

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe **Tribal Council Minutes** July 3, 2024

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday July 3, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:06 a.m.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau and dedicated to Lynette LaRoche, Sonni Flute, Tiffany McLaughlin, and Diana Langdeau-Maruska.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes

Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell

Secretary-Treasurer: Fely Goodface (absent)

Council Member: Jewel Jandreau Council Member: Chris Skunk Council Member: Lewis Grassrope

Also Attending:

Sheryll Scott

Lance Witte

Wilma Wilson

Josie Skunk

Alexis Estes

Stuart Langdeau

Susan Quilt

DeWayne Goodface

James Two Bulls

Waylon Black Crow Ben Estes

Bill Ziegler

1. Close June 2024 Meeting

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve closing the June 2024 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

2. Approve June 2024 Minutes

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the June 2024 minutes. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

3. Lower Brule Schools

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the Elementary School Roof Project under P.L. 100-297 in the amount of \$2,170,240.00 to replace the elementary roof. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Closed Session 10:22 a.m.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the letter of agreement for contract services with Lance L. Witte Consulting, LLC from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the contract with Wawokiya in the amount of \$214,950 for Project Management Services. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

4. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Human Services Department

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Director's recommendation to hire Barbara Bad Horse for the position of Caseworker. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Lower Brule Community Center

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Director's recommendation to hire Janessa Driving Hawk and Denver Crane for the positions of Janitor/Monitor. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Director's recommendation to hire Heather LaForge for the position of Supervisor of the Janitors/Monitors. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Homeless Shelter-Women's

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire DeAnna White Light for the position of Advocate for the Women's Homeless Shelter, with Lisa Goodlow as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Maintenance

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire Bryan Ziegler for the position of Maintenance Worker. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Homeless Shelter-Men's

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire Loren Goodlow for the position of Advocate for the Men's Homeless Shelter, with Grant Whitney as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Lower Brule Housing Authority

Motion was made by Chris Skunk authorizing CFO Bill Ziegler, on behalf of the Lower Brule Tribal Council, to give technical assistance and advocate for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe with the Lower Brule Housing Authority on grants and operation concerning the housing status. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Solid Waste Department

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Director's recommendation to hire Kristofer LaRoche for the position of Solid Waste Driver, with Jate LaRoche as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Security Officer

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire LeRoy Bingen for the position of Security Officer for the Tribal Administration Building, with Lucas Grassrope and Braden LaRoche as the alternates. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Open Session 11:48 a.m.

5. C. Cuny

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the contract with C. Cuny to address safety issues at the OJS facility. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

6. Support for Black Hills

Tabled.

7. Lower Brule Housing Authority

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to authorize the Lower Brule Housing Authority to manage, prepare, and to submit an application for FY24 ICDBG Grant. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Recess 12:11 p.m.

Return 1:28 p.m.

8. BIA

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to renew 6 expired Agriculture Leases at the rate of \$3 per aum for the period of 12/1/22-11/30/24. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve Hank Fast Wolf's homesite request for a period of one year. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Angelica Edwards homesite request for a period of one year. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Lawrence Flute Jr.'s homesite request for a period of one year. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve Terrence Grassrope's homesite request for a period of one year. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve LeRoy Bingen's request for an extension on his homesite lease from 3/31/2044 to 3/31/2064. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve Brian LaRoche Sr.'s request to add Desiree LaRoche to his homesite lease. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made Chris Skunk to approve Lawrence Avery Thompson's request to add Christopher Thompson to all his agriculture leases. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to waive the fee for tribal identification cards for enrolled members between the ages of 12-17 years old. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve to follow the BIA grazing rental rate for allotted lands in the amount of \$26.65 per aum. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau. Motion died with the vote being two members for, two abstaining (Chris Skunk, Cody Russell), and one absent (Fely Goodface).

9. Lower Brule Higher Education Department

An update was provided on the Tribal Education Department and Head Start Program.

10. Other Business

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the bid from Donaldson Ditching, LLC in the amount of \$8,200.00 for porta pot rentals for the 2024 Annual Fair. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Lower Brule IT Department Director as an administrator for the Lower Brule Tribal Website. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Executive Session 2:55 p.m. Open Session 4:06 p.m. Recess 4:06 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 3rd day of July, 2024.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe



Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Tribal Council Minutes July 10, 2024

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday July 10, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 11:35 a.m.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes

Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell

Secretary-Treasurer: Fely Goodface (absent)

Council Member: Jewel Jandreau Council Member: Chris Skunk Council Member: Lewis Grassrope

Also Attending:

Tim Azure

Ben Estes

Bill Ziegler

1. Lower Brule Constitution Committee

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve rewording of Proposed Amendment 2 to the Constitution and Bylaws—Article II—Membership. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

2. Lower Brule EDA Department

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the grant application, engineering firm, and fee payment for the RAISE planning grant submission. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the request for six BIA homes renovation. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Grocery Store Change Order Number 1. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Closed Session 12:07 p.m.

3. Other Business

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to terminate Adam de Hueck as the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe General Counsel. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Recess 12:40 p.m.

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Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe



Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Tribal Council Minutes July 30, 2024

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Tuesday July 30, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 1:52 p.m.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes

Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell

Secretary-Treasurer: Fely Goodface (absent)

Council Member: Jewel Jandreau Council Member: Chris Skunk

Council Member: Lewis Grassrope (telephonic)

Also Attending:

Ben Estes Bill Ziegler

Kamela Wilson

Amanda Charger

1. OJS, FI&R

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes to send a letter regarding construction matters on the FI&R project. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk Chris Skunk to approve the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe to manage the OJS Safety Renovation FI&R project from the Office of Justice Services under the 638 Contracting authority. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

2. First Dakota National Bank

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve opening a Restricted Advance Fund Account at First Dakota National Bank for the FI&R project. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

3. Lower Brule Wildlife Department

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the grant application to the InterTribal Buffalo Council to maintain our herds and facilities. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

4. One Fire Associates

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the One Fire Associates contract. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion and second were withdrawn.

5. SDSU

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the MOU between the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and the South Dakota State University regarding the Healthy Food, Healthy Families, Healthy Communities Initiative. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

6. BIA

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to request all documents of easements pertaining to Golden West Communications from the Lower Brule BIA Agency. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

7. Lower Brule Tribal Court

Closed Session 2:29 p.m.

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve a 2-year contract with Jay Miller for the Chief Judge position. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve a 2-year contract with Mike Swallow for the Associate Judge position. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Open Session 4:15 p.m.

8. PFS/Native Connections

Kamela Wilson gave an update on the Native Connections Program. Amanda Charger gave an update on the Partnership for Success Program.

No Action Taken.

Recess 4:56 p.m.

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Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary

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