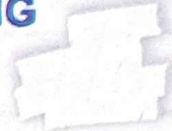




# SENECA-CAYUGA NATION

## CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE MEETING



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| <b>DATE</b> | Monday,<br>September<br>14, 2026 | <b>TIME<br/>PLACE</b> | 6:00 p.m..<br>CT<br>Zoom | <b>FACILITATOR</b> | Carrie Kneeland |
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| MEMBERS         |         |                 |                                 |
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| Roberta Smith   | Present | Yvonne Perryman | Present                         |
| Carrie Kneeland | Present | Jo Lynn Gentry  | Present                         |
| Kristi Blansett | Present | Others Present: | 2 members of<br>General Council |

| TIME | ITEM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | OWNER |
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| —    | <b>Planned Agenda</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Approval of Minutes</li><li>• Website/Social Media</li><li>• Unfinished Business</li><li>• Housekeeping</li><li>• Open Forum</li><li>• • Next Constitution meeting 09/28/2026 @ 6pm</li><li>• Adjournment</li></ul> |       |

**Approval of Minutes** – Minutes from August 31, 2026 approved as amended.

### CERTIFICATION

**On September 14, 2026 the minutes of August 31, 2026 were approved by unanimous committee consent. Copy emailed to BC Secretary on September 26, 2026.**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_

**, Secretary**

| Minutes Begin |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                              |
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| 6:08 p.m (CT) | Meeting called to Order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Carrie                       |
| 6:08 (CT)     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Roll Call</li> <li>o Approval of Minutes. Unanimous Committee vote in favor.</li> <li>o Minutes from August 19, 2026 do not have the Committee Secretary's signature. Secretary explains that the signature attests that prior minutes were sent. For August 19, no minutes were sent so there is no need for a signature. The chair also points out that on the website for the Seneca Cayuga tribe, the Minutes for August 17 and August 19 are listed as minutes for September 17 and 19. Committee Secretary will email the IT Department to get this error corrected.</li> </ul> <p>After several requests for budget information, the tribe's Executive Director emailed a copy of the requested information. Prior budget information for the Constitution Committee and the Constitution Advisory Committee was requested because at the General Council meeting on June 6, the Secretary/Treasurer for the tribe reported that the committees spent over \$200,000.00. The budget information provided to the Committee does not support this information.</p> <p>The budget shows a line-item for payroll but this appears to be an error as there is no person associated with the committee that is on the tribal payroll. The chair will send an email seeking clarification.</p> <p>The Constitution Committee has been trying to receive a template for a 2027 budget. On September 9, the Secretary of the Constitution Committee sent an email request to the Secretary/Treasurer of the tribe requesting a budget template but has not yet received a response. The Constitution Committee sent previous requests for documents such as the Resolution passed in June 2025 that created this committee as well as a copy of the Resolution passed in June 2026 referring Resolution</p> | <p>Jo Lynn</p> <p>Carrie</p> |

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|  | <p>01-060708. All requests for information from the Secretary Treasurer have been completely ignored.</p> <p>General Council members attending the meeting volunteered to assist in getting a budget template so a budget for 2027 can be timely submitted. Committee member Roberta Smith volunteered to prepare and submit the 2027 budget once the template is received.</p> <p>The Constitution Committee will eventually need to retain an attorney to assist with a final draft of amendments to the Constitution. The process for that was discussed.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the status of the five proposed Constitution amendments. One of the proposed changes is to adopt an Oath of Office that will be utilized when swearing-in all new officers and committee members. This can be done by resolution rather than a Constitutional Amendment so will be included on the Agenda for the Special Meeting. For the remaining four proposed amendments, the Committee will work closely with the Business Committee to see which, if any, can be enacted by resolution versus constitutional amendment. Working meetings will be scheduled.</p> <p>The Committee Secretary volunteered to draft proposed resolutions to rescind R01-060708, to adopt absentee voting and to adopt an Oath of Office.</p> <p>Confirmation of next meeting on September 28, 2026 @ 6 p.m.</p> |  |
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| 7:21 p.m.<br>CT | Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent |       |