



The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday January 8, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Boyd Gourneau at 10:02 a.m.

The opening prayer was led by Cody Russell and dedicated to Sharon Bingen, Steve Schomp, Lynn Doney, and Gib Marshall.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Boyd Gourneau

Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell Secretary-Treasurer: Marty Jandreau Council Member: Kamela Wilson Council Member: Joelle Battese Council Member: Marlo Langdeau

Also Attending:

Kimm Schweitzer

Ben Estes

Stephanie Bolman

Brian Wagner

Lance Witte

Yuma House

Waylon Black Crow

Fely Goodface

Stephanie Langdeau

Jim Langdeau

Eunice Goodface

1. Close December 2024 Meeting

Motion was made by Marty Jandreau to approve closing the December 2024 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Joelle Battese).

2. Approve December 2024 Minutes

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the December 2024 minutes. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

3. Indian Health Services

An update was provided on new staff, open positions, PRC, and ER Visits. No Action Taken.

4. Susy Short Bear Request

Tabled.

5. Hope 929 MOU

Tribal attorney needs to review MOU first. Tabled.

6. Lower Brule Wildlife Department

Motion was made by Marty Jandreau to approve the bid from C&B Operations in the amount of \$15,616.72 for the purchase of a mower for recreation area maintenance. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Marty Jandreau to approve the bid from Iverson Chrysler Center in the amount of \$41,215 per truck, with a total of three trucks to purchase. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the bid from Titan Machinery in the amount of \$7,040.23 for the purchase of a GPS System. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Marty Jandreau to authorize the submission of a grant proposal by the Department of Wildlife, Fish and Recreation to the Intertribal Buffalo Council for surplus Yellow Stone buffalo. This motion was seconded by Marlo Langdeau. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

7. Lower Brule Schools

Superintendent Witte provided an update on the FI&R Project, elementary school roof project and the progress on nursing funds.

No Action Taken.

8. TED/Head Start

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve and support the Lower Brule Head Start Program submitting a continuing grant application in the amount of \$737,165.00 for FY 25/26. This motion was seconded by Marlo Langdeau.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Cody Russell to the Lower Brule Head Start updated pay scale. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Recess 11:38 a.m. Return 1:04 p.m.

9. Lower Brule Police Department

Executive Session 1:05 p.m.

Return 1:47 p.m.

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to request to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to equip all Lower Brule Law Enforcement Officers and vehicles with fully functioning body cameras and dash cameras. This motion was seconded by Marty Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

10. BIA

Motion was made by Kamela Wilson to approve Casey Wenzlaff's request to add Tanner Rouillard to her agriculture lease. This motion was seconded by Joelle Battese. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve Jim Langdeau's request for a deferral on his agriculture lease payments until June 1, 2025. This motion was seconded by Marty Jandreau. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

11. Onaphe Inc.

Stephanie Langdeau provided information on upcoming funding sources for her program. No Action Taken.

Recess 2:33 p.m. Return 2:41 p.m.

12. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Closed Session 2:42 p.m.

Administrative Assistant—Tribal Manager

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the hiring of Mary Wright-Grassrope for the position of Administrative Assistant. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Human Services Department

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the hiring of Casey Grassrope for the position of Office Worker, with Ramona Johnson as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Lower Brule Head Start Program

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the Parent Policy Councils' recommendation to hire Tenaya LaRoche for the position of Classroom Aide, with Grant Whitney as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Kamela Wilson to approve the hiring of Tara Traversie for the position of Cook, with Marilyn Langdeau as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Joelle Battese. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

13. Tribal Manager Update

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve for all tribal loan programs (Revolving Loan, Small Loan, Tribal Loan) to move to 5% interest rates, effective immediately. This motion was seconded by Marty Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Kamela Wilson to approve the Lower Brule Employment Enterprise Employee's to request payroll deductions up to \$2,000.00, with their director's approval. This motion was seconded by Marlo Langdeau. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Recess 3:38 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in Regular Session with a quorum present on the 8th day of January, 2025.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe