

COUNCIL NOTES.

Ohsweken Council House

April 7th 1896.

General Council opened in due form by Chief William Echo, one of the Fire Keepers.

Chief Wm. Echo was appointed speaker of the Fire Keepers for today.

The Council decided to appoint a committee on disputes as follows, for today—Chief Wm. Staats, George Gibson, David John, Joseph Porter, William Hill and Joab Martin clerk.

The report of the committee in re the controversy between the Six Nations and Missasaugas was read and interpreted by Chief J. W. M. Elliott and was unanimously adopted by the Council.

Communications from the Department of Indian affairs were read by the visiting Supt. and the minutes in re last council were confirmed.

The council decided to adopt the action of the department of Indian Affairs with regard to seed grain orders, which shall only be issued upon the recommendation of a Chief. The council asked that hay be also included.

The following chiefs were appointed a loan committee for today:—Chiefs, John Hill, Levi Jonathan, Moses Hill, Abram Lewis, Nicholas Porter, David General and chief J. W. M. Elliott, Secretary of Committee.

The funeral accounts for the quarter ended passed.

Relief accounts for quarter were passed by council.

The council decided to purchase 10,000 feet of plank for culverts.

The matter of sheep killed in Brantford Township and claimed to have been killed by dogs belong-

ing to members of the Reserve was laid over until next general council.

The council refused to grant Hiram Miller any relief for flour burned on the Reserve.

The council voted the sum of \$2.00 to William Carryey who is old and in want.

The council refused the application of the Victoria Brass Band for financial aid.

The council confirmed the award of the fence viewers between Jacob F. Johnson and Richard Hill.

The council passed the sundries account of chief J. S. Johnson.

The medical report for the quarter ending March 31st was read by the visiting Supt.

The council passed the accounts of Herbert Garlow, Robert Martin and others as recommended by the Inspector of works for protecting the highway over the dam across McKinzie creek.

The council decided to grant the application of Simon Hill that it pay the hospital charges for the keep of his son George Newton Hill, who is in the said hospital under treatment, the amount to be repaid out of his interest money.

The council decided that any chief may certify to seed grain orders for any member of the Six Nations who may require such orders for seed grain.

The council passed the accounts of the committee in re Six Nations V. S. Missasaugas controversy as follows:—

Chief J. W. M. Elliott as Secretary of committee, \$9.00; chief William Smith, \$5.00; chief William Wage, \$5.00; chief Levi Jonathan \$5.00; chief Nicodemus Porter \$5.00; chief John Jamieson, \$5.00; chief Joab Martin, \$5.00; chief Josiah Hill, \$1.00.

The council decided to pass the accounts of the Fire Inspector as follows:—John Hill \$2.00; Joseph Henry \$2.00.

The quit claim of Abram Green to Catherine Powless, confirmed.

The quit claim of Thomas McLeod of Mrs Betsy Echo, confirmed.

The quit claim of Jackson Jemison to George D. Styres, confirmed.

The quit claim of Sampson Patterson to Adam Thomas, confirmed.

The quit claim of Elizabeth Henhawk to Elias Jamieson confirmed.

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Tenders for the cutting down of the stone ridge and filling two swamps were opened as follows:—

Peter Sky, \$400.00; Levi Jonathan, \$200.00; Wm. Fishcarries, \$167.00; Alex Bomberry, \$500.00; Nic. Porter, \$180.00; Robert Martin \$169.00; Henry Bauming, \$89.00; Wm. C. Hill, \$200.00; Moses Hill, \$120.00—Accepted.

The visiting Supt. then introduced Miss Fitzgibbons Secy. of the Toronto Historical Society to the chiefs in council.

The speaker of Fire Keepers expressed the feeling of the council in welcoming Miss Fitzgibbons Secy. of the Ladies Historical Society of Toronto in their midst &c.

She addressed the council at some length in a very able manner referring to the bravery of the warriors of the Six Nation Indians at the Battle of Beaver dam &c. when they fought side by side with the British Soldiers in which her great-grand father was a Lieutenant.

The committee on loans recom-