

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2019

Taken by Charles Randall

Call to Order by the Chief:

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 2:12 PM.

Prayer:

Joe Brooks was asked to give the invocation.

Roll Call:

Assistant Chief Charles Randall called roll; present were Chief Chester Brooks, Assistant Chief Charles Randall, Treasurer Joe Brooks, Member Nicky Michael, Member Jeremy Johnson and Member Brad Kills Crow. Secretary Nathan Young IV was absent. Six Council members were present and we had a quorum.

Jeremy Johnson made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Charles Randall. All approved.

Chief Chester Brooks welcomed our guests and asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Council. Kay Anderson commented that a long time ago we had a Delaware Tribal Princess, but it had been discontinued by Chief Jerry Douglas. Chief Chester Brooks said we would consider reinstating a Delaware Tribal Princess during New Business and thanked Kay for bringing it up.

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

The December 15, 2018 minutes were approved in January with amendments. corrected copy was distributed to verify corrections. Joe Brooks noted that the correction to be made was in the motion to revise the Tribal Procurement Policies and should read to limit purchases by the Chief and Tribal Operations Manager from \$25,000.00 to \$5,000.00 and Directors of programs from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00, with anything over \$5,000.00 going to the bid process and anything over \$10,000.00 going to the sealed bid process. This correction needs to be made by the Tribal Secretary to the December minutes.

Chief Chester Brooks asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 19, 2019 minutes. Charles Randall made the motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Brad Kills Crow. All approved.

Unfinished Business:

Charles Randall noted that in January, we failed to read a number of Poll Votes into the minutes and read the following for the record.

December 19, 2018 Poll Vote to close the Tribal Offices on December 31 for New Years was approved.

December 20, 2018 Poll Vote to allow Jean Lewis computer access to assist Leslie in preparing for the Audit was approved.

December 26, 2018 Poll Vote to loan \$18,664.00 to Tahkox until a Manager is named to pay outstanding invoice from Guy Engineering was approved. Funds are available in the Tahkox account but cannot be accessed until a Manager is in place.

Charles Randall made the motion to accept the three Poll Votes into the minutes, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Joe Brooks clarified where we stood on the Tribal Education Fund and noted that it was listed under Lenape Native American Foundation, fund number 299 on the Financials with a balance of \$4,976.00.

Chief Chester Brooks noted that the Trust had frozen the budget other than roll over money for this year because it had lost \$45,000.00 more than it had earned the year before. Since the Trust Fund made \$205,000.00 in January, the Council recommends that the Trust Board reconsider the budget for 2019.

Nicky Michael noted that the Cherokee Nation receives scholarship money based on counts of the Delaware Tribal members and that we should ask the Cherokee Nation that we have our own 638 Scholarship Fund. Chief Chester Brooks will approach Chief Baker on this and for Title VI money as a majority of the participants in our program are Cherokee.

Reports:

Joe Brooks reported that the balance in Cash and Checking Accounts was \$3,119,238.13 a reduction of \$90,990.86, Investments Accounts \$2,142,643.46 an increase of \$5,895.27, Tribal Program Income and Expenses remaining balance of \$1,991,347, Federal Program Income and Expense remaining balance of \$1,889,197.51.

Charles Randall made the motion to approve the January 2019 Financials pending audit, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Brad Kills Crow asked if we shouldn't be receiving a monthly report from Child Care and Joe Brooks asked if the letter had been written to Child Care requesting their salaries, leases, deeds to the properties.

Joe Brooks made the motion that we have the Chief Chester Brooks write the letter to Sherri Ratcliff requesting the above information and asking for monthly reports. It should be noted that we expect a response within 15 days, motion seconded by Nicki Michael. All approved.

New Business:

Joe Brooks made the motion to reinstate the Delaware Tribal Princess. The candidates are to write an essay on heritage, family or something to do with the Delaware Tribe. The

Princess will be selected by the Delaware Council and be crowned each year during Delaware Days beginning this year, motion was seconded by Charles Randall. All approved with a budget to be established later.

Nicky Michael made the suggestion that we could also recognize a young Delaware man as a Brave.

Jeremy Johnson made the motion to table the Policy and Procedures until the next meeting, seconded by Charles Randall. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO PARTICIPATE IN NATION-WIDE ELDER NEEDS ASSESSMENT, seconded by Jeremy Johnson. All approved.

Charles Randall made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-04 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO APPLY FOR TITLE VI GRANT FOR ELDER NUTRITION SERVICES, OLDER AMERICAN ACT, PART A,B&C, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-05 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO ESTABLISH SIGNATURE AUTHORITY ON BIA FORMS 4432, EAGLE PARTS APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS OF WHICH CERTIFICATION OF TRIBAL ENROLLMENT, MEMBERSHIP OR BLOOD QUANTUM IS REQUIRED with the amendment to be signed only by the Chief or Assistant Chief in the Chief's absence after verifying enrollment, removing specific names from the Resolution motion was seconded by Jeremy Johnson. All approved.

Charles Randall made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-06 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO APPROVE TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP FOR February 11, 2019, seconded by Jeremy Johnson. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-07 A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO ASSIGN NEW ENROLLMENT NUMBER TO MEMBER, seconded by Brad Kills Crow. All approved.

Executive Session:

Joe Brooks made the motion to go into Executive Session for personnel issues, seconded by Charles Randall. All approved and the Council went into Executive Session at 3:17 PM. Chief Chester Brooks called the Council Meeting back to order at 3:35 PM. No action or votes were taken.

Adjournment:

Charles Randall made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Brooks. All approved.


Attested by: Assistant Chief Charles Randall,

