



ITTF Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 11, 2021 – Teleconference

Members on Teleconference: Jeff Benton (Red Cliff), Crystal Chapman-Chevalier (Menominee), Amy Coughlin (WisDOT), Emerson Coy (Lac du Flambeau), Nathan Gordon (Red Cliff), Aaron Gustafson (WisDOT), Daniel Holt (FHWA), Bryan Lipke (WisDOT), Kirby Metoxen (Oneida), Todd Mulvey (Forest County Potawatomi), Greg Newhouse (FHWA), Troy Parr (Oneida), Cyless Peterson (WisDOT), Mindy Samz (WisDOT), Dana Shinnars (WisDOT), Sandy Stankevich (WisDOT), Delores Staples (St. Croix), Ward Staples (St. Croix), Marie Summers (Oneida) and Renita Warrington (Menominee).

Others in Attendance: Stacie Cutbank (Oneida, THPO Coordinator), Agnes Fleming (Lac Courte Oreilles, ITTF Coordinator) and Collin Price (Ho-Chunk, TLAC Consultant).

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:39 am by Todd Mulvey, Vice Chair. Seven Tribes were represented. Agnes Fleming did the Invocation.

Guest Speaker: Sgt. Harman Chahal, Wisconsin State Patrol, did a presentation for the group on Human Trafficking. Following the presentation, Delores Staples suggested Human Trafficking presentations be offered in the schools.

Approve Agenda: Crystal Chapman-Chevalier made a motion to approve the agenda. Emerson Coy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Meeting Minutes: Todd Mulvey made a motion to approve the January 14, 2021, meeting minutes. Marie seconded the motion. It was noted that Greg Newhouse is with FHWA and not BIA. The motion passed unanimously with the revision as noted.

Action Items from the January 14, 2021 Meeting:

- **Awards Category** – Agnes emailed ITTF Members regarding forming a work group to develop an awards category for the development of potential Tribal services projects that will increase safety awareness and provide funding for projects such as signage and billboards. Agnes will update the group at the next meeting.
- **Law Enforcement Training and Peer Exchange** – Agnes contacted NADGI (Native American Drug and Gang Initiative). They are meeting at the end of April and Agnes will provide updated information at the next meeting.
- **Delores Staples Request for Additional State Police presence in the Northern Regions** – Delores shared that no one has followed up on this.
- **Delores Staples Request for Hwy 35 No Passing Zone** – Aaron Gustafson shared that WisDOT is waiting for a Traffic Study Request from the Tribe.
- **WisDOT Liaisons Share Contacts** – Stacie Cutbank requested that Tribal Liaisons share their contacts in transportation, environmental and GIS with her for planning for the upcoming Listening Session.
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Chairwoman's Report:

Delores has not been feeling well. Everyone shared their best wishes with her.

Agnes provided the proposed revisions of the Bylaws to ITTF Members and reviewed the suggested revisions with the group. Agnes requested that if anyone has comments or additional revisions, please contact her.

Todd discussed the Challenges and Opportunities for Local and Tribal Governments Panel for the Wisconsin Automated Vehicle External Advisory Committee. (Link from Todd - <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/about-wisdot/who-we-are/comm-couns/wave.aspx>). Sandy recommended Todd join the panel, and Todd noted he is currently representing the Forest County Potawatomi Community on the panel and could also represent ITTF. Daniel shared he is also on the committee. A motion was made by Emerson and seconded by Marie for Todd to represent ITTF on the committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Standing Reports:

- State Tribal Affairs Program – Sandy Stankevich and Cyless Peterson
 - WISLR - Sandy had a meeting with a WISLR specialist, who noted they need signed approval to use GIS files from BIA and Tribal roads. Sandy is working to obtain the needed signatures.
 - DBE Map - Sandy shared that she also needs approval to include Tribes on the DBE Map. An email noting approval would be acceptable. She has received approval from Bad River, Forest County Potawatomi and Oneida.
 - The Cultural Awareness workshops are proceeding and have received good feedback.
 - The three IGAs for ITTF, THPO and TLAC expire on June 30, 2021, and WisDOT is seeking solicitations. The deadline to send a letter of interest is March 26th, and proposals are due April 9th. Selection will be done the beginning of May.
 - Sandy and Cyless are meeting with Michael Schwendau to discuss outreach methods for the State Patrol Academy. It was suggested to include the State Patrol in the Summer Institute to get kids thinking about careers.
- WisDOT Inter-Tribal Task Force – Agnes Fleming, ITTF Coordinator
 - Agnes shared there will be savings this fiscal year due to no travel. She is exploring Tribal projects to fund.
 - Agnes has emailed the Transit Managers regarding a 2021 Transit Peer Exchange and will contact real estate departments for a possible 2021 Real Estate Training.
 - As noted, the Bylaws have been revised and an upcoming meeting will be scheduled. Agnes shared it would be nice to have more participation at the next meeting to complete this project.
 - Discussion was held on the 2021 Wisconsin Tribal Transportation Conference (WTTC). Sandy and Cyless have met with the Department of Tourism to explore having them host the Conference. Sandy will be attending the Department of Tourism's annual conference to see how the format works. She suggested holding WTTC for three, half-days. The group needs to determine the tracks and offer suggestions for presenters.



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- Tribal Labor Advisory Committee (TLAC) – Collin Price
 - The first TLAC meeting in a while was held yesterday, and Collin noted there was good participation and feedback from the partners. The group is looking to reset and regroup.
 - The Coordinator position is posted.
 - The three major initiatives for this year include -
 - Engaging Tribal Stakeholders.
 - Policy Roundtables to discuss what policy will look like going forward.
 - Three Part Webinar Series to showcase success stories in communities. The goal is to peak Native interest in the trades.
 - Work on the Cultural Awareness Curriculum is ongoing.
 - Work on the website to post future WisDOT projects that include the NAHP is ongoing.
 - Collin is working on a resource list for people looking to gain entry to the industry.
Nathan shared that Collin did a great job coordinating the meeting and felt new energy with the group.
- Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPO) – Stacie Cutbank
 - No updates on the Work Plan. Sandy’s information on the new IGA was received and Oneida is looking at submitting.
 - Stacie is exploring training options as WisDOT has approved reimbursement.
 - Stacie is meeting tomorrow with Tribal Liaisons and the Tribal Historic Preservation Officers to discuss topics for the Annual Listening Session.

Tribal Reports:

Reports were given by Forest County Potawatomi, Lac du Flambeau, Menominee, Oneida, Red Cliff and St. Croix.

WisDOT Tribal Liaison Reports: Reports were provided in advance of the meeting. Amy noted that there are three projects with the Native American Hiring Provision - one has begun in Madison and the other two will start sometime in the summer.

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Marie and seconded by Emerson. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:19 pm.



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March 11th Action Items:

- Presenter for May 13th Meeting – Sandy has people to speak on the Pedestrian/Bike Paths including funding. Agnes suggested including BIA in the presentation.
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Upcoming ITTF Meetings:

May 13, 2021 at 8:30 am

Zoom Meeting Information –

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82304634157?pwd=cythcm55RjRtRXZlVGNlOEt2TTQvQT09>

Phone: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 823 0463 4157

Password: 7155587750 (if needed)

Respectfully submitted by
Kim Swisher, ITTF Assistant
April 8, 2021