

Citizen Band of Potawatomi Indians of Oklahoma  
Shawnee Agency  
Regular Business Committee Meeting  
January 11, 1967

MINUTES

Present

Chairman, A. B. Pecore  
Vice-Chairman, Ennis Madole  
Sec. & Treas., Bernard Heer  
Councilman, Billy Jim Burch  
Councilman, Lawana Lee Santino

Guest

John E. Taylor, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 by the Chairman in his home south of Shawnee, a quorum of members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The secretary explained the work that must be done to prepare the roll before the typist start the voucher. Zip codeing was discussed. The treasurer reported that the committee has a balance of \$5009.00 to finish the fiscal year and there are no outstanding bills. After discussion it was decided to try and finish the fiscal year and make the voucher with the present budget and not ask for amore funds.

Mr. Taylor presented the problem of the follow up on checks mailed out and returned and the settling of heirs for estate payments. His office does not have the staff to take care of the follow up that will have to be done, and especially since there will be three tribes making per capita payments this year through his office. He would like for the committee to consider handling this part themselves since it is the Tribes responsibility to see that people receive their payments.

Income tax was discussed.

Bernard Heer  
Bernard Heer, Secretary

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
Special Business Committee Meeting  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
March 6, 1967

MINUTES

Present

Chairman, A.B. Pecore  
V-Chairman, Ennis Madole  
Sec. & Treas., Bernard Heer  
Councilman, Billy Jim Burch

Absent

Councilman, Tawana Lee Santino

A quorum of members present the Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:45 in his home south of Shawnee. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Copies of Response to Defendant's Requested Findings on offsets for Docket No. 96, sent by Mr. Rochmes, were distributed to the Committee Members.

A contract to be entered into between the Absentee Shawnee Tribe and the Citizen Potawatomi Tribe was discussed. The contract is to permit the Absentee Shawnee, who are sponsoring a handicraft and novelty company, to cut small trees or saplings on the Citizen Potawatomi land. The material to be used in the manufacturing of novelties. There is no cash or other consideration involved. Motion was made to approve and sign the contract, providing the Shawnee's go ahead with their plans, with a vote of 4 for and none voting against.

It was decided to use the same farm lease form drawn for the other leased agriculture land for the leasing of the 59 acres instead of having an attorney draw a new lease.

Motion was made by Ennis Madole and second by Billy Jim Burch that the Secretary be designated to file a Federal Income Tax return for the Tribe. Motion passed.

A bid from Dawson Lumber Company in the amount of \$906.80 was presented by the Chairman to paint the Community House inside and outside, two screen doors and fix the front porch. Motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Billy Jim Burch that bids be gotten from several other places for the repair and paint job on the Community House.

Meeting adjourned.

Bernard Heer  
Bernard Heer, Secretary

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
REGULAR BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING  
April 17, 1967

MINUTES

Present

Chairman, A. B. Pecore  
V-Chairman, Ennis Madole  
Sec.-Treas., Bernard Heer

Guest

John Taylor, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 8 P.M. by the Chairman in his home, south of Shawnee. A quorum of members were present.

The per capita payment voucher which has been completed was received by the business committee. Ennis Madole made a motion that a resolution be adopted authorizing the chairman and secretary-treasurer to certify the voucher and submit the same for payment. Motion second by Bernard Heer. Motion carried with 3 voting for and none opposed.

Motion was made by Ennis Madole that the secretary be given authority to go ahead now and enter the 1967 roll number from the voucher on to the card enrollment system; process the applications for enrollment which have been received after the roll closed in 1963, and to purchase a file cabinet. Motion second by Bernard Heer. Motion carried with 3 voting for and none against.

Motion made by Bernard Heer, second by Ennis Madole that the meeting adjourn.

Bernard Heer  
Bernard Heer, Secretary

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
SPECIAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING  
May 28, 1967

MINUTES

Present

Chairman, A.B. Pecore  
V-Chairman, Ennis Madele  
Sec. & Treas., Bernard Heer  
Councilman, Billy Jim Burch

Absent

Councilman, Tawana Lee Santine

Guest

John E. Taylor, Superintendent

A quorum of members present the meeting was called to order at 7:45 in the home of the Vice Chairman, south of Shawnee. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bills were presented and approved in the amounts of \$21.40 to Dawson Lumber Company for windstorm damage and a new screen door. \$82.50 for two girls to put 1967 roll numbers from voucher onto the card system. \$15.45 to Pett. County Book and Office Supply for a file cabinet.

A.B. Pecore made a report on the medical health meetings he had attended. Also, reported that the public relations representative from Indian health will be present at the June Council to explain the new regulations on the clinic to the people. A motion was made by Billy Jim Burch and second by Ennis Madele that Mr. Pecore be paid for the three meetings he attended. Motion carried.

Mr. Taylor requested again the Tribe hire some one to remail the Citizen Potawatomi per capita payment checks that had gone out to old addresses on the Tribal Roll, and to help with the probates. He exhibited the number of checks he already had on hand that had been returned and explained the procedure that would be required. Motion was made by Billy Jim Burch and second by Ennis Madele that Mr. Taylor hire a person for 120 hours work to help him reroute the Potawatomi checks from the per capita payment, to be paid by the Tribe. Motion carried, with 3 voting for and none against.

After discussion and proof offered the motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Billy Jim Burch that the degree of Ellen (Vieux) Brune be corrected on the 1937 census roll. Motion carried, with 3 voting for and none against.

The budget for the fiscal year 1968 was drawn up and approved. Mr. Burch made the motion for approval, second by Bernard Heer. 3 voting for and none against.

Mr. Burch reported to the committee that he had been contacted by several officials from the City of Tecumseh inquiring as to the possibility of leasing land from the Tribe for the purpose of making a park and golf course. Tecumseh would build the park and golf course and maintain same. It would be open to the public. Mr. Burch is to advise the City of Tecumseh to present blue prints of their plans and specifications of their needs and the committee will have an appraiser come in. Meeting adjourned.

*Bernard Heer*  
Bernard Heer, Secretary

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
June 29, 1967

MINUTES

The Annual Tribal Council Meeting was called to order at 1:45 by the Chairman in the Potawatomi Community House, south of Shawnee, with a quorum of members present. The committee members and Agency Superintendent were introduced.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A thank you note from Mrs. Howard D. Moses was read.

Mr. Calvin Beam, Division of Indian Health executive office, Dr. Mendez, clinic doctor and Mr. Arleigh Rhodes, administrative assistant were introduced. Each gave a short talk. Mr. Beam named the services available and the eligibility requirements. He invited the people to attend any of their quarterly meetings, the next meeting will be August 5, 1967 at 2 P.M. in the clinic. Mr. Pecore ask for approval of a resolution, Pott-67-6, that the Indian Public Health Clinic be given a laboratory assistant. Priscilla Sherard made the motion, second by Ruby Smith. Motion carried.

Mr. Pecore advised the people that approximately 1000 per capita checks had been returned this time due to lack of proper address or mailing addresses not kept up-to-date. He ask for a resolution, Pott-67-7, to the effect that it be mandatory for people to keep their mailing address up-to-date. Priscilla Sherard made the motion, second by Bessie Ridenhower. The motion carried with 40 voting for and 1 against.

Mr. Taylor passed out a list of the names of people who have not received their per capita check because of a wrong address or no address, and ask the people to check the list and if they found people they knew to notify those people and have them write in and furnish their new address. Mr. Taylor also explained the procedure for probates and advised that that it would probably be fall before he could set any dates for probate hearings because these will be above his normal office work load.

It was explained that the affidavits that had been made a part of the car enrollment requirement for all people applying after October 15, 1969 and that there were some people who never did return these affidavits and therefore did not complete the requirements for enrollment. Resolution Pott-67-8 was accepted and approved with a motion for acceptance of the resolution made by Priscilla Sherard and second by Ruby Smith. The motion passed with 46 voting for and none voting against.

A motion was made by Priscilla Sherard and second by John Smith that the Community House be fixed up. Motion carried with 35 voting for and none voting against.

Mr. Pecore announced that he had an offer from an oil company for us to drill an oil well on the Tribe's land. The tribe could use a part of the funds set aside for development purposes. Besides the 1/8 interest the tribe would have in the well the company would also give 1/2 of the 7/8 to the Tribe. The question was asked, how much would it cost. Answer; approximately \$12000.00. Mr. Pecore called for a vote on the offer. With 18 voting for and 21 against the offer was turned down.

Election of officers was the next order of business. Mr. Madole read the qualifications for officers from the constitution, and Mr. Taylor gave the reservation boundaries for residence. Mr. Madole conducted the election for Chairman.

Priscilla Sherard nominated A.B. Pecore for Chairman, Ruby Smith second the motion and made the motion that nominations cease and Mr. Pecore be elected by acclamation. Motion passed. Mr. Pecore elected Chairman.

Nominations for Vice Chairman were called for. Priscilla Sherard made the motion that Ennis Madole be retained by acclamation as vice chairman. Motion second by Bessie Ridenhower.

Nominations for Secretary-Treasurer were called for. Priscilla Sherard nominated Bernard Heer, second by Ruby Smith. John Smith nominated Mary Alice Pecore, second by Gary Smith. Ruby Smith made motion nominations cease, second by Priscilla Sherard. With Bernard Heer receiving 35 votes, and Mary Alice Pecore 20, Bernard Heer elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Election for first councilman. Priscilla Sherard nominated Billy Jim Burch, and made the motion he be elected by acclamation. Second by Ruby Smith. Motion passed.

Nominations for second councilman. John Smith nominated Grace Burns, second by Gary Smith. Ruth Jones nominated Mary Alice Pecore, second by Ruby Smith. Motion made nominations cease. Grace Burns received 11 votes, with Mary Alice Pecore receiving 47, Mary Alice Pecore elected second councilman.

Grievance Committee elected were; John Smith - 626 N.W. 91st, Oklahoma City, Okla., Gary Smith - 2332 Ashley Drive, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Ruth Jones - 521 Locust, Tecumseh, Oklahoma.

Meeting adjourned.

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Bernard Heer, Secretary

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
SPECIAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING  
May 28, 1967

MINUTES

Present

Chairman, A.B. Pecore  
V-Chairman, Ennis Madole  
Sec. & Treas., Bernard Heer  
Councilman, Billy Jim Burch

Absent

Councilman, Tawana Lee Santino

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After discussion and proof offered the motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Billy Jim Burch that the degree of Ellen (Vieux) Bruno be corrected on the 1937 census roll. Motion carried, with 3 voting for and none against.

The budget for the fiscal year 1968 was drawn up and approved. Mr. Burch made the motion for approval, second by Bernard Heer. 3 voting for and none against.

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Meeting adourned.

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
QUARTERLY BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING  
October 9, 1 967

MINUTES

Present

Chairman, A.B. Pecore  
V-Chairman, Ennis Madole  
Sec. & Treas., Bernard Heer  
Councilman, Billy Jim Burch  
Councilman, Mary Alice Pecore

A quorum of members present the quarterly business committee meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. in the home of the Chairman, south of Shawnee.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was decided to hold the Special Council Meeting of October 28th, 1967 in the auditorium of St. Benedict's School, Shawnee.

A bill of \$45.00 for renewal of the treasurer's bond was presented. Motion was made by Billy Jim Burch and second by Bernard Heer that the bill be allowed. Motion passed.

After discussion as to just what repairs should be made to the Community House it was decided to contact plant management personnel from the Anadarko Area office and have them advise the committee as to what should be done and the best way to go about making the repairs.

Motion was made by Ennis Madole and second by Billy Jim Burch that the vandalism to the two rent houses be repaired. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Billy Jim Burch that resolution Pott-68-1 be accepted, removing the name of Albert G. Stephens from the Tribal Roll. Motion passed with 3 voting for and 2 against.

Motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Mary Alice Pecore that the name of James Ogee be removed from the roll and resolution Pott-68-2 be accepted. Motion passed with 5 voting for and none against.

Motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Billy Jim Burch that resolution Pott-68-3 be accepted, correcting the tribal roll to eliminate duplications of names. Motion passed with 5 voting for and none against.

The secretary presented the name of Nora Williams O'Bennick for enrollment, she claims she is allottee # 131 - Wah-Ya-No-Quah on the 1889 allotment roll. The name was rejected until more proof can be presented that she is one and the same person.



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Motion was made by Bernard Heer and second by Mary Alice Pecore that Resolution Pott-68-4 be accepted, pertaining to membership enrollment on the tribal roll. The motion passed with 4 voting for and 1 against.

The meeting adjourned.

Bernard Heer  
Bernard Heer, Secretary

CITIZEN BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA  
SHAWNEE AGENCY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
October 28, 1967

MINUTES

A quorum of members present the Council Meeting was called to order at 1:15 P.M. in St. Benedict's School Auditorium, Shawnee, Oklahoma by the Chairman. The meeting was opened by a prayer by Father Timothy.

The claims attorney, Louis L. Rochmes, gave his report on the tribal claims. He reported specifically on Dockets 96 and 217, and gave a general report on the other pending claims.

Shawnee Agency Superintendent, John E. Taylor, advised the Council Members that there were about 150 per capita shares from the 1967 distribution to be probated and that he was gathering the necessary information now and would start on some of the probates soon.

Resolutions Pott-68-1, removing Albert G. Stephens name from the tribal roll; Resolution Pott-68-2, removing James Ogee's name from the tribal roll; Resolution Pott-68-3, correcting the tribal roll to eliminate duplications; and Pott-68-4, enrollment into tribal membership were read to the Council. Mrs. May Fairchild made the motion that the resolutions be accepted, second by Reby McKee. The motion passed, none voting against.

The meeting adjourned.

Bernard Heer  
Bernard Heer, Secretary