

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2020

Call to Order by the Chief:

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 2:25 pm.

Prayer:

Chief Chet Brooks gave the invocation and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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. A quorum was present and seated.

Chief Brooks asked the Council to entertain a motion to amend the agenda to allow Chief Justice Rick Barnes to present Changes to the amendment of the Constitution of The Delaware Tribe of Indians that pertains to the Tribal Court. Assistant Chief Charles Randall made the motion to amend the meeting agenda and council member Jeremy Johnson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous with 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstention to amend the agenda.

Chief Brooks asked the members of the audience to please put on a mask and a motion by Joe Brooks was made to have Tribal Operations Manager Joe Exendine take the temperature of all Council members and guests present. Once that was handled the meeting continued.

Chief Justice Rick Barnes was recognized by the council and presented changes to the amendment of Article XII – Tribal Judiciary of the Delaware Tribe Constitution. He asked that the changes to the amendment be placed on the Election ballot in November. Following a general discussion with Chief Justice Barnes and Judge Shelly Harris-Ketchum, council member Jeremy Johnson made a motion to place the judicial amendment change on the November 2020 election ballot. Assistant Chief Charles Randall seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous with 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstention to place amendment change on ballot in November.

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Assistant Chief Charles Randall made a motion to approve the February 15, 2020 meeting minutes as written and council member Brad Kills Crow seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions. The minutes were approved.

Executive Session

Assistant Chief Charles Randall made a motion to adjourn for Executive Session after a 10 minute break and Treasurer Joe Brooks seconded said motion. The vote was 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions. Chief Brooks adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm and Tribal Council moved into Executive Session.

Chief Brooks called the meeting back to order at 5:15 pm. No action was taken involving the discussion in Executive Session.

Reports:

Treasurer Joe Brooks read the financial summaries for the past four months (February, March, April and May). Assistant Chief Charles Randall made a motion to approve the financials and council member Brad Kills Crow seconded. The vote was unanimous to approve with 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

New Business:

Member Nicky Michael asked Treasurer Jo Brooks to comment on COVID 19 funds at which time he deferred to Chief. Chief discussed the funds that have been received at the time of the meeting. There was a discussion on ways to handle getting some of the monies to tribal members who have been affected by the COVID 19 pandemic.

Member Nicky Michael made a motion to investigate the details of a law suit being brought by the Shawnee Tribe in regard to COVID-19 funds by contacting Ben Baker. Member Jeremy Johnson seconded motion. The vote was unanimous to approve with 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Treasurer Joe Brooks made a motion to approve the Cultural Resources budget in the amount of \$189,918.54 from the tribe side of 106 fund for the fiscal year 2020. Member Nicky Michael seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve with 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Member Brad Kills Crow made a motion to make entry into all buildings in the complex No Mask, No Entry and all need to have temperature check until rescinded by the council by a vote. Treasurer Joe Brooks seconded the motion and all approved with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

Assistant Chief Charles Randall read into the minutes seven poll votes taken over the period of January through March 2020. The poll votes were as follows:

January 23, 2020 for approval of payment of two account payables over \$5000.00 and give Chief Brooks approval to sign. The vote was 6 yes 0 no and 1 abstention (Brad Kills Crow)

February 6, 2020 to approve Chief Brooks signature for payment to Blue Cross and Blue Shield invoice in the amount of \$21,795.40. Vote was 7 yes 0 no and 0 abstention.

February 6, 2020 to approve signature of Chief Brooks for three accounts payable requests: Boys and Girls Club of Chelsea \$10,244.98, WCCCF \$74,603.05, and Graves \$5,684.69. Vote was 6 yes 0 no and 1 abstention (Jeremy Johnson)

February 6, 2020 to approve the signature of Chief Brooks on an accounts payable request to pay TSS for 25% payment of Monthly Deposits for January. Vote was 7 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

February 12, 2020 to process payment to WCCCF in the amount of \$61,818.75. Vote was 6 yes 1 no (Nicky Michael) and 0 abstentions.

March 3, 2020 to approve a Contract Extension for the WCCCF. Vote was 7 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

March 17, 2020 to approve sending "non-essential" employees home for 2 weeks with pay due to COVID-19 pandemic. Vote was 4 yes, 2 no (Chief Brooks, Joe Brooks) and 1 abstention (Nathan Young IV).

Member Jeremy Johnson made a motion to rescind a previous motion that was approved Chief Chet Brooks as supervisor for both departments. Assistant Chief Charles Randall seconded the motion. All approved with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

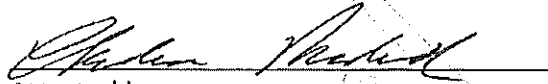
Member Brad Killis Crow made a motion to present the draft of the Early Head Start Delegate Agency Agreement between the Delaware Tribe of Indians and the Washington County Child Care Foundation to the WCCCF for approval as soon as possible in order to continue EHS funding. Assistant Chief Charles Randall seconded the motion. All approved with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

Treasurer Joe Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-14 Resolution to enter into an agreement with WCCCF to deliver Child Care Services through Child Care and Development Fund with an amendment to add an expiration date of September 30, 2020. Member Brad Killis Crow seconded the motion and after a discussion there was a call for question. The vote was approved by all with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

Adjournment:

Member Jeremy Johnson made a motion to adjourn and Member Brad Kills Crow seconded. All approved with vote of 6 yes, 0 no and 0 abstentions.

Following the adjournment Chief Chet Brooks announced this is an election year and there are 3 council seats open. He also stated that within 2-3 weeks the DIN would be put out and anyone needing to put in an article or run an ad get it in to paper as soon as possible.


Attested by: