$2,435,000.00 settlement money we received. This will be done as soon as the attorney fees are paid. The settlement money will only be able to be accessed in the event of an **extreme** crisis and will be invested to generate revenue to benefit the Tribe.

Adjournment:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Charles Randall. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.

Attested by: Charles Randall, Secretary

Approved