## **DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS**

# <u>Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of February 15, 2020</u>

### Call to Order by the Chief:

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 2:04 pm.

#### Prayer:

Joe Brooks was asked to give the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Chester Brooks.

## Roll Call:

Roll was called; present were Chief Chester Brooks, Assistant Chief Charles Randall, Secretary Nathan Young IV Treasurer Joe Brooks, Member Nicky Michael, Member Jeremy Johnson and Member Brad Kills Crow. All members were present and a quorum was seated.

Assistant Chief Charles Randall moved to approve the agenda and member Jeremy Johnson seconded. Vote was 5 yes 1 no (Nathan Young IV) and 0 abstention.

Chief Brooks asked for a show of hands from Tribal members present needing an Executive Session and 6 were identified.

Chief Brooks recognized Bonnie Jo Griffith and she asked about the Family and Children Services budget and grant monies, whether the child Development 477 funds had been drawn down and a discussion was held. During the discussion Chief Brooks asked that copies of documents being read from be handed out to all present who wanted a copy.

Sarah Boyd was recognized by Chief Brooks and she read a statement from Crystal Dombrovski regarding the Title VI Policy and Procedures of Forsyth Hall and the kitchen area. Council member Jeremy Johnson addressed the statement and agreed there needed to be some more work and discussion on the situation.

Assistant Chief Charles Randall addressed the audience at the meeting stating the Tribal Council was glad to see so many tribal members attending. He also stated that social media was not the best forum to air and try to work out tribal problems. Joe Brooks stated that William Forsyth gave funds to build the kitchen and meeting area and that Title VI did not exist at that time. Nicky Michael read the grant language stating the purpose and use of Forsyth Hall. There was also a comment from Bonnie Jo Griffith regarding the cleanliness of the hall.

Chief Brooks recognized Curtis Zunigha and he announced the Stomp Dance on March 14, 2020 at 6 pm. He also stated he is glad that the Tribal Council is working on strategic planning and he was available for input. He also reminded the audience that the Town Hall meeting was moved to 2 pm on March 14, 2020.

Archie Elvington was recognized by Chief Brooks and made a statement about The Title VI grant being used to build the existing kitchen and that actually made use kitchen by Title VI only.

Chief Brooks recognized Benita Shea who commented that there was a need for a community kitchen and this problem to tribal council and the tribal operations manager to solve this need.

Chief Brooks recognized Roger Stewart who introduced Jared Martin who spoke to the Tribal Council about the Delaware Tribe becoming involved in cannabis growing. His proposal involved an initial investment by the tribe of \$8,000.

Bonnie Jo Griffith requested copies of Department reports and a discussion ensued. Joe Brooks stated paper copies would bear a cost per pages. Jeremy Johnson offered to upload copies to website.

Chief Brooks then stated that the agenda would be completed and the Tribal Council would then go to Executive Session.

## Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Jeremy Johnson made the motion to approve the minutes for January 18, 2020, motion was seconded by Nathan Young IV. Vote was 5 yes 1 no and 1 abstention.

### **Unfinished Business:**

A motion to approved Resolution 2020-03 regarding the Assumption of State Historical Preservation Office Functions was made by Nathan Young IV and seconded by Jeremy Johnson. All approved.

## Reports:

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve January 2020 financials, Charles Randall seconded. All approved

#### **New Business:**

Foreman Contract Dispute is in regard to what is still owed for construction and remodel of building per contractor Kenny Foreman. Kenny Foreman stated that he is not wanting to make trouble he just wants to be paid for the work that was done in remodel of tribal offices. Joe Brooks as treasurer would like to see copies of all billing statements. Bonnie Jo Griffith stated that as she was on Tribal Council at the time of this remodel she would like to be part of the discussion. Following a lengthy discussion on whether to into Executive Session on the matter, Joe Brooks made a motion to table the discussion and to resume it in Executive Session, Jeremy Johnson seconded the motion and all approved.

Nathan Young IV stepped down as Secretary due to outside commitments and scheduling. Chief Brooks then asked for a volunteer to replace councilmember Young and after the discussion, Chief Brooks volunteered Administrative Assistant Charla Mann to transcribe the meeting and compose the minutes.

Jeremy Johnson made the motion to approved Resolution 2020-04 Forsythe Hall Rental Policy and Procedures and Nicky Michael seconded and after discussion all approved tabling the resolution.

Joe Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-05 Enrollment and Charles Randall seconded. All approved.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2020-06 to Amend Procurement Policy and Procedures, Jeremy Johnson seconded motion. There was a point of order called by Nathan Young IV that to amend policies and procedures there must be an announcement made at a meeting a month prior to the resolution. It was pointed out that there had been a movement that the policies and procedures be amended in January meeting by Joe Brooks. After further discussion a vote was called for. Vote passed 6 yes, 1 no (Nathan Young IV) and 0 abstentions.

## **Executive Session:**

Nathan Young IV made the motion that the council adjourn to Executive session and Brad Kills Crow seconded. All approved. Tribal Council adjourned to Executive Session at 4:10 pm.

Tribal Council was called back into session by Chief Brooks at 7:52 pm.

A motion was made by Jeremy Johnson and seconded by Joe Brooks that two employees would be written up based on decision made in Executive Session. All approved.

#### Adjournment:

Jeremy Johnson made a motion to adjourn and Nicky Michael seconded. All approved.

Following the adjournment a statement was made by the tribal operations manager Joe Exendine. Nathan Young III called for point of order saying the statement made was out of order.

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