

DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2017

Taken by Charles Randall

Call to Order by the Chief:

Chief Chester Brooks called the Tribal Council meeting to order at 5:42 PM.

Prayer:

Elder Bonnie Thaxton was asked to lead 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, Member Nathan Young IV, Member Joe Brooks. Treasurer Benita Shea and Member Nicky Michael were not present. There were five Council members present and we had a quorum.

Chief Chester Brooks welcomed our guests

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

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved. We went into Executive Session at 5:48 PM.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 6:13 PM with no action being taken.

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Chief Chester Brooks asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. Nathan Young IV made the motion to approve the minutes of the Tribal Council Meeting of April 18, 2017 as stated, seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion passed 4 yes, 1 abstention (Bonnie Jo Griffith out of town).

Unfinished Business:

Joe Brooks made the motion to forward the minutes of the Council Meeting of April 18, 2017 to Attorney David McCullough to follow up on two items, the gate at the Jackson Fall-Leaf Cemetery and clarify the authority of the DEDC Board. Motion seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. All approved for the minutes to be forwarded to David McCullough with the two items highlighted.

Chief Chester Brooks asked that the appointment of William T. Hatch to the third position on the Delaware Enterprise Development Commission be confirmed by the Council. Joe Brooks made the motion to appoint William T. Hatch as the third member of the Delaware Enterprise Development Commission, seconded by Bonnie Jo Griffith. All approved.

Reports:

Bonnie Jo Griffith gave a report on her trip to Philadelphia two weeks ago for the opening of the Museum of the American Revolution with Brice Obermeyer. She said It was a very impressive ceremony. We were invited because the Delaware were part of the American Revolution. The ceremony started at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the American Revolution and then had a processional to Independence Hall. From there they went to the Museum where she got to meet the former Vice President Joe Biden and the Governor of Pennsylvania.

Chief Chester Brooks reported on the visit of Senator Lankford. We had a good crowd and everyone had a great visit with the Senator. We asked his aide to look into a couple issues for the Tribe and he said he would. The Senator sent back the message he was very impressed that he was able to eat dinner with our Elder Bonnie Thaxton.

New Business:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to accept Resolution 2017-16 for Tribal Enrollment, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Joe Brooks made the motion to approve Resolution 2017-17 for the Fishing Pond, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved.

Nathan Young IV made the motion to approve rental of a car from Las Vegas to visit the Aeroponics facility in Nevada for possible future Tribal business, seconded by Joe Brooks. Motion carried 4 yes, 1 abstention (Bonnie Jo Griffith).

Adjournment:

Bonnie Jo Griffith made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Nathan Young IV. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:34 PM.

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Attested by: Charles Randall, Secretary