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OCTOBER 2, 1968

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on October 2, 1968. The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by the Chairman, Richard Thompson, with roll call as follows:

Present

Richard Thompson, Chairman
Charles Langdeau, Vice-Chairman
Grace Estes, Chaplain
Sylvester LaRoche, Sgt. at Arms
Richard LaRoche, Jr.
Kay Gourneau
Alfred Ziegler
J. W. Thompson

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Grace Estes.

(1)

APPROVE MINUTES - Richard Thompson stated we have minutes of five meetings, the regular meeting of Sept. 4th, and special meetings on Sept. 10, 13, 16, and 20. Kay Gourneau mentioned that on the September 4th meeting, item 12 on enrollment, the second and the vote on a motion was not shown. The motion was seconded by Richard LaRoche and carried with five for and none against. Sylvester LaRoche made a motion to approve the minutes of September with this correction. The motion was seconded by Alfred Ziegler and carried with seven for and none against.

(2)

TED & ROSE McCAULY WAGES - Ted and Rose came to the council in regard to their pay for hours worked on the Mutual Housing Project. They said they had worked 104 hours and that Abe would not pay them for forty of these hours. Kay said she had talked to Abe and he said that he allowed only 32 hours for painting a house and they had spent more time than that on one house. Abe was called in and he said that there are three different programs represented on the project and he had assumed they were working under one of the other programs, and that he had asked Orville, the decorating foreman, to speak to them about putting in more than 32 hours on a house. Richard Thompson referred to the minutes of a previous meeting in which the council gave Abe the authority to hire and fire and set the wages. He asked what was the use of giving him this authority and then overruling his decisions, and that this is a misunderstanding which should be settled between the Construction Superintendent and not us. The council discussed this and Kay Gourneau made a motion that we pay them for the hours they have in. The motion was seconded by Sylvester LaRoche and carried with seven for and none against.

(3)

OMNI CORPORATION - A tentative lease arrangement on space at Chalamar was read as prepared by Mr. Whiteley. The council discussed the terms of the agreement and had no objections. J. W. Thompson made a motion to get a contract drawn up by our attorney. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried by seven for and none against.

(4)

MUTUAL HOUSING - Abe Langdeau, Construction Superintendent, stated that he had received a form to be filled out concerning Knecht Industries bond on the project. He recommended that the determination on the bond be made when we can conclude and list all the defects with the supplier within the period of the contract agreement. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to that effect. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with seven for and none against. Abe asked if the persons who are participants who have their hours in order for occupancy, if they will be permitted to occupy the home at once, or if there is any objection. Richard Thompson said he thought that should come from the Housing Authority. Abe said that the point is that the house isn't complete and the Tribe was paid for 90% of ten houses, but 10% is being retained until completion on the exterior. The council discussed this and Richard asked if the council wanted to assume that authority or leave it with the Housing Authority. Charles Langdeau and Richard LaRoche suggested we leave it with the Housing Authority. Abe Langdeau said that his time terminates the end of the month and he is leaving the middle of the month on vacation and would like to have the circumstances clarified in his absence as to who and what will determine the authority in completing. The council discussed this and Alfred Ziegler made a motion to recommend that his contract be extended until the project is completed and turned over to the housing authority. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with seven for and none against.

(5)

LAND SALES - Joe Brewer said that J. W. Thompson would like to buy 80 acres east of his place and adjoining him. It was not purchased with Act funds but could be sold to someone who lost land in the taking. Charles Langdeau made a motion to sell it to J. W. Thompson under the land purchase program. The motion was seconded by Richard LaRoche and carried with six for and none against, Alfred Ziegler absent for vote.

(6)

LAND SALE - Joe Brewer said he had a letter from Two Hawks saying they would like to sell a quarter of land to Baunita Ness. J. W. Thompson made a motion that the council concur in this. The motion was seconded by Sylvester LaRoche and carried by six for and none against, Alfred Ziegler absent for vote.

(7)

REQUEST APPRAISAL - A request was received from Veronica Pennington to sell her land, 160 acres, which is in Clarence Thompson's unit at Fort Hale. Charles Langdeau made a motion to request an appraisal on this. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against, Alfred Ziegler absent for vote.

(8)

LAND EXCHANGE - Joe Brewer stated that at one time Amy Carpenter attempted to acquire the old place. This was stricken from the exchange, and now the only way to correct it would be if she would trade land and pay the difference. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the exchange and she would pay the difference of \$750. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with seven for and none against.

(9)

REQUEST TO PURCHASE LAND - A letter from Tony E. Crow Stollby was read asking if she could repurchase 160 acres which she sold. Joe Brewer said this was not bought with Act funds, so the only way would be if she would buy a piece that was bought with Act funds and trade it for her original allotment.

(10)

RIVIN LAND - A letter was read in which the Tribe offered to buy Mr. Rivin's land at Fort Hala. Joe Brewer said that we had no reply from them as to whether or not they would sell for the price offered.

(11)

INVESTMENT OF TREASURY FUNDS - A letter from the Area Director was read asking whether or not the tribe wanted to reinvest tribal treasury funds in another time certificate at the Bank in Iowa. J. W. Thompson made a motion to pass a resolution to leave it there for another year and to transfer the interest to the general fund. The motion was seconded by Sylvester LaRoche and carried with seven for and none against. Mr. Edzards said he thought the interest was 6 1/2%.

The meeting adjourned from 12:15 to 1:15 for lunch.

(12)

AUDIT REPORT - Mr. Edzards gave the council two copies of the audit report and suggested that Exhibit D be duplicated and copies given to each council member as it does give a good picture of the financial condition of the Tribe.

(13)

CEDAR CREEK ROAD - Charles Langdeau presented a proposed resolution on the Cedar Creek Road requesting that the Bureau of Indian Affairs reconstruct this road and negotiate with the State for take over of this road by the S. Dak. Dept. of Highways as part of the Perimeter Road System. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt this resolution. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with seven for and none against.

(14)

CHALOMAR - Mr. Edzards asked if Mr. Anderson had agreed on partitioning and if they were coming out. Mr. Marken said they had left this up to him and he said they were supposed to come on Tuesday, the 8th.

(15)

STORE - Richard Thompson stated that the credit committee had a meeting and closed out the store, and there are several people interested in renting it and asked what a fair rent would be. Mr. Edzards mentioned that it is a service which is needed and should be provided, and the more we charge them, the more they will pass on to the people. Grace said she thought we should check them out and Kay suggested we get a proposal from each of them and see what they have to offer.

(16)

CLARENCE THOMPSON JR. LAND - Mr. Herrington said he checked out Clarence Jr. with F.H.A. and he returned his loan funds to F.H.A. and would have no further use for his range unit. Richard Thompson said Lawrence Thompson is here and he is requesting that lease. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to give it to him since nobody else put in for it. The motion was seconded by Richard LaRoche and carried with six for, none against, and Kay Gourneau absent for vote.

(17)

HOME REPAIR - Lawrence Thompson said that Public Health would like to have a list of the ten homes that are going to be worked on under the Bureau Home Repair Program, so they could submit a proposal on putting in water and sewer for these homes. He said this would supplement the Bureau program and be in addition to the program and that they hoped to get funds to do whatever was needed in the home, either dig a well or put in cistern, and septic tank.

(18)

FAYE JANDREAU REQUEST - Faye said that he wants to borrow money from the bank to pay for silage cutting and the bank wants a guarantee from the Tribe that money will be released from his cattle sales to repay this. J. W. Thompson made a motion to do this and approve the request. The motion was seconded by Alfred Ziegler and carried with six for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent.

(19)

REQUEST FOR LOAN - Gene Wilson said he would like to borrow \$200 to buy tools which he will need when he comes back from Vocational Training in Fargo, N. Dak. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to give it to him. The motion was seconded by Richard LaRoche and carried with six for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent for vote. Grace Estes then left to attend the funeral also.

(20)

PEARL WAKEMAN - Pearl Wakeman came and asked if she could be given a lot on which to build a chapel. She said they would like to have a lot in the mutual housing area. The council referred to a town lot map and discussed this. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give her a lot next to the Mutual Help Housing Area on the north end. The motion was seconded by Sylvester LaRoche and carried with five for and none against, Kay and Grace absent. J. W. Thompson said she could bring her men down and decide on which side of the street to build.

(21)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Richard Thompson stated that we have an invoice from Attorney Larson for \$113.95 for the period of August 17th thru Sept. 16th. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to pay this. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(22)

WEST CENTRAL ELECTRIC EASEMENT - The Chairman stated that West Central Electric wants an easement to move some highlines on tribal land. J. W. Thompson made a motion to grant this easement. The motion was seconded by Richard LaRoche and carried with five for and none against.

(23)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Richard Thompson read the list of approved educational grant applications. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to approve them. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(24)

RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVE - Mr. G. W. Colle, Red Cross Field Representative, came and told what the Red Cross would do in case of a disaster or emergency. He gave examples of help and assistance given by the Red Cross in various areas after tornadoes, floods, and other emergencies. He said that Mr. Ed Tracy is the Chairman for Lyman County, at Kennebec, and he would be the man to contact in case of emergency, and they have authority to start action in which five families or more are involved.

(25)

ANNIE FLUTE - Annie came and said her daughter Avia, and Jeff, wanted their house fixed up but Gerould said it belongs to the Tribe. Kay came back to the meeting and offered to phone Gerould and ask him about this. Annie also asked about the water and said she thought the Tribe agreed to dig a well up there. Richard Thompson said that they have dug there before and came up with dry holes and noone wants to dig. All there is is an alkali seep. She also asked about a loan for Delaine to attend a training school; however this will not be approved until he is accepted at a particular school.

(26)

OMNI CORPORATION - Mr. Whiteley introduced Mr. Roy LaBelle, who is going to manage the plant here, to the council. He asked if the council had a chance to go over the rough draft of the lease agreement. Richard Thompson said that we would send it to our lawyer and have him draft the agreement. Mr. Whiteley said that his attorney was Mr. John Adams and he had a copy of this if they needed to call on him. Mr. Whiteley said they have their equipment ready to move in and would like to have at least six people working by the 15th. He asked again about housing and Richard Thompson advised him to check with the Housing Authority. After some discussion on future plans for expansion, they left to go down to the plant and make tentative agreements on space.

(27)

ELMER PRETTY HEAD - Richard Thompson said we have a letter from Elmer Protty Head requesting to sell his mineral rights, and he wants his home repaired, and wants a two-way radio. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to buy his mineral rights. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against. On home repair, he would have to see Jerauld Jandreau.

(28)

APPOINT ELECTION JUDGE, CLERK AND TELLER - The list of those who served last year was read. Charles Langdeau suggested that new ones be appointed. Those nominated for the districts are as follows: Lower Brule District: Rose McCauly, Judge; Vena Hudson, Clerk; Eunice Crazy Bull, Teller. Fort Hale District: Wilbur Thompson, Judge; Alfred Ziegler, Clerk; Vera Gandt, Teller; Off-Reservation: Mary Middletent, Judge; Susie Doran, Clerk; Phil Byrnos, Teller. Charles Langdeau made a motion to appoint these. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(29)

HALLOWEEN PROGRAM - Baunita Ness asked if the school could have funds for the Halloween Program, and they would like to have \$50. Sylvester LaRoche made a motion to do this. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(30)

PUBLIC HEALTH PHARMACIST - Richard Thompson said that we just got a pharmacist here and now they want to transfer him and if they do, we will not get another pharmacist. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to pass a resolution to keep the pharmacist. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(31)

BUREAU HOME REPAIR PROGRAM - Charles Langdeau said we still need to pick the homes to be repaired. Alfred Ziegler made a motion to pick three in each district, and four in one district. The motion was seconded by Richard LaRoche and carried with five for and none against, J. W. Thompson was called from the room and absent for vote. Charles Langdeau suggested they pick the poorest and people who need it the most. Richard Thompson said that we put in an application for more housing to replace these old ones. J. W. Thompson said there is a lot involved, and made a motion to appoint Charles Langdeau and Richard LaRoche on the committee to pick them. The motion was seconded by Sylvester LaRoche and carried with six for and none against.

(32)

REQUEST FOR APPRAISAL - J. W. Thompson said that George Track called and said the probate on his mother's estate would be the 10th and he wants to sell his interest to the tribe at the appraised value. Charles Langdoau made a motion to have it appraised. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

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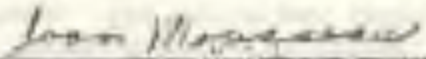
ELECTION - As to the pay for the election judge, clerk and tellers, Alfred Ziegler made a motion to pay them the same as last year. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against. Richard LaRoche made a motion to authorize the Chairman to choose a substitute in the event some of these selected don't want to serve. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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ADJOURNMENT - Richard LaRoche moved to adjourn, seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on October 2, 1968.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

CHALOMAR
SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 1968

A meeting was held at the Superintendent's Office at the Pierre Agency on October 21st at 11:00 a.m. with the following people present:

Richard Thompson, Chairman
Charles Langdeau, Vice-Chairman
J. W. Thompson
Kay Gourneau
Grace Estes
Attorney Bubak
Edward Edzards
Duane Harder
Monte Herting
Joyce Estes
Mr. Lamphries, Attorney for Chalomar

Mr. Carl Smith
Mr. Lloyd Marken

Mr. Edzards stated that Mr. Lamphries has been bringing us up to date on the merger.

Mr. Lamphries: The actual merger was consummated on September 6th of this year. That is between Redcor and Zeltex. When we talked in Denver, the merger agreement was to be on a contingent share where Zeltex would receive more stock if their earnings were good over a period of time. An audit was made of Zeltex' records and they had a loss of \$6,000, so the entire deal was restructured. Zeltex management has been shuffled around and Mr. Anderson is no longer employed by Zeltex and Redcor. There has been a drastic reorganization in the management. As to Chalomar, which is the specific company formed for semi-conductors, as to that company, Redcor acquired the assets only. By that I mean they would pay for assets, off-setting certain liabilities. They would pay for the assets they used; that is what we have been going into with Redcor. The total assets of Chalomar are some \$94,000. This is subject to a lot of negotiation, and this is the lowest figure. He explained that the value of the inventory is in question, that Redcor valued it at \$69,000 rather than the \$93,000 or \$94,000 as was set by the Zeltex auditors. They say since September 30, 1967, Zeltex has advanced to Chalomar the sum of \$76,000 to keep its doors open. They are taking that off as a credit, which leaves a balance of \$16,000 or \$17,000. There are trade payables of \$10 or \$19,000. These are isolated payables.

We are arguing, Bob Robson has been in on this, over the valuation of certain assets. Redcor is inclined to value it at zero. There is a cumbersome arbitration procedure to resolve this difficulty.

As far as continued operation of the plant (Chalomar), Redcor will not continue to operate the plant. Their feeling is they tried every way to keep the plant open and someone in. He said there are too many problems and it is too far away. He refused to operate the plant. He states as one reason that Redcor does their buying from the Far East. He feels there is a larger market, you have more permanent labor supply, and less inherent disadvantages of using tribal labor. Bob Hansen and I tried, and we are still trying, to persuade him, but it is not a pretty picture.

Mr. Lamphries (cont.): I think Chalomar's alternatives are to allow Redcor to acquire its assets, or go into bankruptcy. Either one they don't want. As of this moment, there is no third alternative.

I brought Redcor's annual report of the year ending July 31st, and he read some figures from the balance sheet. He said last year Zeltex had sales of 5 million. Prior year it was 1,465,000. He said last year the loss was \$63,496 compared with a loss of \$400,000 the prior year. (Mr. Edzards received a phone call and Mr. Lamphries paused for him).

Mr. Lamphries: Basically, this last spring, to use Redcor's expression, Zeltex was a bank without money. They had tremendous products, but had tremendous losses and were not generating cash sufficient to go on. They hoped to get in the black for SCC filing. Redcor stock has been dropping. Redcor earnings would be about 65 or 70¢ a share; because they pooled with Zeltex, it would be 19¢ a share. This might have had something to do with the stock drop. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Tasket are no longer with Zeltex. Mr. Hansen has signed a one year employment contract, but it is anticipated that he will be no longer with Zeltex at the end of the year. Also, Jerry Collins will be with them. He is a sophisticated engineer.

What this means to the Tribe is that the plant will be closing down as far as Zeltex is concerned. The Indian desk will have to be compromised. He said between \$7500 or \$20,000, depending on the final figure, could be salvaged.

Mr. Edzards: What is Chalomar's future?

Lamphries: Unless the assets are acquired by Redcor as outlined and taking credit for advances, my guess would be they would file bankruptcy. He said Zeltex had put over \$300,000 into Chalomar to keep it going. The old Zeltex, as we know it, is no longer in existence. The old Zeltex is dissolved and Redcor's subsidiary acquired this. He said he wished he had better news. He said that Anderson is a part owner in the Eldorado Manufacturing Corp. and he plans on investigating the possibility of keeping the plant open and would consider doing manufacturing for that company here.

Lamphries: The Redcor people have taken the position that some of the inventory is not usable for more than one year. If the inventory cannot be used within a year, it should be written off. This is something they are negotiating on. Like the Baita Testor (oscilloscope). Marken said that is a \$1600 machine. Lamphries: They are trying to write that off as valueless. We are still negotiating several of these points with Redcor. The inventory was out of proportion to the gross sales. They couldn't justify the high inventory and they wrote off a lot. Two year old items that still weren't sold, simply will not be sold and were written off.

The amounts owed were reviewed. Mr. Edzards said if they go with Redcor, the maximum they would get would be \$20,000. The amount owed the Lower Brule Tribe is \$37,000 which does not include rent. \$17,000 is owed the Crow Creek Tribe. \$48,000 is figure Joyce has on what they owe us including rent and interest.

Lamphries: There has been paid out in payroll \$68,112 through the week of October 12th. They tried, and we tried to keep the plant open and interest Redcor in it. They simply will not do it.

(Attorney Bubak arrived and apologized for being late)

Mr. Edzards summarized for Attorney Bubak. He said the picture has changed completely from what took place in Denver. They have left Chalomar to its own.

Lamphries: The big factor is earnings per share, is critical. Redcor earnings went from 68¢ a share to 19¢ simply as a result of the Zeltex acquisition. They thought there is just no way they could sustain another \$300,000 debt load, which the acquisition of Chalomar would cost. He said the books and records of Chalomar are open to anyone who would like to inspect them. They are in Concord.

Lamphries: Didn't want to contribute the loss because of the Indian operation. This is not it at all. He said the article is excellent, but any company that spends 20¢ on \$1.00 for research is bound to have a good product, but they can't stay in business too long. They are engineering oriented instead of management oriented.

Lamphries: Zeltex and Redcor have merged. They would not acquire Chalomar's debts. Chalomar is bankrupt in that they couldn't pay their debts. \$7500 to \$20,000 would be the assets which could be salvaged.

Elderado Engineering is the Company Anderson is now with. It is the company Bob has started and is partner and owner. Last Friday he and I and Bob Robson met and both of them stated that they would do their damndest to utilize the plant here.

Marken: The thing that amazes me about this is that around or about October 11th we started getting large shipments of supplies such as capillaries. They are \$1.65 each and we got two shipments of eighty each. We got everything except the chips. IT amazes me that we have the stuff to work with, but we can't work without the chips. One thing that hurt us is that we got some chips that were incorrectly tested or something. In this type of work, the slightest imperfection can make them bad.

Attorney Bubak asked Lamphries if he had a firm proposal to make. Lamphries said his firm proposal would be \$7500. Bubak asked what they owed us. Joyce Estes said \$48,000 is her figure, which is rent and principal and interest. Lamphries said \$34,416 to Lower Brule, not including rent and Crow Creek is \$19,243.

Bubak: It is impossible for me to make an analysis or judgment right now. I don't have the situation or files. I have never received any audit or anything.

Lamphries: There are audits as of June, 1968. Mr. Marken said he filed the annual report the 26th of September.

Bubak: I don't know what kind of compromise was made, or is it right to say Chalomar took over the assets of Cal-Dak. He asked if they made themselves personally liable. Mr. Edzards indicated no.

Lamphries: \$20,000 would be the most they could realize.

Bubak: That would be about 30¢ on \$1.00-; He asked if they were going bankrupt. A receivership would force it to be a more public type thing with a public sale and bidders, instead of just one buyer.

Lamphries: The disadvantage of this would be that the inventory is such that it is not readily usable. Redcor has accepted the inventory figure of \$69,404. \$24,000 is in dispute and they are still negotiating on this.

It was agreed that there was a carry over between Cal-Dak and Chalomar.

Lamphries: Chalomar are sales oriented to Zeltex. Without Zeltex, Chalomar as such would close business. It would be dissolved and pass out of existence.

Lamphries outlined Chalomar's liabilities as follows:

Zeltex: \$76,000 + \$173,000 which was advanced prior to Sept. 1967.
10,000 trade payables
+ the Indian desk.

Bubak asked what was the government's position

Edzards: Said he didn't know how to cut it to make it sound any better. Our position was that we knew they were behind in their payments and weren't paying their rent. We didn't know what to do, whether to say pay it or get out, or let it ride and hope for the best. We were optimistic for some time.

Lamphries: You have the man Bob Anderson, and I know he means what he says that he may be able to utilize the plant someday. Robson said the same thing.

Duane Harder asked when they would get the final figure.

Lamphries: They are having a meeting Wednesday morning and they want it layed out, yes or no.

Marken asked if he was supposed to close the plant immediately. Lamphries said yes, and advised him to call Mr. Hansen and see if they were to work the week out. Mr. Marken said he just wanted to be sure they weren't working for nothing.

Mr. Edzards: We would need to decide whether what is in Lower Brule is worth more, or whether we would be ahead to let it go.

Richard Thompson: Before we can decide, we need that final figure.

Bubak: I don't think these people are just on the listening end. If my figures are correct, there is going to be a three to one breakdown in bankruptcy too. So these people will need to have some time to think this over.

Lamphries said he realized this.

Bubak: If an offer were made, say the indebtedness here is \$60,000; according to the assets and liabilities, if my math is correct, bankruptcy would provide \$20,000. That is three to one (30¢ on \$1.00) This settlement in compromise is going to have to be reasonable. We have one willing buyer in this. I don't know, through bankruptcy maybe we would have more.

Lamphries said he didn't know, because the requirements of each company are so different.

Lamphries: They may be able to say \$7500 is the settlement they would propose. Then they might say if you think this is worth more, take it and go sell it. They have agreed that if they continue to give no value on some items, they may let us keep them.

Bubak: We must consider our position of being away from this and with one willing buyer. We could go and get other offers.

Mr. Edzards asked how much time we had to decide, if we had an option.

Lamphries: The figures will probably be from \$1100 to \$12,500 with the optimum of \$20,000. I talked with Dick and said I would like to be able to make an offer. The only one he could make would be \$10,000. The only other would have to come from the figures, and I doubt if it would be higher than \$10,000.

Bubak: It comes out three to one on paper.

Lamphries: We must consider that Zeltex has a secured position.

Bubak: On any offer of settlement, I would assume the tribes would split that pro-rata. We could make a decision for Lower Brule but couldn't for Crow Creek.

Bubak: You can do it the easy way or the hard way. The hard way would be to make them go through bankruptcy and prove everything. Then sell the whole thing at a public auction. That is the hard way, and the decision has to be made. The advantages of a public sale are obvious over a private sale.

Lamphries: Also, Redcor thinks they could steal it at a bankruptcy.

Attorney Bubak and Lamphries reviewed the 1968 Annual Report of Redcor and discussed the value of the stock, capital gains as against earnings

Richard Thompson asked Mr. Lamphries if he wanted a decision on the \$10,000. Lamphries said he would like one.

Mr. Edzards said we would practically have to investigate and take a look at the inventory in the plant and see which way to go. We could possibly know by Wednesday.

Lamphries said he would call back on Wednesday with an exact figure. It might be cash and they might also allow us a certain amount of property. Chalomar would attempt to sell this with the proceeds to the Indians.

Bubak: Would rather see a full cash value.

Lamphries: Anyone would. The bottom figure is \$7500. The best possible would be \$20,000. I have a feeling Wednesday it will not be much over \$10,000. There is \$24,000 worth of inventory which Redcor is giving no value and they don't even want it. Chalomar and Zeltex say it might not be worth \$24,000, but it is worth something.

Lamphries: The Chalomar assets, unusable are \$15,400. The useable assets in California are \$14,076; \$6,775 are the assets at Lower Brule according to their figures. The \$6,000 plus the \$14,000 would be the \$20,000 they have offered for the fixed assets.

Lamphries said he would call Wednesday at the Tribal Office at Lower Brule with the exact figure.

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MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 1968

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on November 6, 1968, and was called to order at 10:50 a.m. by the Chairman, Richard Thompson, with roll call as follows:

Present
Richard Thompson, Chairman
Charles Langdeau, Vice-Chairman
Grace Estes, Chaplain
Sylvester LaRoche, Sgt. at Arms
Kay Gourneau
J. W. Thompson
Alfred Ziegler

Absent
Richard LaRoche, Jr.

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Grace Estes.

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APPROVE MINUTES - Alfred Ziegler made a motion to approve the minutes of meetings held on October 2nd and 14th. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none opposing.

(2)

CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING - The minutes of a credit committee meeting held on October 23rd were read and copies were distributed to the council. The Credit Committee recommended approval of Fay Jandreau's request to keep some of his calves and defer the loan repayment till next year and make a double payment th. Clarence Thompson, Jr.'s farm equipment loan and the store loan were also mentioned. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the committee recommendations. The motion was seconded by Sylvester LaRoche and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Richard Thompson said that they need to know the participants and location of the sites for this housing, and they need a resolution from the Tribe that if they are built on scattered sites, the tribe would agree to move them if the renter fails to meet his payments. Charles Langdeau stated that George Tlustos would be coming, and that this be tabled until he arrives.

Richard Thompson asked if anyone had any old business to bring up, and if not suggested we adjourn till 1:00. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alfred Ziegler and carried with six for and none against. (Dinner was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

Richard Thompson called the meeting back to order at 1:00 and asked that everyone who is not on the council, except Mr. Edzards, leave as this would be a closed session for the election of officers. He said it had been a pleasure to serve on this council and hoped that they would continue to move ahead in the future. He then turned the meeting over to Mr. Edzards and he left.

Mr. Edzards said a few words of farewell to the old council, especially to Richard LaRoche, who has been on the council ever since he has been old enough to be on it. He said it is a place of responsibility and should be taken seriously, as many peoples' future depend on what we do or don't do and the way we do it. He said it has been a pleasure to work with the Brule council as they are known for their efficiency in getting things done for progress.

(4)

OATH OF OFFICE - Mr. Edzards asked the three new council members to come forward. Orville Langdeau, Andrew Estes, and Clarence Thompson came forward and took the oath of office, and swore to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. The new council took their seats and the old council members left.

(5)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Mr. Edzards said the floor was open for nominations for chairman. Orville Langdeau made a motion to nominate Andrew Estes for Chairman. Kay Gourneau seconded the motion. Mr. Edzards said he didn't think a nomination needed a second. J. W. Thompson moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau. Mr. Edzards said all in favor of closing nominations to raise their hand and it carried with seven for and none against, and Andrew Estes was declared elected. Andrew asked Mr. Edzards to stay for the rest of the election.

Charles Langdeau nominated Clarence Thompson for Vice-Chairman. Orville Langdeau nominated Kay Gourneau for Vice-Chairman. J. W. Thompson moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with seven for and none against. A vote was taken by ballot resulting with four votes for Clarence and three for Kay. Clarence Thompson was declared as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Edzards called for nominations for Secretary-Treasurer. Charles Langdeau nominated Kay Gourneau. Clarence Thompson nominated Mrs. Grace Estes. Kay moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with seven for and none against. The ballot resulted in four votes for Kay and three for Grace. Kay Gourneau was declared as Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Edzards called for nominations for Sergeant at Arms. Charles Langdeau nominated J. W. Thompson. Clarence Thompson nominated Charles Langdeau. Kay Gourneau moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with seven for and none against. The ballot resulted in four votes for J. W. Thompson and three for Charles. J. W. Thompson was declared Sergeant at Arms.

J. W. Thompson nominated Grace Estes for Chaplain. Grace said she would decline the nomination. Charles Langdeau nominated Orville Langdeau. J. W. Thompson moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with seven for and none against, and Orville was declared Chaplain.

Mr. Edzards turned the meeting over to Andrew Estes. Andrew thanked everyone, and took the Chairman's position.

(6)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT OFFER AND CANCELLATION OF LEASE - Mr. Edzards brought the new council up to date on Chalomar. Copies of minutes of a special meeting held on October 21st with Mr. Lamphries, Attorney for Chalomar, were distributed to the new council members. Mr. Edzards explained how Cal-Dak had merged with Chalomar and operated as a subsidiary of Zeltex. Approximately six months ago, Zeltex was in financial difficulty and they had to merge with another company or go under. Zeltex has now merged with Redcor; however, they are not interested in acquiring Chalomar, that Chalomar's debts are more than their assets and their net worth is very little. The decision the tribe is now faced with is whether to accept their offer of settlement, or to reject it and force bankruptcy and take what we can get in bankruptcy. It appears that either way we are going to take a loss. The council had tentatively agreed to accept the settlement offer, providing they furnish us with a certified audit which verifies the true financial picture as represented to us. Mr. Edzards said they now had the audit and that a Bureau auditor and Attorney Bubak would go over it. Kay Gourneau also mentioned the equipment down there and that they shouldn't take it out and that Omni could use some of it. Mr. Edzards mentioned also that Omni would like to have some kind of a lease and the council needed to decide whether to officially cancel out the old lease and negotiate a new lease. J. W. Thompson made a motion to cancel the present Chalomar lease. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

EDUCATION MEETING - Mr. Edzards said that Mr. Charles N. Zellers, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Education, would be at the Pierre Boarding School on November 14th and would like to meet with our Education Committee or someone from the council. Grace Estes volunteered to attend this meeting as she is interested in education.

(8)

REQUEST TO BREAK GROUND, 80 ACRES - J. W. Thompson asked permission to break up 80 acres of grazing land which he leases and to put in alfalfa. He said he had discussed this with Mr. McCollough, and he thought it would be ok. Charles Langdeau made a motion to give him permission to break up this 80 acres. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none opposing.

(9)

ENROLLMENT - J. W. Thompson said he had one more thing to straighten out. During the last council's term of office, Dorothy Swift Hawk Tapley requested enrollment of her daughter Mary, and we had a tie vote on it. He said he made a considerable investigation on it and guess the child is eligible. Grace Estes said she thought that we should have broken the tie that day because reliable people had signed that affidavit concerning her residence. J. W. Thompson made a motion to enroll the child, Mary Tapley. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against. (J. W. Thompson asked to be excused as he had to go to Oklahoma.)

Two other enrollment applications were received and reviewed by the enrollment committee. Shawn Allen LaRoche, son of Diane and Antoine LaRoche, Jr., and Renee Lynette Bingen, daughter of Delilah (Blacksmith) and Noel Dean Bingen. Grace Estes made a motion to enroll them. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(10)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - Carl Smith said that they need to submit the dates of our annual fair and rodeo or any other activities we have planned and that this information should be sent into Washington before December 10th so that it could be included in the booklet of Indian Activities which they put out. Andrew Estes said we should have a special meeting and get the fair committee together on that.

(11)

LEWIS AND CLARK TRAIL COMMISSION - Carl Smith said that he left a copy of a bill concerning the Lewis and Clark Trail Commission and that there would be hearings on this in Portland, Oregon on November 20th and if there is anything we would like changed on this we should let them know.

(12)

REQUESTS FOR LOANS - Barbara McGee came to the council and said she was coming to ask the same thing she asked last month. She said she asked the bank, but they don't loan downpayments. She was asking to borrow \$300 for a down payment on a trailer house. The council discussed this and the status of the small loan fund, which is presently all loaned out and isn't being repaid. Two other requests for loans were read, one from Frank Metcalf for \$250 for house rental, and one from James Estes for \$250 for tools for his son. Orville Langdeau made a motion to look into the loan business and take it up with the credit committee and see whether something can be worked out or just stick to just cattle and small business loans. Andrew Estes suggested these requests be tabled until we have a special meeting of the Credit Committee and the committee members were appointed. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against, Grace Estes and J. W. Thompson absent.

(13)

PEARL WAKEMAN, REQUEST FOR LOTS - Pearl Wakeman said she was here in October and they allowed her two lots over in the Mutual Housing Area. She said the men from her Church were down and selected two lots on the north end next to Judy Driving Hawk Whitney's, and she wanted approval of these two lots. Clarence Thompson made a motion to approve her request for two lots, Lots #17 and 18 of the Karl Mundt Addition, and to go ahead and build on them. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for, one, Grace Estes, not voting, J. W. Thompson absent.

(14)

MUTUAL HOUSING - Abe Langdeau said the houses which are being transferred to the Housing Authority will be complete by the 15th of this month, but there is a possibility that small items which may include painting and touching up on interiors could run over this period, so he asked the council to extend the Welfare Work Training Program after the transfer has been complete, until the end of the month, November. The council discussed this and Charles Langdeau made a motion to ok his request for an extension of the work program to the end of November. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against. Abe said that during the last meeting he recommended to set aside an insurance form called the general form status inquiry. He read from the contract the provision that the seller shall remedy any defects which shall appear within one year from the date of settlement, and he recommended that the Travelers Insurance Indemnity Company be informed through the general form status inquiry that the insurance policy is to cover the one year period after the settlement or completion. Orville Langdeau made a motion to authorize Abe on behalf

of the Tribe to take care of that. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

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PUBLIC HEALTH, WATER FOR HOMES - Lawrence Thompson introduced Mr. Toby Wise, who is his supervisor. He said they had been touring the reservation and looking over the houses and discussing projects which they might get here. Mr. Wise spoke with the council at great length and discussed many things. He said they will be starting a survey, which will be involved with conditions around the home, size of house and rooms, water, accident hazards, rodent control, number of dogs, storage of medicine, and a complete type of survey. He said many people get tired of surveys, but in any kind of a program, there has to be statistics to justify funding, and the only way they can get this is to go out to the people and converse with them. He said he had a copy of our dog ordinance and it was good and said that they had a rabies control program at Rosebud. He said we might also consider that they have a commitment from the University of S. Dak. on purchasing stray dogs, and if we get a supply of dogs, they would buy them for medical research at \$5.00 apiece, and we might consider this instead of shooting them. He said that Public Health put out a booklet, the Homeowners Guide, which gave much information as to how to fix a leaky faucet, and other things around the home. He said in evaluating the Public Health Programs, an important aspect was utilization of facilities and he said that many facilities put in by Public Health weren't being used. He gave an example of bathroom facilities which were not being used because of the cost of filling the cistern. He asked if the council had any questions. Charles Langdeau asked if Public Health were going to put water and sewer in the ten homes that are going to be repaired under the B.I.A. Home Improvement Program. This was discussed and Mr. Wise said they would. Funds were discussed and it was mentioned that they were requested to try to limit the number of wells or facilities on H.I.P. to make more funds available for Turn-Key Housing in the spring. The problems and expense of getting water to rural homes was discussed at great length. Mr. Wise said that when they consider getting water to about forty homes and they have only so much money, they couldn't spend too much on one home. He told of the various projects on other reservations and problems they had encountered and told of one place where they drilled seven dry holes and couldn't get water, so instead they had to put in cisterns for these seven homes. He said they did get a well in a park nearby and were trying to work out a cooperative where they could maintain their own water truck for hauling water and could have it hauled cheaper than by commercial methods. Mr. Wise said that many people, when they were asked about electricity, getting kids to school and walking to and from bus routes, getting out for medical assistance, and expense of transportation to and from work, and water, were reconsidering and getting housing in town.

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TURN-KEY HOUSING - Turn-key housing was also discussed. Mr. Tlustos said that if we want to get started in the spring, we need to get our program reservation approved by January. This means getting the applications completed by each person, getting an agreement if it is on allotted or deeded land that the land would be leased until the houses are paid for, and also a resolution is needed from the Tribe agreeing that if houses are built in rural areas, that the Tribe will agree to move the house in the event the participant fails to meet his obligation, or the house cannot be rented. Andrew Estes suggested setting up

a general meeting with the people this month to explain this housing program, and to assist those interested in completing the necessary application form. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution agreeing to move the house if not rented. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. The date of November 20th, Wednesday evening, at 7:00 was set for the general meeting.

(17)

HOME-REPAIR-PROGRAM - George Trustos said that he would like to get some pictures of the homes that are going to be repaired. Andrew Estes designated Charles Langdeau and Clarence Thompson to go around and inspect and take pictures.

(18)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Andrew Estes said we had a bill from Attorney Larson for \$100. covering the period of Sept. 17 thru October 16th. Charles Langdeau moved to pay this, seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none opposed.

(19)

REQUESTS FOR APPRAISALS - Andrew Estes said that we have three requests for land sales, and we need appraisals on the land. The requests are from Ida Frazier Immel, Frank Metcalf, and Tom Felecia. Kay Gourneau said also an appraisal is needed on Amy Two Hawk's land that she is selling to Baunita Ness. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request appraisals on these four land sales. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(20)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT - One educational grant application was received for a high school grant for Carol Lee Goodface. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve this. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(21)

REQUEST FOR BUFFALO FOR CONVOCATION - A letter was read from Joseph Blacksmith, Convocation Chairman, requesting a buffalo for the coming Episcopalian convocation to be held in July. Grace said she thought this usually came up in January. Orville Langdeau made a motion to write to Mr. Holm and find out if we will get it again this year and then we could answer this letter. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for, none against, Kay Gourneau absent for vote.

(22)

REQUEST TO SELL MINERAL RIGHTS - A letter was received from Mrs. Alice Blair concerning the sale of mineral rights. It was agreed to refer this to Joe Brewer to determine if she has reserved these rights.

(23)

GRANT PERMISSION TO PLANT TREES - Charles Langdeau said that Dallas Gifford had seen Mr. McCoil and wanted to plant some trees on tribal land which he is leasing, in Section 18, east of his place. Charles Langdeau made a motion to grant permission for him to do this. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(24)

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE - A letter was received from the State Department of Public Welfare in Pierre requesting a Christmas donation. Grace Estes suggested this be tabled until we have more information on it. A notice of a banquet to be held at Watertown, by the Boy Scouts, Pheasant Council was received, and to be referred to Rev. Howard.

(25)

ADJOURNMENT - Grace Estes made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on November 6, 1968.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 1968

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak. on November 18, 1968. The meeting was called to order at about 1:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, with the following members present:

Present
Andrew Estes, Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
J. W. Thompson
Grace Estes

Absent
Clarence Thompson, Sr.
Charles Langdeau

Others Present
Attorney Ed Bubak
Mr. Edward Edzards
Mr. Carl Smith

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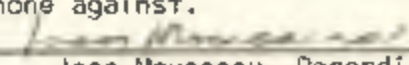
CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - The meeting was called to further discuss the Chalomar settlement offer, for the amounts owed the Tribes, in view of the audit report which the B.I.A. auditor and Attorney Bubak had reviewed. Attorney Bubak said the financial reports and audits furnished are inadequate and that it looked like someone was trying to pull a fast one on the Tribe. He said the Tribe should explore the possibility that the property on which we hold a first mortgage might be worth much more than the \$10,000 offer. He said that it was their opinion, his and Attorney Larson's, that the first thing that should be done is to have an intelligent appraisal made on the personal property on which we have a first mortgage, both here and in California. Then, if the property is worth more than \$10,000, we could see what we have to do to get the property. They could give us a bill of sale for that and we could sell it at a legal auction. The council discussed this at great length and the cost of legal services. Orville Langdeau made a motion that Attorney Bubak be delegated along with someone else to make an appraisal of the property in California, and to start foreclosure proceedings. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against. Mr. Edzards asked if someone was going to reply to Mr. Lemphres letter asking for an answer, yes or no, to the offer of settlement, and Mr. Bubak indicated he would be willing to do this. Kay Gourneau made a motion to authorize Mr. Bubak to reply to Mr. Lemphres letter. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes. Mr. Bubak said that he thought it would be necessary to have the appraisers take a look at the property, and would recommend that the council authorize one council member to go along. Kay amended her motion to include this, and to delegate Orville as he is familiar with this. The amendment was seconded by Grace Estes and the motion as amended carried with four for and none against.

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DARLENE DEWITT FIRE - Grace Estes said that we all knew that Darlene and Lenora DeWitt were burned out in Reliance. She said they had seen Mr. Fletcher about moving into one of our new houses on a rental basis. He prorated the rent from the 1st of November and it would be \$31.87. She made a motion that the council help out with this amount. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

(3)

ADJOURNMENT - Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.


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J. W. Thompson	<u>Others Present</u>
Grace Estes	Attorney Ed Bubak
	Mr. Edward Edzards
	Mr. Carl Smith

Andrew called on Mr. Edzards. Mr. Edzards read a letter from Mr. Lempres requesting an answer to his letter of October 30th. This letter of October 30th was asking for an answer to their offer of \$10,000 as settlement. They wanted a firm decision as to whether it was yes or no. Mr. Edzards said we received a copy of a certified audit covering the period ending December, 1967, and an uncertified audit from that time to the present. Mr. Edzards read what was said in regards to the audit by the Area Office. "This is in reply to your letter transmitting audit and balance sheet for Zeltex and Chalomar requesting that we review and comment as to their compromise offer in settlement. It is difficult to make a determination as to whether the settlement offer of \$10,000 is in the best interests of the Tribes; however, the indications are that the companies are in financial straits. If the financial data furnished is correct, they are without adequate funds to cover their debts. The cost factor for legal services as opposed to settlement, should be the main consideration in making a decision." Mr. Edzards said the audit shows the net worth having gone down \$297,000 in a one year period. This is as much information as I have and I would say that, judging from the economic end, and assuming the audit is correct, it looks like what was presented was a fact and they are in that bad a shape.

Bubak: Began by saying that Mr. Langdeau was not exposed to as much of this as I think he would have liked to have been. I have some other interpretations of these supposed facts you have been presented with. My interpretations are going to be a little different. In reviewing this matter, I have reviewed it with John Larson, your number one attorney, and for the past six months I have been fairly close to this. We reviewed the entire matter and I am just going to share with you some of the facts we think we found: We found that in 1965 these assets, personal property, optical benches, and different things, should have been worth \$53,000 because the Tribe took mortgages on them for \$53,000. I am just talking about the property the Tribe has a first lien on. In 1966 these assets were worth at least \$25,000 because that is what the contract recites. The horribly inadequate financial reports you have been supplied with by Mr. Lempres, who is not just an attorney. At one time he was Vice-President of Chalomar, show that these assets should be worth \$32,000.

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Attorney Bubak: (continued) My point is that you are asked to settle and split with Crow Creek for \$10,000. This just doesn't stand up as far as I am concerned when we have been talking about \$53,000, \$25,000, and \$33,000 and this is just property which you have a lien against. If anyone tried to sell it without your consent or the consent of the Tribes, they could easily be prosecuted for a felony or high grade misdemeanor.

I discussed with Mr. Langdeau for a few short minutes just what these assets might be that you have a mortgage on, and in going down the list, he was able to point out where just one item asset might have a value of \$1,000 or \$1500; Another one perhaps \$700 and he is familiar only with what assets you have here, not what you have out in California.

I can get just as technical and detailed as you want me to. I don't know whether I should go into that, but I can sum up what our legal opinion is. In our opinion, a fast one is trying to be pulled on you. A very fast one. And it is our opinion that the first thing that should be done is to have an intelligent appraisal made on the personal property on which you have a first mortgage, both here and in California. Once we have an opinion on what this property may be worth, you might be able to decide whether it was worth \$56,000 in 1965 is worth less than \$10,000 today. Second, we are of the opinion that you will find that the property is worth at least \$10,000 and that you should foreclose your mortgage. This would have to be done in two states - in South Dakota and California - and that you should force sale to the highest bidder, or bid it in yourself, and further that your other legal and valid claims for loans, interest, rent and water and sewer could thereafter be pursued with Cal-Dak and its successors, as well as Chalomar and its successors. Now I am ready for questions. - Oh yes, one other comment. I will refer to the letter from the B.I.A. The final decision whether to accept the offer rests with the Tribe. "The cost factor for legal services vs. recovery should be the prime factor in determining whether to settle." The legal aspects, you have \$75,000 and I get paid \$15 an hour for working for you, and if Chalomar wants to do it the hard way, they either give us our property back, or they can do it the hard way and we would need to hire an attorney in California to foreclose our interests for us. I cannot give an exact figure on that, but it would be nowhere near \$10,000 or \$70,000, I can tell you that. Further, we do have some people we can trust in the San Francisco Area to give us aid in this matter if assistance is needed out there. One of the gentlemen is currently a member of the Supreme Court in California; and the other is a fellow who used to work with the M.Q. Sharpe Law Firm, of which I am a member. He is Chief of the legal staff for the Internal Revenue Service in California, so it isn't as if we would be walking out there asking for directions. Redcor has something on this, to offer you \$10,000. Nobody has found out yet what it is, why they would offer you \$10,000.

We think things just don't jibe, and we think you should seriously explore the possibility of the property you hold a mortgage against being worth much more than \$10,000.

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J. W. Thompson asked Mr. Bubak where he got the \$70,000 figure. Bubak said they gave us the figure of \$68,00 and there were rents and things due. He assumed in the meantime it had gone well over that because of interest alone. Without adding certain interest in and without water and sewer, it was \$65,000 on June 6th.

Attorney Bubak: I might add, when I discussed this with John, he was insistant that I make it clear to this council that it looked like someone was trying to take you and you should look into it further.

Mr. Edzards: Asked the legal connection, the original loans were made to Cal-Dak; does the liability of Cal-Dak pass to Chalomar and eventually Zeltex by reason of this agreement?

Attorney Bubak: The original agreements were to Cal-Dak and they sold their interests to Chalomar. The end result is that the property passed subject to the mortgage. Chalomar was to be held free and blameless from the debts of Cal-Dak. There is a number of things you can do. You can foreclose on the property because there is no way they can pass title. Also, their obligations due you can be done in several ways; you can sue them or force them into bankruptcy. That would be Federal bankruptcy and wouldn't cost you much at all. In 1966 the property was sold from Cal-Dak to Chalomar for \$25,000. It is carried on their balance sheets today at \$33,000.

Mr. Edzards asked if part of that was the \$18,000 loaned to them. Bubak said that he didn't have the original copies of the contract and he couldn't find Exhibit G, D, and E.

Mr. Edzards said there was also a question on that \$23,000. Bubak said that is back in the never, never land, like when \$43,000 went down the drain in one year.

Attorney Bubak: Here is something screwy on the balance sheets. There is no legal word, nor accounting word, "advances". It shows Zeltex \$235,000; then \$240,000. What category do you put that in? That is one-quarter of a million dollars they want Zeltex to get reimbursed for. We don't know if that is secured or not. They want you to stand in line with all the other creditors and you don't have to, because you are a secured creditor. If you sign a settlement, you will have no legal recourse again. We also saw something that this proposed merger is contingent on closing up Cal-Dak, Chalomar and you. Probably the thing that concerns us most in trying to analyze this for you is that this information is so skimpy.

J. W. Thompson: Roughly speaking, what will the legal cost be?

Bubak: I recommend that this be in phases, steps one, two and three. Maybe we would never go to step 3. Step One would be to get the value of the property. If the property is worth more than \$10,000, then we go to Step 2 and see what we have to do to get property. They could give us a bill of sale for that, or we could go through the proceedings of selling it at a legal auction. It would cost you \$15 an hour. The foreclosure of the South Dakota mortgage would be at

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that same rate as our monthly deal with the Tribe. I can't imagine how it would run more than \$1,000 to have the foreclosure run out in California. We wouldn't even be thinking of that until the appraisal is made. I don't think you should be scared because of the legal bill because ours won't be that large, and we would select the lawyers in California and have them tied down before they did anything for you. There would be no \$25,000 or \$30,000 fee connected with this.

Edzards: You have talked of the mortgage listing. Do you have any knowledge of the worth?

Orville Langdeau: A lot of the stuff we don't have. Kay Gourneau: Mr. Whitely from Onni would give us an appraisal of what is here.

Bubak: None of that is to be removed from this reservation.

Kay: He said he could use a lot of it and would pay for it.

Bubak: I think a fair, independent appraisal could be had. But I don't just think of people's names to appraise this. The only thing I recognize is a hot plate. It isn't as though you would be stuck with a whole bunch of equipment either. You could have a fair sale of it. Of course this is after the appraisal is made. It might cost \$100 or \$200 to have a man appraise it.

Grace Estes: She said she thought it was worth it, because we have been took so much on it now. Bubak agreed that this was a bad experience, when everyone has tried so hard to get industry.

Orville Langdeau: I would like to make a motion that foreclosure proceedings be started and that Mr. Bubak be delegated along with someone else to make an appraisal of the property in California. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau. Bubak: Could I ask you to amend that a little to ask that an appraisal be made first. Then you wouldn't be committed on foreclosure if the appraisal comes up to only \$5,000. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried with four for and none against.

Carl Smith: They might be able to get someone through S.B.A. or E.D.A. to get an appraisal made where it might not cost you anything. I know they have people who have retired and they help out. It is possible that we might get that service done for nothing.

Mr. Edzards: There is a difference too in the appraisal and a willing buyer.

Attorney Bubak: Any appraisal would be at fair market value. They would take into consideration obsolescence, etc. This offer of Mr. Smith's, I don't think it should go unheeded, but would also like to explore the possibilities of getting an independent appraiser out in California through our contacts there. We think through these other sources and men in high places, could lead us to the appropriate parties.

Mr. Edzards: Also, Mr. Langdeau might be able to give a quote on most of these items, except for a few items. He said also that he would assume that the Tribe or someone should reply to this letter.

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Attorney Bubak: I would be happy to reply if the Tribe would want me to, and would suggest that we have a visit because I would like to have the appraisers look at the property instead of a sheet of paper. This property that was valued at \$35,000 in 1965, \$25,000 in 1966 shrinks to about \$6,000, this Tribe's share of that \$10,000. What happened to all that stuff.

Kay Gourneau made a motion to authorize Bubak to reply to Mr. Lempres letter. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes.

Bubak: If it becomes necessary, I think it is going to be necessary to personally have these appraisers take a look at this property. In that event, I would recommend that the council authorize one council member to go along, someone who is familiar with it. He said he would urge the council to ok something like that.

Andrew asked if they wanted to include that in the motion.

Kay said she would like to, and to delegate Orville as he is familiar with this. The amendment was seconded by Grace Estes and the motion carried with four for, none opposed.

Bubak: What I will be doing now is to make phone calls to the people I mentioned, and Carl will make calls to ask for S.B.A. appraiser, then he will have to get everyone together.

Carl Smith: I talked to Bill and Jigg's one time about contacting Redcor and Zeltex was going in with Redcore. I sent Redcor some information about us being an area where we have preferential treatment on government contracts, and told him about our industrial park. He said he got a letter back from Redcor, signed by Mr. Fuller, the President. He read the letter which thanked Carl for sending the information and saying they would keep this in mind for the future, but unfortunately at the moment he couldn't give any encouragement.

Mr. Edzards: At the last meeting, a motion was given to cancel the lease and he asked if this would interfere.

Bubak recommended that this be withheld pending our investigation.

J. W. Thompson asked about Omni occupying the building.

Bubak: Said he would advise holding off on a formal lease until we get something worked out. He said not to worry about violating something in taking over the building, as they are in no position to complain. He said the lease is a part of the contract and we couldn't void it. He recommended that we could have an informal agreement with Omni on the lease, and could lease it to them on a month to month basis until this is settled.

Bubak: Said our contract was not just between the Tribe, it is between the U. S. Government.

Orville asked about Crow Creek's ideas on this settlement. Mr. Edzards said he thought they agreed to leave it up to us and Bubak, who is attorney for both tribes. Bubak mentioned they might also like to foot part of this bill.

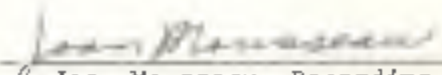
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DARLENE DEWITT FIRE - Grace Estes said we all knew that Darlene Dewitt's were burned out in Reliance. She said they had seen Mr. Fletcher about moving into one of our new houses on a rental basis. He prorated the rent to the 18th of November and would be \$26.87 for rent plus a \$5.00 security deposit, making a total of \$31.87. She made a motion that the council help out with this amount. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

ADJOURNMENT - Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of a Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on November 18, 1968.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
GENERAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
November 20, 1968

A general meeting was held at St. Mary's Hall in Lower Brule, S. Dak. on November 20th, 1968 and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 7:30 p.m. with the following people in attendance:

Council members present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau

Absent

Clarence Thompson
Grace Estes
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau

Others present:

George Tlustos, B.I.A. Housing Officer
Myrtle Thompson
Bessie Estes
Baunita and Mitt Ness
Abe Langdeau
Vera Gandt
Mable Paterson
Gayle and Alfred Ziegler
Velda and Fred LaRoche
Marilyn Harmon
Jerauld and Sheri Jandreau
Rose and Ted McCauly
Pat Durkin
Joseph Skunk
Lee Gourneau
Geraldine Rodriguez
Emma Badinse
James Stricker
Eunice Crazy Bull
William Fire Cloud
Bessie Grassrope
Roy LaBelle

Present:

Owen Good Face (interpreter)
Amy and Jonah Small
Lillian White
Dorothy Jones
Helen and Delmer Smith
Pearl LaRoche
Amy and Joe Two Hawk
Roberta and Fay Jandreau
Dean Jandreau
Madeline Eagle Thunder
Alex Joseph
Caroline Touche
Corine and Cepha's Good Face
Silas Black Dog
Joe and Grace Blacksmith
Sylvester LaRoche
Patty and Levi Flute
Eunice Good Face
Rev. Holland
Lawrence and Daisy Thompson
(and others)

The chairman, Andrew Estes, called the meeting to order and turned the floor over to Mr. George Tlustos on Turn-Key Housing. He also said that Owen Good Face would interpret for anyone who wanted it.

Mr. Tlustos began by explaining that all the funds for housing come from the Housing Assistance Administration, through the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, and the office for our Area is in Chicago. He said in discussing this tonight, he would just refer to Chicago, rather than H.U.D. or H.A.A.

He said there was one other program not funded by Chicago, and that is our Home Improvement Program, and that comes from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Mr. Tlustos said there are three types of housing, low-rent housing, mutual-help housing, and the program about which we want to talk tonight, Turn-Key Housing.

The term turn-key relates to the way the house is built. The house is completely finished and built by a developer, then the keys are turned over to the local housing authority. He said we should make something clear, and that the funds do come from Chicago. They set up the rules and they approve the program. We, and when I say we I mean the Tribe, can ask for changes but we don't always get them. We can ask for a certain type of house, but we must convince Chicago that this is best before we can get any changes, and he referred to basements, which are usually not included. We can't tell exactly what type of house it will be as we will not know. We have to submit a program reservation for the housing, and they have to approve it. Then from that point, we advertise for a developer and contractor, then decide which contractor is offering the best proposition, and at that point, the Tribe and the contractor go into Chicago for a conference. Then the plans and the money have to go together. Sometimes the plans cost more than Chicago will allow. That is when you determine what kind of a house you can get. We assume that it will be an average of a three-bedroom house. Depending on the size of the family, we can build two or three or four bedroom houses.

He explained that in the turn-key III program, you can build either homes for ownership, low rent, or both. Incidentally, this is the first time in the two years I have been working on houses, that we have had any promise that we might get houses in rural areas.

First of all, let's talk about home ownership. To be a potential owner, the individual must be able to make at least the minimum payment of about \$28 per month. This is the lowest payment on a Turn-Key III house. In order to make this, you would have to be earning about \$3,000 a year income. This is based on the rent being twenty percent of the income. They must be making this much, or be on welfare full time so that this rental payment would be allowed. He had a chart showing the income limitations, size of family, and rental payments.

In regard to the land, there has to be an agreement from the Tribe, if on Tribal land, or the individual if on allotted land, that the land would be leased to the developer until completion of the house, and then to the Housing Authority until the house was paid for. He said the Tribe also had to pass a resolution agreeing that if a person moves or doesn't pay the rent on any house built in the country, the Tribe will move the house to town where it could be leased.

Another thing they say is that the house must be located near an all weather road, not more than one-quarter mile from this road. Also, Public Health had to approve the site for water. It used to be that we could build the house and then ask Public Health to get water to it. Now, we must have Public Health approval first, and they can turn the site down if they feel they can't get water, or if another site would be better. Also, they say

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that for a country home, a person should be making a part or all of his income off the land. The reason they say that is to assure that there is a reason for living out there.

Mr. Tlustos gave turn-key housing applications to those interested and requested that they be returned to the Tribal Office as soon as possible.

Dorothy Jones asked about the Home Improvement Program and Mr. Tlustos explained this program, which is limited to repairs of about \$1500 per house and that approximately eight houses could be repaired under this program. To be eligible for this program, a person had to meet the same income requirements as for continued occupancy in Public Housing.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau

Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 1968

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on December 4, 1968, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:10 a.m. with members present as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Andrew Estes, Chairman	
Clarence Thompson, Sr., Vice-Chairman	Grace Estes (attending Industrial Training session)
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer	
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain	
J. W. Thompson	
Charles Langdeau	

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Orville Langdeau, Chaplain.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Andrew Estes asked if everyone had received copies of minutes of the last regular meeting on November 6th and the Special meeting on November 18th, or if there were any corrections. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve them. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(2)

OLD BUSINESS - The Chairman asked if there were any old business or any reports from the district representatives. Clarence mentioned the feed reports but this was tabled until later.

(3)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Educational grant applications were received from Sandra McCauley Bad Moccasins for a high school grant, and from Lavern Reinhart for a vocational grant. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve both of the applications. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

ENROLLMENT - Andrew Estes said that we had one enrollment application and he circulated the birth record, for Keith Daniel Rekow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Varnon Virgil Rekow. Kay Gourneau made a motion to enroll this boy. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(5)

GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Andrew Estes said we had an invoice from Attorney Bubak for \$108.67 for the period of October 17th through November 16th. Charles Langdeau reviewed the invoice and made a motion to approve it. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

CHALGMAR - The Chairman called on Attorney Bubak, who had been waiting. Attorney Bubak said that he received word on the appraisal of the property in California as worth at the most \$4,100, and at a forced sale it would bring only about \$2,100.

That comes out, using these appraisal figures, that the property which was sold for \$25,000 is worth today only \$5,000 or \$3,000. It goes without saying that the offer of settlement, which incidentally has been increased, is better than trying to grab onto the property. He reported that the offer of settlement is now \$11,000. He said he thought the only way out now would be to accept the settlement. Kay asked if we could accept the settlement offer and still keep the property here. Bubak said no, that the settlement offer of \$11,000 is for everything, including the property. He said Cal-Dak has nothing, only between three and five thousand dollars worth of property. Against that we have a \$53,000 loan (\$35,000 from Lower Brule and \$18,000 from Fort Thompson). Then we have Chalomar, which only owes us about \$10,000 which is for back rent. Charles Langdeau asked if we could take a lien against the individual men's property. Attorney Bubak said no, not the way it was handled, because the contract didn't make them personally liable. In the future, he advised that we have the people personally guarantee the money. That way, we could go and sell their house if we wanted to. J. W. Thompson said that we were never advised to do that, and that we had Attorney Sonosky and Dunker in Aberdeen who were supposed to be looking out for our interests. Attorney Bubak said he would tell us the same thing he told Crow Creek. You can listen to whoever you want to, but just remember who is around when you are in trouble. You are the only ones around. They are not here today. So you have to make up your own minds and call them as you see them. He advised again that in the future if we loan money, make sure it is not just to a corporation, but also to the individuals personally. He said that in the business world, the reason for incorporating is to limit liability in risky deals and this is done all the time. A person doesn't want to jeopardize everything he owns; this is one of the main reasons for incorporating. He advised that when we prepare the lease for Omni on the plant down here, that we not only lease it to Omni but to Whitely personally, so that we would have something to go back on.

He asked if there were any other questions on Cal-Dak and Chalomar. He said this settlement would be over a \$50,000 loss, but there is just nothing more there. The inventory has been sold off and God only knows where the money went, because there are three companies involved — Cal-Dak, Chalomar and Zeitex. Now there is the new Zeitex and Redcor going in. Charles Langdeau asked if we couldn't do anything. Attorney Bubak said we could make life miserable for them and force them into bankruptcy, but we wouldn't get much money out of it. Kay Gourneau also mentioned getting assistance from the F.B.I. in this.

Attorney Bubak said he couldn't see wasting any more time or money on this, and he would say to take the money and get out. Charles Langdeau said he didn't like to see them sitting out there in California laughing at us; that we have been billing them for two years and they never even wrote back. They just ignored everything we did. The settlement of \$11,000 was discussed, and the Lower Brule share of this would be about \$7,000.

Attorney Bubak said we could play it any way we want. We could reject their offer and make a counter offer. They might just withdraw everything and go bankrupt. Assuming you push them into bankruptcy, my analysis is that you would try to knock out the Zeitex claim of \$248,000 shown as advances. Then if you could knock out the \$70,000 long term debt to Cal-Dak, that would leave the asset picture pretty nice. This would leave about \$170,000 worth of assets. But then the equipment which they list at \$32,000 was appraised at only \$5,000, so you don't know what to believe.

Clarence Thompson said he didn't think we should let up on it. We are only gambling \$7,000 and that is nothing alongside of what we lost. Kay Gourneau indicated she was in agreement with this. The council discussed this a little further and Clarence Thompson made a motion to reject the settlement offer. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against. Attorney Bubak said the next thing we should do was to make them a counter offer. Kay Gourneau made a motion to offer to settle for \$53,000. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. Attorney Bubak said that this might well be the right thing to do and he left the meeting to telephone Mr. Lempres.

(7)

JANITOR'S JOB - Andrew Estes reported that our janitor had quit and we had some applications for the position. Charles asked why he quit as he had lasted two years and done pretty well. This was tabled until the afternoon in case there were more applications.

(8)

THANKSGIVING DINNER - Owen Good Face thanked the Tribe for sponsoring the nice Thanksgiving dinner.

(9)

AMENDING CONSTITUTION, CALL GENERAL MEETING - Owen Good Face said that he had received a letter from J. W. Thompson concerning amending the constitution to change the voting districts and elect the chairman at large. He said he had talked to several people about this but they didn't understand what the letter really meant. J. W. Thompson said this was put up for a vote three years ago and it passed except that not enough people voted. The constitution requires that at least thirty percent of the eligible voters must vote before an amendment can become effective. What happened was a lack of interest by the off-reservation people. The proposed amendment would reduce the council to five members: two from the town, two from the country, and one from off-reservation, plus the chairman to be elected at large. Andrew asked how the council felt about this. Kay recommended that we have a general meeting to see how the people feel about it, and personally she didn't see the purpose of an off-reservation representative. The council discussed this, and also the term of office for the chairman. J. W. Thompson made a motion to set up a general meeting sometime in January to discuss amendments to the constitution. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(10)

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS - Owen Good Face said that in the past the Tribe donated to the Church for Christmas, and they would like to have something for the kids again this year and wondered about this. J. W. Thompson made a motion to do that again, \$25.00 per church, for all of them. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(11)

CHALOMAR - Attorney Bubak said that he had talked to Lempres and they were extremely upset and were wondering if it would help if he would fly out and talk with the council. Mr. Bubak said he delivered our message on the \$53,000 but he was positive they would turn it down. They discussed bankruptcy and this was understood. Attorney Bubak said he would like authority to take whatever steps were necessary to retain bankruptcy council in connection with the Chalomar

bankruptcy and to contact whatever Federal officials as necessary to have the Federal government assist in this. Kay Gourneau made a motion to that effect. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(12)

COMING MEETING - The Chairman read a letter from Robert W. Weins, Chairman of the Manpower Planning Committee, stating they would have a meeting at Fort Thompson on December 12th, at 10:00 a.m.

(13)

STATE COMMITTEE - The Chairman read a letter from Harold W. Shunk, whom Governor Boe has appointed on the Omnibus Crime and Riot Control Committee of the State. He asked for a copy of our Law and Order Code.

(14)

LAKOTA HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING - The chairman said there would be a Lakota T.B. and Health Association Meeting in Rapid City on December 12th and 13th, and asked Kay if she had contacted anyone on this. She said she had but didn't have a definite answer yet.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

The Chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:00 with J. W. Thompson absent, until later in the afternoon.

(15)

REMARKS BY COMMISSIONER BENNETT - Mr. Edzards said he had sent out some copies of the Remarks made by Commissioner Bennett. There are some far-reaching statements in there. He said Commissioner Bennett realized he was of a different party than what they are going into and didn't know if he would be staying or not, but maybe some of his policy would be put into effect either way. Mr. Edzards said he thought it would be good to have the official comments of the tribal council on this. In the past the Bureau has stepped up the programs where they contract with the Tribes for services. This new policy would recommend that many of the Bureau functions be contracted for with the Tribes through the Buy Indian Act, where the Bureau would provide the funds and the Tribe administer it, similar to the Curb and Gutter Project, and Construction Superintendent's salary. The Commissioner indicates there will be more and more of this happening and if he stays, this will be the trend the Bureau will follow. This will be voluntary. The Bureau will not just withdraw their personnel and send a check. It must be with the agreement of the Tribe. Primarily now they are talking about Law and Order. Then it may be possible to extend this to the roads and other areas. The council indicated they favored this policy.

(16)

TRASH CANS - The Chairman asked Mr. Edzards if we could get some barrels from the road department. Mr. Edzards asked how many we would need, and the Chairman said twenty anyway, and we could use some extra.

(17)

CHALOMAR - Mr. Edzards said he got a call from Attorney Bubak and he wanted Mr. Edzards to contact the solicitor and see what protection or benefits they could give the Tribe in this connection. Mr. Edzards indicated he would do this.

(18)

LAND SALES - Joe Brewer said they had the appraisal back on Veronica Pennington's land, 160 acres at Fort Hale. It is surrounded on four sides by Tribal land and is rolling grassland, and the price is \$6400. Charles Langdeau made a motion to purchase this land. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

The Chairman said that Joe Grassrope had asked if he could trade his land in the Walking Woman Estate to the Tribe for the allotment on which he is now living up on the flat. This was given to Joe Brewer for an appraisal.

Andrew Estes said that Caroline Grassrope Touch wants to sell her interest in the estate to the Tribe.

Andrew Estes said also that Pearl Metcalf said she got some lease money and wants to know what land this was from, her grandmother's or grandfather's estate, and wants this information sent to her at Kennebec.

(19)

MUTUAL HELP HOUSING - Evert Fletcher said there are several who need hours and want to buy them, as the Tribe has quite a few hours to sell, and he wondered if they had agreed on \$1.25 per hour. Charles said the Tribe paid \$1.25 and thought they should sell them for that. The council discussed this and Charles Langdeau made a motion to charge them \$1.25. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against. Evert said the Tribe still had some tools, some paint rollers and things, and a little lumber, and they are being stored in the trailer. He said they could still use the paint rollers some, but wondered what should be done. Orville Langdeau made a motion to let Evert use whatever equipment we have over there. Clarence Thompson suggested that the power equipment be transferred to the Tribal Building as it might be safer over here. The motion was amended to this effect and Clarence Thompson seconded it and it carried with four for and none against. Evert Fletcher said there are four houses over there with no participant and they will be rented as low-rent units, and he said also that Pearl Wakeman's Church minister is asking to buy hours for one other house. He was going to buy Rose LaRoche's hours and then buy the rest from the Tribe. This matter, after some discussion, was left up to the Housing Authority.

(20)

ROADS - Andrew Estes said right now he wanted to discuss the road situation. He said he had asked Mr. Huff to come to the meeting; however, he was not here, but wanted us to pick out a priority on road repairs. The Council reviewed the Tentative Long Range Road Construction Program submitted by the Bureau. J. W. Thompson said it didn't mean a thing and didn't know why we have to approve it. He said he understood Mr. Huff is in favor of doing this but he has obligations in the Area Office and they tell him to get off that road and go on to another, and he said there is a lot of mismanagement and inefficiency in the Road Department, and he mentioned again the need for a cattle guard on the Little Bend road. Clarence Thompson said the Fort Hale Road is listed on the bottom, after 1975, and he would like to see this pushed to the top, as they have 2½ miles of dirt road, and there is a gravel pit right there handy. He said sometimes they have to come out in a four-wheel drive and leave the car parked at the corner. Charles Langdeau

said they have the same problem up there and he would like to just turn this schedule up side down and give it back to them. Kay Gourneau asked also if roads shouldn't be given priority when school kids are involved. J. W. Thompson said he would settle for graveling all the roads for next year to make them passable and then go to the other roads for the next year. Charles Langdeau made a motion to have these roads fixed, the Little Bird Road, Lower Bruie Bus Loop, Two Hawk Road and Fort Hale Road. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson. Mr. Edzards asked if they meant rebuilding them or just fixing them. The council agreed if they would just gravel them and fix them so that they would be passable. It would do for this year. Andrew Estes mentioned also the Bad Horse Road. A vote was taken and the motion carried with five for and none against.

(21)

POW-WOW, FAIR AND RODEO - Andrew called on Carl Smith. Carl asked if the dates had been set for the annual fair and rodeo, as he needed to get this in to Washington to be included in their advertising circulars. The council agreed on the second week-end in August.

(22)

INDUSTRIAL PARK AND BUILDING - Carl Smith said the previous council had been interested in working with E.D.A. to get the Industrial Park extended and to build another building, with an 80% E.D.A. grant. He said E.D.A. would give the grant but first we had to have an industry interested in coming in. He asked if the council wanted him to continue to work on this, and said they have two possible industries, and both of them can show sales and management. Charles asked who the two were and Carl said one is confidential because they want to come in and ask about the other part of the Chalmar Building, but understood this was promised to Omni. Charles also asked about the Community Building, but Carl said he didn't know, that he didn't have anything to do with this. J. W. Thompson said he was in favor of pursuing more industry and an easier method of getting buildings; we would just have to pay twenty percent. Orville said he too was in favor of it, but thought we should wait and see how this industry works out, as there is such a thing as jumping in too many directions at once. Kay said E.D.A. won't help build unless we have an industry. Charles asked if the industry Carl had in mind wanted any money. Carl said he didn't know, but knows for sure they will need a building. Clarence said he thought we were all in favor of this if we can get something that will work; we just got stuck this morning here; we lost a lot of money and we are a little cautious so he would hesitate to say. The council discussed this a little further and Clarence Thompson made a motion to leave industrial development in his hands and when we have a recommendation, we will consider it. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against, Kay absent for vote.

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STREET LIGHTS, MUTUAL HOUSING - The Chairman called on a man from West Central Electric who had been waiting to see the council in regard to street lights for the Mutual Housing Area. The council presently has a contract with West Central for all the street lights in the town and pay so much per month per light, and these additional lights could be added to the contract. The number of lights was discussed and five were suggested. Clarence Thompson made a motion to go ahead and put the five lights in wherever they will do the most good. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. Andrew Estes appointed Orville Langdeau and Evert Fletcher to spot the lights.

(24)

STANDARD OIL BID & TRIBAL FUEL - The Chairman called on Joe Hieb. Joe Hieb asked if he would have a chance of selling the Tribe fuel and said his price on #2 fuel is .1315 and .1385 on #1. He said this was about 2½¢ per gallon less than what we are paying, and he could offer this price this year for the first time since they have the B.I.A. school and road contract for this price. He added that if the Tribe buys fuel, this price would also apply to individuals on a cash basis and he would guarantee to have a truck down here once a week. The council discussed this and the Chairman said that we would give that some consideration and see what we could come up with.

(25)

SCHOOL REORGANIZATION, NEW HIGH SCHOOL - Joe Hieb said he was on the school reorganization committee and they have a proposed plan here which he would like to discuss and get the council's opinion. The proposal is for county wide reorganized district just as Lyman County is right now. The district will include grades kindergarten through twelve and include the entire county. The attendance centers will be in Presho, and for East Lyman County in Reliance. They are going to offer twenty-eight courses like in the big schools and are going to have facilities and teachers for the exceptional student. One school will have special classes in the morning, the other in the afternoon, and the teachers would be transferred between the schools at Presho and Reliance. Charles Langdeau asked about the previous plan of a school between the towns of Kennebec and Reliance. Joe Hieb said that the cost of water and sewer of this plan was prohibitive and that this would cost \$400,000 a year just to operate the plant without hiring teachers. Under this present proposal, the existing elementary facilities at Presho will be used for a high school, and a new elementary and fine arts building will be constructed. In Reliance, they will all be new. Joe Hieb said this plan would come up for a vote and each school district would vote on it, then the bond issue will have to go up for a vote again, and construction should start by next year.

(26)

HOME IMPROVEMENT GRAM - Mr. Tlustos said that we have a Buy Indian Contract on this, which turns the responsibility over to the Tribe. In order to get this going, we need to decide on a construction foreman. The council discussed this and agreed that the foreman would have to be a working foreman with carpentry skills, that the salary should be about \$500 a month, and that notices should be posted advertising this job. A meeting date was set up for Friday, Dec. 13th, with Mr. Tlustos, Clarence and Charles to review the applications.

(27)

ENROLLMENT - An enrollment application was received for Cynthia FireCloud, daughter of William and Bortha Fire Cloud. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll her. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(28)

LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE REPORT - Kay Gourneau distributed copies of minutes of a Law and Order Committee Meeting, and asked for council approval of their recommendations. She stated that the Bureau is short of funds and have asked that the Tribe pay the salary of the Associate Judge, and that the committee recommended that the Clerk of Courts salary be cut from a GS-3 to GS-2, and Tribal Police not be used except in cases of emergency, and that this was the only

way they could justify the additional expense and maintain a Court Fund as in the past. J. W. Thompson said he thought the time is going to come when we are going to have to subsidize the Court Fund from the General Fund. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the committee report. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(29)

SALVAGE OF STORAGE SHED - J. W. Thompson offered \$50 for the salvage of the old tin building which blew down and said he would clean it up and haul it away. Andrew said that Fay Jandreau had also asked about this. Charles Langdeau made a motion to advertise this for bid, on the shell only, the metal beams and tin, and cleaning up the premises. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent for vote.

(30)

REQUEST FOR LEASE - Andrew Estes said there is a quarter of land lying east of Shaffers which isn't being used and has to be fenced off; it is 160 acres in Section 16, Range 74, Township 108 N., south of the bridge. It is Tribal land, gumbo hills, and he would like to add it to his unit. Charles Langdeau made a motion to lease it to Andrew. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against, Kay absent.

(31)

BUFFALO MEAT - The Chairman read a letter from the Area Office in reply to our request for buffalo meat. The letter stated that plans are under way to again make such meat available and that we will be informed of the number of quarters allocated as soon as details have been completed.

(32)

TRIBAL JANITOR - The council reviewed the eight applications for tribal janitor. A vote was taken by secret ballot which resulted in the hiring of Noah Grassrope.

(33)

CATTLE AND RANCH INSPECTION REPORTS - Clarence Thompson gave a report on his inspection of the Lawrence Thompson ranch, cattle count, feed, etc. J. W. Thompson submitted a written report of the Fay Jandreau and Andrew Estes ranches and these reports were read. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the reports. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(34)

UNITED SIOUX MEETING - The Chairman said he received a report on the United Sioux meeting held in Aberdeen and they want to set their own rate on lease of tribal land. The Bureau might have something to do with allotted land, but on tribally owned land leased to tribal members, the tribes want to set their own rates.

(35)

ADJOURNMENT - Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on December 4, 1968.

TRIBAL HOUSING AND TRAINING PROGRAM CONFERENCE

DECEMBER 11, 1968

DYKEMAN HOTEL, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The meeting was called to order with the following people in attendance:

Artley Skenandore, Housing Specialist, Bemidji I.C.A.P.
Bob Hutcherson, Housing Specialist, University of S. Dak. I.C.A.P.
Pete Azure, Field Representative, University of S. Dak. I.C.A.P.
Ron Kirkle, Participant, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Fort Thompson, S. Dak.
Don McGhee, Construction Foreman, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Fort Thompson
Hobart Eagle, Exec. Director, Local Housing Authority, Fort Thompson, S.D.
Glenn W. Oulle, President, New Frontier
George Anderson, Administrative Officer, Cheyenne River Sioux, Eagle Butte
Orrin L. Olson, C.A.P. Director, Eagle Butte, S. Dak.
Elmer Gunvik, Participant, Eagle Butte, S. Dak.
Leo Maginness, Superintendent, Eagle Butte, S. Dak.
Philip Smith, Executive Director, Housing Authority, Cass Lake, Minn.
Sylvester Keplin, Tribal Council, Belcourt, N. Dak.
James Henry, Vice-Chairman, Belcourt, N. Dak.
T. J. Bolman, Mandaree
Bob Fox, Roseglan, N. Dak.
Orville Langdeau, Councilman, Lower Brule, S. Dak.
Clarence Thompson, Councilman, Lower Brule, S. Dak.
Marvin L. Sargent, Chairman, White Earth Reservation, Naytahwaush, Minn.
James Brun, Red Lake Reservation, Tribal Council
Herb Bechtold, O.E.O., Washington, D. C.
F. V. Thompson, C.A.P. Director, White Earth, Minn.
Roger Jourdain, Chairman, Red Lake Reservation
David R. Munnell, Leach Lake, Reservation Business Council
St Howard, Leach Lake, Reservation Business Council
Francis Brun, Treasurer, Red Lake Tribal Council

Mr. Skenandore explained that the purpose of this meeting was to revise the Tribal Housing and Training Program. The group discussed the previous program and the following are a list of some of the weaknesses, good points and suggested changes:

- 1) The nineteen-week training program was too short. The training program ran out in about the middle of the project and the tribes were left with unskilled participant labor to finish.
- 2) Supervision - In the past programs there were 20 trainees, 20 participants, and only two supervisors, for each 20 units. It was agreed that the supervision was inadequate to get the maximum benefit from the labor. It was recommended that one more supervisor be included in future programs, and that the supervisors must be working foreman and be willing to work when participants are able to work.
- 3) Financing - The tribes thought the financing was too costly and on many reservations, the interest cost made the difference between profit and loss on the project. It was felt that the Tribes were penalized in the financing and that they should be allowed the same benefits that a private contracting firm would receive, and that partial payments should be allowed upon delivery of materials and percentage of completion payments.

- 4) Construction season - The projects on many reservations were not approved until late summer or fall, which made it very difficult. If the projects were started earlier, the houses could be finished to a stage where the inside work could progress in spite of cold weather.
- 5) Lack of coordination between agencies - It was mentioned that all agencies involved should have their funds available in the same fiscal year. One reservation's housing was complete; however Public Health had to wait for funds to put in the water and sewer. There was also some lack of coordination or misunderstanding on some reservations concerning supervision of the trainees.
- 6) The discussion of programs on various reservations revealed inequities in the amounts allowed by H.A.A. for building the house. The amounts varied from about \$7300 per house to about \$10,000 on the different reservations.
- 7) It was recommended that a trainee be allowed to also be a participant, just so long as double credit was not allowed for hours. A man could work as a trainee from 8:00 to 5:00 and still put in his participant time in the evenings and weekends, and that it shouldn't make any difference whether his job and means of earning a living was as a trainee, or somewhere else.
- 8) Most reservations allowed the participant to select his home at the beginning of the project and this was thought to be successful, as he could make color selections and possibly other minor alterations to suit himself and would take more pride in his work and home; however, this is not to say he should work exclusively on his own home.
- 9) Responsibility of participant - It was recommended that the participant be involved from the very beginning of the project and that he be made to feel more important in the project.
- 10) Volunteer labor - The recommendation was made that every source of volunteer labor be used and that local people interested in community betterment be encouraged to volunteer labor, even if it is only for a few hours each week.
- 11) House design - The previous projects were for twenty, three-bedroom homes on the Littleton floor plan. It was recommended that a little more flexibility be allowed here and that minor changes be permitted in the house design or number of bedrooms.
- 12) Construction Superintendent - On some reservations the Bureau furnished the money to the Tribe for the Superintendent on the Buy-Indian Contract. On other reservations the Bureau hired the man. It was thought to be more successful where this was done on the Buy-Indian Contract with the Tribe and this is requested for future programs.
- 13) Trainee wages - In the previous project the trainee was paid under the M.D.T.A. training scale. One reason it is hard to get men to work for that is that the pay isn't right. Some are good men, but if they are single they don't make enough. The M.D.T.A. rate varies with the different reservations, but for a single man it averages around \$35.00 a week.

- 14) Participant hours - There was some discussion on participant hours, whether he should be given credit for the hours at a higher wage, so that he could earn his equity with fewer hours. There was also a discussion as to whether the participant should be required to work a certain number of hours per week, instead of just setting it at 600 hours.
- 15) Housing in scattered or rural sites - Some reservations are in need of housing in rural areas; however, Mr. Bechtold said that this Mutual Help Program would not be built except in clusters, and also must be built in units of at least twenty.
- 16) The revision of the training program was discussed and it was thought that it could be improved by reducing the number of trainees from twenty to ten, and extending the time from 19 weeks to 38 weeks. It was also recommended that three supervisors be provided instead of two. Mr. Bechtold said that the limit for labor is \$1700 per house. The cost of the new plan was computed and it came out a little higher than this.

Joint Meeting with B.I.A.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs was holding a meeting across the hall on housing and a joint session was held for a brief period in the afternoon.

Roger Jourdain said that at a meeting in Salt Lake City the Tribes were requesting a housing office within the Indian area which would be an Indian desk on housing. A resolution was passed requesting a housing office in Minneapolis to service the Indian reservations.

Mr. Skenandore said we were again requesting that the Bureau provide funds for the Construction Superintendent for Mutual Help Projects. Also, they are asking about financing and requesting that it be handled by H.A.A. instead of the tribes going with the interim financing.

A resolution was passed requesting additional Bureau funds for the Home Improvement Program so that repairable homes on an individual's own allotment may be repaired.

A home for those over the poverty ceiling was discussed and Mr. Louis Thompson, B.I.A. Housing Officer from the Bemidji Area, discussed Turn-Key housing under Section 235, where you can become eligible with twenty percent over the limitation of other low-income projects. This is built under F.H.A. auspices.

At this point the O.E.O. group left the Bureau meeting and reconvened back across the hall.

Mr. Skenandore called the meeting back to order and said that we have not actually accomplished everything we intended, but he thought we ought at this point to establish a committee that can meet periodically and get into the actual work of writing up a program. Mr. Skenandore thought once each quarter would be often enough to meet. One representative from each reservation was suggested; however, if this included the southwest and northwest you would have about 160 representative and couldn't accomplish much. They wanted to limit the number to about seven, possibly two or three from the Dakotas and some from the Minneapolis Area. A group were selected to meet again tomorrow to finalize the recommendations and summarize the findings.

Thursday Meeting

Present

Artley Skenandore
Bob Hutcheson
Pete Azure
Orrin Olson
Si Howard
Roger Jourdain
Marvin Sargent
Louis Thompson (stopped in briefly)

The group met and reviewed the proposed changes in the training program.

The amount allowed by H.A.A. for the house was discussed further. Since there seemed to be inequalities in the amounts allowed on the various reservations, it was thought that each reservation should insist and take advantage of the \$10,300 per house figure which Bob Miller had quoted. It was also recommended that an Indian desk on housing be set up somewhere in the Area, and Minneapolis was suggested. This office should not be a stumbling block between the Reservations and Washington, but should be given full power and authority to act on Indian programs.

Other inequalities were discovered even in the rent payments set-up. On the Cheyenne River Reservation, the rent payments appeared to be higher than on some of the other reservations; yet, the total price allowed by H.A.A. for the house on this reservation was less than on most other reservations.

It was agreed that the Construction Superintendent should be furnished under the Buy Indian Act, with the Bureau providing the funds. It was discovered that different reservations were allowed different salaries for the Construction Superintendent. To get qualified people, a sufficient salary must be furnished and the \$700 per month figure allowed on some reservations seemed inadequate. It was recognized that the Construction Superintendent must be a qualified person and the Tribe has a great responsibility and should recognize the importance of selecting qualified people on these projects, as they will benefit or lose, depending on the success or failure of the project.

Financing - It was recommended that H.A.A. reimburse the Tribe as materials are delivered on the project, or make percentage of completion payments to the Tribe as they would to a private contracting firm. It was thought that by the Tribe paying financing and interest costs, the project is being charged double interest as the Housing Authority is also charged with interest.

It was recommended that basements be allowed and possibly other minor alterations in the house plan, and possibly changes in the number of bedrooms.

The training program was discussed in great detail. The final recommendation was that the project would be more successful if it could be more flexible to meet the individual needs on each reservation. As the M.D.T.A. training rate was not entirely satisfactory on the other projects, it was agreed that it would give the workers more incentive to do a good job if they had a chance of advancement and that maybe more could be accomplished with five good workers than with ten underpaid ones. It was agreed to just call the workers under this program foremen and laborers and to make it an incentive program and allow each Tribe to set the number of men and supervisors within the cost limits and possibly reward the man who shows ability with a wage increase. The recommendation was made to request \$2300 per house for labor instead of \$1700.

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
DECEMBER 19, 1968

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on December 19, 1968. The meeting was called to order at 1:50 p.m. by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, with the following members present:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Grace Estes
J. W. Thompson

Absent

Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau

Others Present

Edward Edzards, Superintendent
School Board Members:
Evert Fletcher
Hugh Wynia
Don Schindler
Carrol Stewart
Lloyd Marken
Roland Peterson
Donald Fletcher

SCHOOL REORGANIZATION, HIGH SCHOOL - The Chairman said that this discussion was on the schools so he turned the floor over to Mr. Wynia. Mr. Wynia said they were wondering what the council's position was on this school and were also interested in the B.I.A.'s position on the high school. J. W. Thompson asked if they were associated with Joe Hieb who was down and told us about the proposal of two schools in Lyman County. They said they were, that they had gotten a petition signed to bring this to a vote, but when they took it to the County School Board, the Board turned it down and said this couldn't come up for a vote until the school district is set up. J. W. Thompson asked what had happened to the proposal they had last winter for one high school to be located somewhere in Lyman County. The location was discussed and Mr. Wynia said what they were trying to accomplish was to get something started to keep the County district together, because if they don't get started, parts of the county will petition off to go to Chamberlain. The Indian school enrollment was discussed at Lower Brule and Fort Thompson, and copies were made of Resolution No. 69-6 which the council passed in July supporting the study made proposing a school in Lyman County and requesting the support of the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe in this. Mr. Edzards stated that the Bureau would assist in any way they could, but that if both reservations could get together on one school, and together with the enrollment from the county, there might be a better chance of getting a congressional appropriation to build a modern facility; however, before this could be done, everyone would have to agree on the school and location. This was discussed and Andrew Estes agreed to set up a meeting between these men from Reliance, Mr. Edzards, our council and the Crow Creek Council.

(2)

ATTORNEY CONTRACT, BLACK HILLS CLAIMS - A letter was read from Mr. Edzards stating that our contract with Attorney Sonosky on the Black Hills Claim expires December 31st. The contract was for a term of ten years and may be extended for additional periods of two years each. Clarence Thompson made a motion to extend the contract for another two years. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

(3)

LEASE OF STORE - Mrs. LaBelle came to the council and said she was interested in running the store. She read her proposal which was to run it on a cash basis with no credit, and to stock it with the bare necessities, staple groceries and some meats, and as the store pays for itself, other items would be added only if there is a need for them. Prices would be kept down, comparable with prices in nearby towns. She said she understood that the electricity and fuel are for the whole building and she would pay half, and also rent of \$25.00 per month. Clarence asked how this compared with the last lease arrangements. Andrew said that this was the same arrangements and lease that they had. Kay Gourneau made a motion to let them do this, and accept their offer. Grace questioned whether the Tribe would be involved in anyway in setting her up in business. Mrs. LaBelle said no, that they would stock it and arrange their own financing. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against. The council wished her success.

(4)

UNITED SIOUX MEETING - The Chairman said there would be a United Sioux Meeting tomorrow afternoon in Pierre and any councilman wishing to attend would be welcome to go.

(5)

TRIBAL CATTLE - Andrew Estes said he had a problem on the bulls and steers. They can't keep them in. J. W. Thompson suggested they contact someone to sell them in January.

(6)

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION - A letter was read from Harry Iron Elk requesting \$200 for the Indian dance and celebration on New Year's eve. J. W. Thompson asked if there wasn't still some meat in the locker which they could use. The council discussed this and J. W. Thompson made a motion to give them some meat and \$100. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(7)

FAY JANDREAU REQUEST - A letter was read from Fay Jandreau stating that he wanted to borrow some money from the bank on the strength of his 97 calves which he is holding until next fall. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve this. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against. Clarence said the different ones have been doing this and wondered if the loans were paid. It was reported that they were all paid back. J. W. Thompson said these loans are no risk because when the calves are sold, the check comes to the Tribe.

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(8)

CREDIT UNION - Grace Estes asked if the Tribe ever thought about getting a Credit Union organized. She said this was brought up in Salt Lake City and it is really a good thing on the different reservations. She said if we were interested in this, we could contact Mr. Neice, who is the Administrative Assistant at Rosebud, and he would come and explain it. She said a lot of the loans are on the basis of payroll deductions.

(9)

ADJOURNMENT - J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on December 19, 1968.

Joan Mousseau

Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8-9, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on January 8, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:50 a.m. with roll call as follows:

Present:

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau (arr. 1:30)

Absent

J. W. Thompson

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer lead by the chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Clarence Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of meetings held on December 4th and 19th. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(2)

CHALOMAR, INC. - The Chairman asked if there was any old business. Orville Langdeau said he would like to make a report on the Chalomar deal. He said he contacted Attorney Bubak and Mr. Bubak said that he had written to the Bureau requesting help in the suit against Chalomar and he has not heard anything. A copy of a letter from Attorney Bubak to Mr. Lempres was read, which letter stated that no property could be removed from the plant.

(3)

GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The chairman stated we have an invoice from Attorney Larson amounting to \$1,077.79 for the period of November 17th thru December 16th. The council reviewed the invoice and Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve it. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(4)

LYMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT - Andrew Estes called on two men who introduced themselves as Lawrence Lynstrom, the Chairman of the Kennebec School Board and Gene Jerard, Chairman of the Citizen's Committee on education. They said they were here to get the council's feeling on the school election coming up Monday, January 13th. The election is to form one school district in Lyman County, as all these common school districts have to become a part of a twelve-year district. They feel if they can put enough of these common districts together, it would be for everyone's advantage. This election also provides for a nine-man board to govern the district, with five of these representatives from the rural areas. Grace Estes said she thought Lower Brule should have a representati

They said they thought the people of Lyman County were just as capable as Brule County and that if all the people could work together, there could be a good high school, and that the center of Lyman County wouldn't be any further for us than Chamberlain. Kay said the main problem here was that the people didn't even know there was going to be an election, and they said they would bring some sample ballots so that we could get word to the people.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner which was cooked on the micro-wave oven, and the council observed Mr. Whiteley's demonstration of the Omni Design micro-wave oven.)

(Charles Langdeau arrived) (Others present: Lloyd Whiteley, Floyd Taylor, Mr. Shelly from Tri-County Bank, and Stan Humphrey)

OMNI DESIGN - The chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:35 and called on Mr. Whiteley from Omni Design. Mr. Whiteley gave a brief report on the present operation of the plant here, and said fifteen people are now working, and there is a backlog of work to hire twenty-five, and the reason that twenty-five are not working is that the materials required are on order but there has been a delay in getting them here. He said this had nothing to do with this offer on the ovens.

(6)

MICRO-WAVE OVEN - Mr. Whiteley said they were in the micro-wave oven business and are building ovens for the army. He described the large oven used by the army which will cook a meal for two hundred men in the field in one hour. The oven demonstrated here cooked a roast in about ten minutes. He told of the advantages of the micro-wave method of cooking and of the market for these ovens. Raytheon is the largest company in the United States in military electronics and he heard they were selling their manufacturing rights for their oven. Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Taylor, Andrew Estes, and other representatives had gone to meet with the Raytheon people to explore the possibility of acquiring these rights. Mr. Whiteley said he had worked with the Raytheon Company himself for ten years and that they were very honest and open and had exposed to them the problems they have had. Mr. Whiteley had detailed charts showing a comparison between Raytheon's costs and estimated Omni costs for manufacturing, overhead, marketing costs, labor costs, warranty costs, selling prices and profit on the various models, etc. The computations indicated in all cases that Omni's production costs would be less and that where Raytheon showed a net loss, Omni could realize a profit. This sale would include the equipment, inventory, tooling, design, and manufacturing rights, and Raytheon is asking \$250,000 for this. Raytheon will also give assistance in production, marketing, etc. and they have also agreed to throw in another manufacturing operation in this same field. Many other things were discussed, such as financing, security, stock issues, cash flow, etc. Mr. Whiteley said Lower Brule would be the ideal place to put this because of the facilities here and the sheet metal shop across the river. A new corporation, Lower Brule Electronics has been formed and Raytheon would publicly announce that Lower Brule would have the ovens. He said they will need 68 workers for this, in addition to the present plant. Mr. Whiteley said it would take 60 to 90 days for him to raise the money and in order to do this, they would have to discontinue some of their other projects, which he didn't want to do. He said if the Tribe went S.B.A. on the \$250,000,

they wouldn't be putting up any of their own money. Omni will still match it, as they agreed to match whatever the Tribe puts up. Mr. Whitoley discussed continuing Raytheon's vending machine business and space and buildings were discussed. Andrew Estes then asked them to leave so the council could discuss this and give him an answer in about an hour.

(7)

ROADS - Andrew then called on Mr. Hauff on the road situation. Mr. Hauff presented the 1969 road program for approval, that is for the year ending this June 30th. He said that most of this money had been spent and outlined what had been done and what remains to be done. He said that they were allowed only \$45,000 for road maintenance for both reservations. Salaries take about \$30,000 and Plant Management takes \$5,000 which leaves a balance of about \$10,000 with which to do all the maintenance and buy repair parts for equipment. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve this 1969 work program. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. The council discussed with Mr. Hauff road repairs which are urgently needed and requests made for graveling at the last meeting. Mr. Hauff said that to gravel these roads would cost about \$200,000 and there is only \$45,000 to work with. Charles Langdeau said he didn't have in mind 4" of gravel and widening the roads, but just spreading enough gravel to make them passable. Mr. Hauff explained the two separate road funds they have, the maintenance fund which is from the Bureau and the Construction money which comes from the Bureau of Public Roads. Any work done with construction money must meet the standards and specifications set up by the Bureau of Public Roads. Mr. Hauff and Mr. Edzards again stressed the importance of completing the work on the road from Reliance on up to the Allen School so that this road could be turned over to the State. Once this is turned over, the state will maintain it and this will mean that the Bureau maintenance funds could be used on other reservation roads. The Chairman asked about sanding the icy hills, especially on the bus route. At the close of the discussion, the Chairman said he would appoint a council committee to meet with the Bureau and to go over the road situation and see what they could come up with.

(8)

LAW AND ORDER - The Chairman called on Mr. Edzards. Mr. Edzards said that in accordance with the policies as outlined in the speech given by Commissioner Bennett, the trend is for services to be contracted from the Tribes to take the place of services furnished by the Bureau. We are talking about Law and Order and the judges. What we are proposing here is that, if you think you would be better off and working toward these ends, if the money is the only thing keeping you from operating like any other town, if that is the case and we can work out a contract or plan for turning this money over to you so that Law and Order will be provided to the community, we will provide the money and the Tribe could handle this. Of course I don't want to represent that this would be without headaches. You have got to recruit officers, continually maintain and watch that you don't violate civil rights, and still maintain justice and law and order. Andrew Estes said he would have the law and order department go over this and see what they can come up with. Mr. Edzards said they had

gone over this and, if the Tribe is interested, he suggested that a contract be attempted so that this could be brought up at the next meeting. He said if the council wants this, they would have to request it as the Bureau will not attempt to force it on us. Andrew asked Mr. Edzards if this was all he had and he said yes. (Charles Langdeau left during this discussion.)

(9)

CHALOMAR - Orville Langdeau asked what was the Bureau's view on Chalomar. Mr. Edzards said he didn't know how the Bureau could bring suit on behalf of the Tribe, unless there were fraud or stealing involved. He said he had talked with Attorney Bubak in Pierre but hadn't heard any more. He assumed that Zeltex was going to initiate the suit themselves. He said he had contacted the Area Office in regard to getting help from the solicitor but didn't have very much hope.

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LAND TRANSACTIONS - Joe Brewer said he received a reply from Mrs. Pennington in regard to the Tribe's offer of \$6400 for her quarter of land at Fort Hale. She said she had expected at least \$50 an acre, where the Tribe's offer was for \$40. The Tribe could negotiate and offer her ten percent more. Clarence Thompson made a motion to offer her the ten percent difference. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes. Joe Brewer said he could offer her this, and if she didn't accept, they could split the difference and offer her \$45 an acre, which would be slightly over the ten percent. The council seemed agreeable to this and a vote was taken and the motion carried with four for and none against.

Joe Brewer said Emma Bad Horse had a request to sell her mineral rights, and the tribe has passed a resolution to buy these outstanding rights, so unless the council has any objection, he would go ahead with this. The council agreed to this.

(11)

RAYTHEON OVEN AND OVEN DEAL - The chairman said we had better go into this Raytheon deal now. He called on Carl Smith to explain the details on the Small Business Administration. Carl said that the Tribe had formed a Local Development Corporation so that the Corporation could borrow from the Small Business Administration and the Tribe wouldn't have to use their funds. Andrew said from what they saw in Boston, and they went through the whole Raytheon Plant and used the machine, he thought it was good and we wouldn't have anything to lose. Orville said he thought it looked real good, but wanted to see the Tribe protected. Clarence wondered if we would have enough labor, but Grace said if we don't other people could come in. Grace Estes said they want to know if we are interested, and she made a motion to that effect. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau. Kay asked if that is to try and get S.B.A. financing. Grace said yes. A vote was taken and the motion carried with four for and none against. Carl Smith asked if that was with the Local Development Company borrowing money from the Small Business Administration, and the council said yes.

(12)

EXTENSION AGENT, ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK - Mr. Ed Riehle, County Extension Agent, gave the council copies of his annual plan of work for 1969 and outlined the main projects for 1969. He said ordinarily the Extension Service has a County Extension Board which is composed of a county commissioner and four people at large. If we had a committee on the reservation, it would help to carry on programs which would be more beneficial to the people and they would like this to become a reality. The council members approved and signed the Annual Plan of Work.

(13)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Tiustos gave the council a copy of the ten eligibility requirements for turn-key housing, which are essentially the same as the information given at the community meeting. Don Isburg was employed by O.E.O. to assist with housing and he might be able to go through the applications and get them screened. He said we can combine low-rent and turn-key housing on the same application so we should be able to come up with enough units to get a program.

(14)

B.I.A. HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - Mr. Tiustos mentioned the Bureau Home Improvement Program and suggested we could hold off until we find out whether the O.E.O. Home Repair Program will be refunded, and if so, here would be the money to buy the materials. If we try to do home repair now, the weather being what it is, we wouldn't get much accomplished. He asked what the council thought of postponing this, unless there are some individual cases where homes are cold and need immediate attention. The council indicated agreement to waiting.

(15)

ADJOURNMENT - Grace Estes moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

JANUARY 9, 1969

The regular meeting was continued on January 9th and was called to order by the chairman at 10:00 with the following members present:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Andrew Estes	
Clarence Thompson	J. W. Thompson
Kay Gourneau	Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau	
Grace Estes	

(16)

ENROLLMENT - The chairman said an application was received for Ronald Matthew Quilt, son of Edmond and Arlene Quilt. Clarence Thompson made a motion to enroll this child. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(17)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - The chairman said we have educational grant applications for Shirley Eagle Thunder, who will enter Haskell, and Sandra Swift Eagle, attending Southern State College, which applications are approved by Mr. Mackey. Grace Estes made a motion to approve these. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against. Grace Estes said that while we are on the subject of educational grants, Gary Small Jumper is going to a boys' school around Sioux Falls and would like to have \$45.00 advanced from his graduation grant for his pictures and class ring. The council discussed this but since he is in his junior year didn't see how they could do this. Andrew Estes suggested we just pass the two and table this until we get further information. This carried with four for and none against.

(18)

BUFFALO MEAT - Andrew Estes read a letter from Mr. Edzards concerning our request for buffalo meat, and Lower Brule has been allocated eight quarters. Grace mentioned we had promised some of this for the convocation. Grace Estes made a motion to request this meat and to adopt the Memorandum of Agreement. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(19)

PUBLIC HEALTH, ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - A letter dated December 31st from Joe Exendine, P.H.S. Tribal Affairs Officer, was read, concerning a meeting to be held in Aberdeen on February 5th and 6th, and requesting the name of our tribal representative.

(20)

THANK-YOU LETTER - A letter was read from Mrs. John Estes thanking the Tribe for the Christmas donation made to the Episcopal Church.

(21)

N.C.A.I. REQUEST TO RETAIN COMMISSIONER BENNETT - Andrew Estes said we had a letter from the N.C.A.I. requesting our support in efforts to retain Commissioner Bennett as Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Clarence Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution to that effect. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(22)

CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING - The chairman stated we needed to set up a credit committee meeting and that Mr. McKay, the Credit Officer, was going to Lawrence Thompson's and would notify us of a time for the meeting.

(23)

CATTLE AND RANCH REPORT - Andrew Estes read the report which he made on Jerauld Jandreau's cattle count and said it seemed he had adequate feed.

(24)

HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM - Andrew said he had a letter from the Area Office, Dr. Lawler, and he was going to explain the program at a meeting today. We might be able to make a better personnel selection if we wait till after this meeting today.

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 9, 1969

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OMNIBUS CRIME CONTROL BILL - A letter from Aberdeen was read concerning the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, Public Law 90-351. This act was circulated to the council for their review.

(26)

DEER FOR CONVOCATION - Clarence said that Joe Blacksmith called and asked about getting eight buck deer for convocation. Andrew said they had talked about it but were supposed to find out about locker space, etc. Andrew asked who would get the permit. Grace Estes paid for the license as a donation.

(27)

LAND PURCHASES, FORT HALE - Clarence Thompson said that there is some tribal land which Amy Carpenter has been leasing each year and she would like to buy it. It is 80 acres in Section 31, Township 106 N, R. 71 W.. He said further that under the land purchase program he would be entitled to buy 80 acres more land, and he said he would like to reserve 80 acres in that section to buy as soon as the helrship title to the land is cleared. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an appraisal on that. (Amy Carpenter land). The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(28)

O.E.O. MATTERS - Some O.E.O. matters were discussed briefly, such as selecting personnel on their qualifications and the possibility of getting two representati from Lower Brule on the personnel selection committee.

(29)

ROADS - Andrew Estes said he had a letter from Commissioner Bennett. He said he called Mr. Bennett about our road conditions. The letter was read and told of their plans for repairing the various roads.

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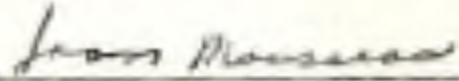
TRIBAL TRACTOR AND FIRE TRUCK - Andrew Estes said they need a bigger tractor with a bucket on it and maybe a digger attachment. We could also use our own digger and trail a man for coing our own work, and could also use a dump truck if people want it hauled this spring. He said he was thinking of getting rid of our old fire wagon and trading it in on something we could use. Orville Langdeau made a motion to authorize the chairman to do this. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(31)

ADJOURNMENT - Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against, Clarence absent.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on January 8th and 9th, 1969.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JANUARY 29, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on January 29, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 1:45 p.m. with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau

Others Present

Gabe Williams, Reservation Principal
Ray Stern, Aberdeen, Division of Educ.
Francis Vrisco, Asst. Area Director
Donald Peters, Principal, Lower Brule
Melvin Eddy, Contracting Officer, Aberdeen

George Tlustos, Housing Officer
Donald Isburg, Housing Specialist, O.E.C.
Abe C. Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by Orville Langdeau, Chaplain.

(1)

ENTER INTO "BUY INDIAN" CONTRACT ON EDUCATION, TITLE I EMPLOYEES - Andrew Estes asked everyone to introduce themselves, then he called on Mr. Williams. Mr. Williams said that Mr. Edzards had talked to some of the council about working out a contract for personnel services for Pierre Boarding School and Lower Brule Day School Title I employees. This would involve about twenty-two people, sixteen from Pierre and six from Lower Brule. They are the kindergarten teacher and aide, one classroom teacher hired to separate grades one and two, instructional aides to assist in the classroom, night attendants for the Pierre Boarding School, waiters, to assist in the kitchen and also a driver-janitor who transports children to and from the doctor and for contract dental services. What they would like to do is work out a contract with the Tribe, effective this Friday if possible, so that the money for the salaries can be transferred to the Tribe and the people could be transferred from the B.I.A. payroll to our payroll. The reason for this is that they are faced with government employment ceilings and must get down under these ceilings and would otherwise have to lay these people off, and to get along without these people, even for two days, would be plenty tough. It has been the Commissioner's policy to work in this direction as fast as possible to get more tribal involvement and to transfer certain Bureau functions to the Tribe. Joyce Estes was called in and some details of this were discussed. Mr. Stern said that it would just involve writing the checks and making the payroll tax deposits and that they would prepare the time sheets and figure the wages. The council discussed this and Clarence Thompson made a motion to draw up a resolution agreeing to enter into the contract and authorize the chairman to sign the contract. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against. They thanked the council and Mr. Peters said he would welcome this opportunity to work co-operatively with the Tribe.

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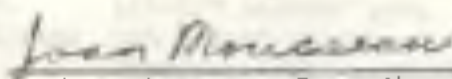
TURN-KEY HOUSING - The Chairman called on George Tlustos on housing. Mr. Tlustos said we have here today Don Isburg, whom the Tribes hired as Housing Specialist to work with both Crow Creek and Lower Brule and he has done some work on getting the names of people and applications for those interested in Turn-Key Housing. Mr. Tlustos again reviewed the eligibility requirements for this housing, and the type of house. Orville Langdeau asked about basements and this was discussed. Mr. Tlustos said he did not think Chicago would approve them, and he said there is a project at Fort Thompson where they are putting them in. Chicago did not approve the basement, but they did approve the development cost which was high enough so that they could put them in. The council stressed the need for this housing as we do not have one empty house here. Grace said we are getting industry here and there are people who want to come back, but they say where would they live. Andrew Estes asked if there was anything we could do to get more houses approved. Mr. Tlustos said the next step was to get the applications together and get them screened for eligibility. He suggested that some from the council and some from the Housing Authority get together and do this. Andrew Estes set the date of February 7th at 1:00 p.m. for this and asked that the whole council come for this. Andrew Estes called on Abe Langdeau. Abe Langdeau said that he has been interested in this housing program and his main interest would be in the type of house selected and construction of it. He also mentioned basements and the additional expense involved and soil changes.

(3)

ADJOURNMENT - Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on January 29, 1969.



Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 5, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, S. Dak., on February 5, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:30 a.m. with roll call as follows:

Present:

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Sr., Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau (arrived 1:00 p.m.)

The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau. Copies of minutes of the January 29th meeting, copies of financial statements, and other literature were distributed to the council and a few minutes were allowed for review and questions on these.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Clarence Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes (of meetings held on January 8-9, and 29th). The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(2)

MINUTES FOR INTER-TRIBAL MEETINGS - Grace Estes made a motion to request that we be given copies of minutes of the inter-tribal meetings. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(3)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The chairman passed around the invoice from Attorney Larson to the council to review, which invoice was for \$133.25 for the period of December 17th through January 17th. Grace Estes inquired about the Chalomar settlement and the Chairman stated that Attorney Bubak would be here today to talk with the council on this. Grace Estes made a motion to approve this invoice. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

RENEW GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT - The Chairman stated that our contract with Larson and Bubak expires March 16th and needs to be renewed. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution to extend this contract. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(5)

N.C.A.I. DUES - The Chairman stated that our N.C.A.I. dues are due and they have assessed us \$250 for 1969. Grace Estes reported that at the last executive meeting of the National Congress of American Indians they voted to move the branch office from Denver to Albuquerque. This was discussed and the United Sioux organization was also brought up. Dryville said he thought we should get more involved in both these organizations, as you don't realize how important they are until you sit in on a few meetings. Grace said the United Sioux organization is very important on the state level and also carries a lot of weight in the N.C.A.I., and the N.C.A.I. is important on the national level. Clarence Thompson made a motion to pay our dues to the N.C.A.I. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

ENROLLMENT - The Chairman stated that we have enrollment applications for Michael Duane Yellow, son of Donna Estes Yellow and Donald Yellow; Spencer Ray Estes, son of Ramona and Clyde Gensler Estes; Ananda Lee P.S. Flute, daughter of Isabell and Virgil P.S. Flute. Kay Gournau made a motion to approve these three enrollments. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against. The chairman also stated we have a letter from Betty Durkin concerning enrollment of her children and this letter was passed to the council for their review. Clarence Thompson suggested we table this as there are people waiting.

(7)

LYMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT - Gerald Gerard, Chairman of the School Board and Loris Lindskov came to inform the council on the new district. April 8th is the date for the election for the nine-man school board and until that time, the Clerks of the various common school districts have been acting as the board. As Lower Brule does not have a representative, he had called to inform us of the last board meeting; however no one came so he didn't know if we had received the message. He said February 21st to March 10th is the time for filling nominating petitions and if we have a candidate we would like to run, we could get the petition and decide which position to run for. He said Lyman County has decided to operate three high schools this year, Vivian, Presho and Kennebec. He said he didn't know what Reliance plans are but a vote is coming up in Reliance whether to dissolve their district and if so to join either Brule or Lyman County.

(8)

CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Minutes of Credit Committee meetings held on January 15th and 29th were passed to the council for their review. The chairman stated Lawrence Thompson wants to borrow from the bank and needs authorization from the council to guarantee payment from his cattle sale. Clarence Thompson suggested this be tabled until Mr. McKay arrives as he thinks Lawrence should sign that mortgage first.

(9)

LETTER CONCERNING CAFE BUILDING - The chairman stated we have a letter from Charles W. Herman, Carol Jean's husband, requesting a long term lease on the cafe and converting it to a laundromat. Clarence said this would take a lot of changing around and he would like to see them leave it like it is. J. W.

Thompson agreed as when Omni gets this ninety people working down here, we will practically have to have a place for them to eat lunch. Andrew Estes said if someone wanted to run it as a cafe, they should be able to get an S.B.A. loan to get started. Clarence Thompson made a motion to leave it as a cafe. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and one, Orville Langdeau, not voting.

(10)

REPORT FROM C.A.P. DIRECTOR - Abe Langdeau, the newly elected C.A.P. Director, said that he has not yet had the opportunity to set up any special guidelines for preparing programs; however, he would like to inform the council concerning one program which is perhaps in need of revision. This would be the legal aid program. He emphasized that the need for clarification on legal matters is becoming more common and it would be in the interest of the community to provide for these legal services. He said that this program is not set up for refunding and his information is that it has been taken over by Rosebud. No definite date has been set up for these attorneys to be in Fort Thompson or Lower Brule, but they have been coming every other Friday. He said that the O.E.O. Programs are still in the state of refunding and it is rather slow and that the office procedures are not up to date but they worked late last evening and are working today to bring up the requirements.

(11)

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT - Copies of an Industrial Development Report made by Orville Langdeau on their trip to Universal Manufacturing Co. in Michigan were distributed to the council. Orville Langdeau suggested we table this until Jim Swenson arrives.

(12)

DONATION, INDEPENDENT BASKETBALL TEAM - Gene Wilson spoke for the Lower Brule Independent basketball team in requesting the \$10.00 entry fee for the tournament to be held at Fort Thompson, which entry fees are to be used for trophies, etc. J. W. Thompson made a motion to pay this. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(13)

EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE - A letter was read concerning the State Commission of Indian Affairs committee on education which is sponsoring an education meeting for tribal leaders at Intermountain on March 23rd through 28th. They will pay for the round trip ticket and board and room. Andrew Estes said he would table this and wait for a volunteer.

(The meeting recessed for lunch which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

The Chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:10 p.m. with the council present and others present as follows:

Ray Harris, E.D.A., Duluth, Minn.	
Keith Tines, Architect, Valentine, Nebr.	
Jim Swenson, Industrial Development Officer, O.E.O.	
Floyd Whiteley, Chairman of the Board, Omni Design	
Floyd Taylor, Omni Design	
Stan Humphrey, Omni Design	Abe Langdeau, C.A.P. Director
Edward Edzards, Superintendent	
Carl Smith, Industrial Development	
Joe Brewer, Realty Officer	

REQUEST E.D.A. GRANT FOR INDUSTRIAL BUILDING -- Introductions were made and the Chairman called on Keith Titus. Mr. Titus stated his original reason for coming to the meeting was about the neighborhood center and to assist us in any way necessary to bring our application up to date and to finalize the floor plan. Since then, he received a phone call saying we were interested in a multi-purpose manufacturing facility, and he did bring the plans for the building he had designed at Rosebud; however, after talking with Mr. Whiteley, he finds this is not what he has in mind and he has a tentative proposal of the type of building he wants. Mr. Whiteley stated that on this Raytheon deal, everything is tentatively set for the 17th, so unless someone backs out, the present facilities are not large enough. He is asking for a 15,000 square foot building, with the type of construction similar to Cal-Dak, which could be used as a multi-purpose building. Mr. Whiteley passed around pictures of a building of the type needed and said that to meet the wage and hour requirements of military contracts, for welding the floor must be tiled, there must be rest facilities for men and women and a lunch counter, and he also outlined other building requirements, such as the life-test room and emergency generating equipment, storage room, etc. The chairman then called on Mr. Harnes to explain the E.D.A. financing on this. Mr. Harnes said that we were talking about an 80% grant and 20% loan, and long term lease from the operator to take care of the payments. However, E.D.A. has financed a building in Minneapolis but it went with a 50% grant and 50% loan. On new projects, they are trying to set them up as 50% grant and 50% loan. We could make application for the 80% grant, but somewhere along the line they will probably suggest the 50-50 basis. They discussed the building further, the air conditioning, roof design, etc. and costs of such a building, and Mr. Titus said that this building would be right at about \$200,000. There is quite a bit of mechanical and electrical involved and he thought this figure would be close. Mr. Whiteley said this building was quoted at \$140,000 and that was with carpeting and everything. It was going to be on six acres and they wanted \$30,000 an acre for the land, so they couldn't build. Many other aspects of this building were discussed, interest and term of the loan, production, etc., and Mr. Whiteley also mentioned that this project would run close to eighty or ninety people in addition to what they are now using. Mr. Titus said he would be glad to assist with the application form. Mr. Harnes said on the 25th and 26th of February they are planning on going into Duluth. Mr. Whiteley said they could have the preliminaries ready by then and Stan Humphrey could be working on this. The extension of the industrial park was also mentioned and Mr. Titus said that he had contacted George Fullerton on this and, although he couldn't make it today, he said he would take care of it. It was mentioned that our water and sewage disposal system would have to be adequate to handle this expansion. Grace asked what would be needed from the council, and a resolution was suggested. Grace Estes made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting this building and asking for an E.D.A. grant to build the building, and authorizing the Chairman to sign the necessary applications. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. A special meeting was set for February 21st to get the forms in order.

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NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - The sketch of the Neighborhood Center was brought in and the council reviewed the floor plan. Mr. Titus stated that the grant for this was approved for \$94,000. Mr. Titus said they would start the working drawings immediately so that construction could begin this spring, and he asked if the council had ratified the agreement for architectural services. The agreement was passed around for council review and Grace Estes made a motion to adopt this contract with Keith Titus. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Attorney Bubak said he had a call from the Attorney for Chalomar and they would like to settle for \$12,500. He asked for questions and Orville asked if there is any new word from the solicitors office. Mr. Bubak said the solicitors office at this time is of the opinion that the only way the federal attorney can assist is if there was a crime involved. He said we are dealing with two parties, Cal-Dak and Chalomar. Cal-Dak is defunct and they owe most of the money. Chalomar owes about \$10,000 for back rent and that is all they owe, and this \$12,500 would be coming from Chalomar. Considering the time and expense involved to the Tribe, because this will take a lot of work both in South Dakota and California, he urged the council to accept the offer. He said the property is virtually worthless and we can go out to California and be in the courts for three years and the attorneys out there will walk away with one-third of what we get. We may very well end up with nothing. He said it would cost at least \$5,000 to get things going in California and that would be just a start. He said his advice and Mr. Larson's advice is to take the settlement. Kay asked if anyone had contacted the senators and congressmen. Mr. Edzards said he can't figure out why they are making this offer at all. Attorney Bubak said that he would contact the congressmen and try to get an answer back, and he excused himself as he was due back in Kennebec.

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UNIVERSAL MANUFACTURING - Jim Swenson said when they started dealing with the Universal Manufacturing Company it seemed that it would be a good tribal venture. Since then within the past month things have changed so drastically, that it seems like that by July ever individual on the reservation wanting to work will be working. Universal has tremendous potential but there are a lot of complications involved. The moving of the men up there is the only way to make it profitable on a first year basis. Economically it is real good, but he has come to the conclusion that it wouldn't be right for the Tribe. It will go on the reservation, either here or Fort Thompson, but it will be privately owned. He said that industries are coming to the reservations now because we are getting good publicity and we could get just as good a deal from the profit standpoint with a lot fewer headaches.

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OWN BUSINESS LOANS - Mr. Swenson said further that at this point the council should stress the use of the "Own" Business Loan that the Small Business Administration is giving to people on the reservations. They can borrow up to \$25,000 with no down payment, and this is real good for an individual wanting to go into business. Carl Smith said that anyone wanting to go into business should do it immediately, as he heard yesterday that O.J.F. funds were froze and the same thing might happen to Own.

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ENROLLMENT - Dorothy Jones came in with her daughter Janice and requested enrollment of Janice's baby. She stated they do not have any permanent address because her husband is in the armed forces, and right now she is with Dorothy and they feel the baby would be eligible for enrollment. An application was also received from Helen Thompson for her daughter Lynnell Rae. The letter of Betty Durkin requesting enrollment of her children Kathleen, Judy, and Leo was again brought up, which letter states that they were away from the reservation when Leo worked with the A.E.C. as a Lieutenant, but they had still considered South Dakota as their residence. Orville Langdeau stated that the council had previously denied enrollment of the child of Loy Lee Whitcomb because of the degree of blood, and the old census books were brought in and Orville pointed out some discrepancies in the degrees of blood in the new book as compared with the old records. The council reviewed these books and discussed these various enrollments. Clarence Thompson made a motion to enroll those with one-quarter degree Indian blood, and if anyone wants to go back and check these books and make any corrections, this could be brought up later. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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LAND EXCHANGE - Joe Brewor said there was a land exchange where Vera Gandt wants to exchange her allotment for one where she is living down here. Her allotment was for 160 acres valued at \$5750. The exchange is for 220 acres valued at \$5800. The reason for the difference in acreage is that the 160 acres was good grass land with water, and the exchange land is rough and hilly. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve this exchange. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

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LAND SALE - Andrew Estes said we have a letter from George Small and Arbie Small saying that Arbie wants to sell his land to the Tribe. Joe Brewor said this came up before but their application was disapproved because they didn't have any reason to sell it. The land is in the consolidated area. Charles Langdeau made a motion to buy this land. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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MEETING WITH GOVERNOR - A letter was read from Mr. Ashley stating that there would be a meeting with all Tribal chairmen with Governor Farrar on Friday, February 14th.

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UNITED SIOUX MEETING - A letter was also read stating there would be a United Sioux meeting on February 21st.

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REALTY CLERK - Mr. Edzards said they have been without a realty clerk in Pierre for a long time and they will not be able to fill this position and a lot of work needs to be done, some Brulie work, land sales, exchanges, etc. He said they receive about \$4500 per year in execution fees, filing fees, and they would rather, instead of turning this back to the Treasury, establish a position and pay this to the Tribe for the salary. He said that the position would need to be a GS-4 and that this wouldn't be quite enough and would cost the tribe about \$500 a year. He said if Lower Brule would go along with this, they will also contact Crow Creek and see if they will also contribute for this position. J. W. Thompson made a motion to go along with Mr. Edzard's proposal providing Crow Creek will also participate. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

DOROTHY JONES HOMESITE - Dorothy Jones said that the council at one time gave her two acres of land as a homesite but she never received any kind of paper on this. Joe Brewer said that he could make her up a twenty-five year lease, as this is the usual procedure, and they have the option to renew at the end of this time.

(25)

LAW AND ORDER PROPOSAL - Mr. Edzards asked if any further discussions have been made on this law and order proposal (of turning it over to the Tribe on the Buy Indian Contract.). Andrew asked if this would mean they would transfer our two police. Mr. Edzards said they would offer them other jobs, and we could also offer them a job, of course if they transfer they would continue being a B.I.A. employee, but would lose their retirement if they stayed. Kay Gourneau said we are involved in so many things right now, they were thinking of waiting a little before we make a decision. J. W. Thompson asked if they are doing this any place else. Mr. Edzards said in part, not in total. Some tribes have contracted to pay one or two positions. Orville Langdeau said the thing most of us worry about is finding a new police force. Andrew said we would kick this around a little more, and Mr. Edzards said if we do decide, to let him know and they will work something up.

(27)

TURN-KEY HOUSING MEETING - Mr. Tlustos asked if the meeting set up for Friday, the 7th, is still on, to go over the applications. Andrew Estes told him yes.

(28)

REQUEST FOR DONATION - A letter was read from Father Fagan requesting a donation to keep the Sioux for Christ radio program on the air. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give them \$25.00. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(29)

INDIAN ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME - The chairman read a letter from the Superintendent forwarding an Area Office Memorandum asking if the Council would like to nominate a member for the athletic hall of fame, and if so we should send a biography, the trophies this person won, etc.

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RAYTHEON OVEN DEAL - Andrew Estes said he would like a motion or resolution from the council, that he has to go to Boston on the 17th, on this oven deal, and that Governor Farrar is going. He would like to have authorization to sign any papers that he may have to sign. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the chairman to sign any necessary papers. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, one absent.

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TRIBAL PICKUP - The Chairman stated the tribal pickup is using four or five quarts of oil a day and he was thinking of trading it in. The council discussed this and Charles Langdeau made a motion to have it over-hauled. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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ADJOURNMENT - J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for, none against.

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 11, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, South Dakota, on February 11, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:40 a.m. with members present as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice Chairman
Ray Gournneau, Secretary-Treasurer
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes

Absent

Charles Langdeau

Others Present

Edward Edzards, Superintendent
Duane Harder, Industrial Dev. Officer
John W. Larson, Attorney
Floyd Taylor, Omni Design
Jim Swenson, Industrial Dev. Officer

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

RAYTHEON OVEN PURCHASE - Andrew Estes said that last week they had a meeting at the Bank with the Small Business Administration and ran into a snag, so he called this meeting to get the council's feelings and he called on Floyd Taylor.

Mr. Taylor said Mr. Whiteley could not be here today, but that he would explain what had happened on this. He reviewed the negotiations which had taken place, how Mr. Whiteley was interested in purchasing the marketing and manufacturing rights on the Raytheon micro-wave oven and how they had gone to Boston and discussed this with Raytheon. He reviewed the meetings which had taken place with the S.B.A. concerning financing for this purchase. Omni Design agreed to put in \$250,000 and they asked the Tribe to come in with \$250,000, with a total package of \$500,000. This has been discussed between Omni Design, S.B.A., and the Tribe and they met three times with the Small Business Administration. The S.B.A. said they would lend money to Lower Brule Electronics, pending results of a feasibility study which would have to be made, and they would like the tribe to contribute an amount of cash, and they were talking about \$100,000, because they thought there should be tribal involvement. Mr. Schelle said the bank would participate on a guarantee type loan. That is why we are here today, to find out how the council, with the Bureau's advice, could best approach this.

Attorney Larson asked questions and discussed various aspects of the transaction with Mr. Harder. He inquired about the term of the patent rights which would be purchased and said he thought this would be crucial as they are good for seventeen years and after that they become public property and anyone can use them. Mr. Harder said that before S.B.A. will make any commitment on the financing, they must have a feasibility study and the man who makes these studies has been placed on jury duty for one month and hasn't been able to do it

Attorney Larson said he would like to point out that business advice is not his field, and we would have to get this somewhere else. The legalities of the thing and how to tie it down is what they deal primarily in. He asked what is the Tribe getting for this money. Mr. Harder said presumably they would get \$100,000 worth of stock. Mr. Harder said the original plan was for the Tribe to borrow from S.B.A. and then reinvest this; but it was discovered that the Tribe is looked upon as another governing body and is ineligible to receive a loan direct. There was some discussion as to the companies involved, Omni Design which has a parent company in Minneapolis, Lower Brule Electronics, and the other companies on other reservations. Mr. Larson said that when other things are involved and things do go bad, when you try and trace out what happened, you can't do it. Clarence Thompson said that he agreed with this, as the Tribe lost money on the last deal because of the transfer from one company to another. Floyd Taylor said that there would be no mingling of funds, and that any loans from one company to another would be shown in the form of a stock transfer, so that everything would be shown.

The oven was discussed and the other companies interested in it. Floyd Taylor said that Litton is interested in it but are having trouble with their ovens because of the door leakage in radiation. They are coming to Raytheon to provide them with the ovens they need. Mr. Whiteley worked for Litton and knows their oven, and he also worked for Raytheon on the development of their oven. That is the only reason they got in the door at Raytheon, because they knew Mr. Whiteley. Seeburg is offering Raytheon \$400,000 for the oven, but they would rather see Omni get it because Omni has the background and engineering to carry on the development of this oven.

J. W. Thompson asked what is the problem of the Tribe. It appears that S.B.A. wouldn't come through with the total package of \$250,000 so they are asking the Tribe to put in \$100,000. So we have a decision to make here, whether we want to do this or not. Floyd Taylor said that S.B.A. wanted the Tribe involved. Mr. Swenson said that this figure may be high, and after the feasibility study is made, if it looks right, this figure might be cut in half. The council discussed this and said they would need to know the results of the feasibility study before committing tribal funds.

Mr. Larson asked a few more questions, he asked again why Raytheon was selling this for \$250,000. Mr. Swenson replied for the same reason they sold the rights to the fluorescent light to Sylvania. They are not commercially oriented. Floyd mentioned also that they developed the acutron watch which they sold to Bulova. Mr. Larson asked about the building, and if our present building would be adequate to get started and get this off the ground. Floyd said yes, initially. The E.D.A. grant application for another larger building was also brought up. Floyd Taylor said that the buildings would be leased on a lease contract.

Attorney Larson said that this rental just isn't working out. No one ever pays the rent. It would be a better deal where the Tribe's contribution in the business would come out some other way. If the Tribe contributes the use of a \$75,000 building, they have already made quite a contribution, even if it is a rental. Mr. Harder said that the S.B.A. kept saying they want tribal involvement. Mr. Larson said they are involved, up to their ears.

The council discussed this further and what kind of a motion would be needed. Clarence said if we make a motion, he thinks we should make one which Mr. Larson would believe in. Mr. Larson: Again, I don't feel qualified to make a statement on whether you should or shouldn't do this. That is out of my line, and I don't have enough information to base a decision on. If it were me or my money, I do have this feeling. As a by-stander, if you do go into it, I think you should strive for more consideration for the use of that building, because that is a substantial contribution. Maybe this hasn't been discussed with S.B.A. yet. Maybe this could be worked out on a moratorium of rental. Anytime the tribe is sitting here with a building that industry is going to move into, the building is provided which would otherwise take a big cash outlay. My thinking is that in the financing of it, they should take this into consideration.

Grace asked for Mr. Edzards opinion, and he commented that we have an industrial development program set up, and of course are interested in something which will provide job opportunities for the people. Mr. Larson mentioned that when you deal with promoting industry, you have to expect losses. He referred to the balance sheet which showed the cost of labor at \$24.00 per oven, and he questioned this small figure for labor when the total product cost is so high. Mr. Taylor said this \$24.00 was for assembly only.

Andrew Estes said the meeting would adjourn for dinner, which was served by Home Management at St. Mary's Hall.

The chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:15 and asked what was the council's decision or answer on this. Kay Gourneau said she would like to make a motion saying we are interested in this deal depending on what S.B.A.'s feasibility study shows, and something to the effect about this building. Mr. Larson said one way would be that in figuring the contribution of the tribe, it should be taken into consideration that they will be furnishing capital outlay of so many dollars per month in the form of the building. Orville Langdaau mentioned including in the resolution the figure up to the amount of \$100,000. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

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CORPS LAND SETTLEMENT - J. W. Thompson asked what happened to that land trade between the Corps and the Tribe. Mr. Larson said that this is complete, we have the deeds and it has been recorded. Grace Estes said she thought we agreed on \$23,000, and the last amount received was \$8,000. Joyce Estes brought in the records which showed that \$13,000 was received before, and this last amount received was the balance.

(3)

PIERRE BOARDING SCHOOL GRANT - Grace Estes mentioned that Carol Goodface was now attending Pierre Boarding School and the social worker has asked if she would be entitled to the \$2.00 a month which the other Lower Brule students receive. The council agreed she should have this for the rest of the year.

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(4)

LAW AND ORDER LIQUOR CODE - Mr. Edzards said there was a question raised on our Law and Order code, and he didn't know if the Law and Order Committee had it straightened out. There was an arrest made on a person in possession of a broken seal. Your Chapter XIV Liquor code, just says that it is legal to have liquor on the reservation as long as it is in conformity with state laws regarding possession, sale and transportation. He asked if it was the council's interpretation on this that the state laws would apply. The council indicated yes, that would be the interpretation.

ADJOURNMENT - Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(5)

LAWRENCE THOMPSON REQUEST - The meeting was called back to order as Lawrence Thompson came to see the council in regard to approval of his bank loan with his cattle as security. He brought in the signed mortgage papers on his land and presented them to the council. J. W. Thompson made a motion to authorize him to go ahead with his loan from the Tri-County Bank with the Tribe acting as co-signer. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Lawrence Thompson said they would be going around to lay out the site plans on the turn-key homes and make the survey on water, and would like someone from the council to go with them. Andrew Estes designated Clarence Thompson and Orville Langdeau to go with him to make this survey.

(7)

ADJOURNMENT - Grace Estes moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

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Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MARCH 5, 1969

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Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary Treasurer
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes

Absent

Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The Chairman stated that we have minutes of previous meetings, the regular meeting of February 5th and the Special Meeting of February 11th. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve them. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(2)

COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM - The chairman stated that before we move into our regular agenda, he would like to call on Mr. Lavern Reinhart, Community Health Representative Coordinator, to give a report on the school and training they received. Mr. Reinhart said that the training they received in Tucson covered the areas in which they would be working, and this was basically a program to promote better understanding between the Public Health Service and our community, and to administer first aid in case of emergency, to provide transportation for the sick, ill and aged for medical purposes, and to provide a follow-up program on patients after their release from the hospital, to follow up on cases such as diabetes, etc., and primarily to deal with health and sanitation problems of our community. He said the Community Health Center will be located right in the store building, next to the kindergarten classroom. Mrs. Alvena Hudson asked for assistance from the council in getting this program started, as it is a new program and needs to be described to the people. Kay Gourneau asked the council if these new C.H.R.'s and coordinator could be made members of our tribal health committee, as they attend various health meetings which are valuable, and they could get a lot out of the meetings and it would be helpful to them in their work. Mrs. Hudson stated that she thought she should dissolve her chairmanship of this committee. Mrs. Grace Estes said when we have designated our committees, a council member is usually chairman, and she made a motion to have Mrs. Kay Gourneau as chairman of the health committee and to have the C.H.R.'s and coordinator on the health committee. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau. There was a discussion as to whether the previous health committee members would still be interested in serving on this committee and Kay Gourneau suggested calling a meeting with these members of the old health

committee and see if they are still interested. A vote was taken and Mrs. Estes motion carried with five for, none against. Mrs. Estes said she would like to go on record as saying that the council is one-hundred percent behind the health committee, they have had training, and it is up to them now to make a success of this. The chairman said that he told Mr. Reinhart that he could have permission to use the tribal car. Kay Gourneau suggested trading the car in on a station wagon as it would be more effective for health purposes. The chairman suggested we could do this after July and set up the budget accordingly, and have an emergency red light installed on the station wagon.

(3)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The chairman stated we have an invoice from Attorney Larson for \$108.40 for the period from January 17th through February 16th. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's invoice. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

APPROVE PAYMENT TO ATTORNEY SONOSKY - The chairman stated that we need to adopt a resolution to approve payment of \$97.98 to Attorney Sonosky, which is Lower Brule's share of the attorneys fee on the Black Hills Claim contract. Clarence Thompson made a motion to take care of this bill. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(5)

REQUEST AUDIT - The chairman stated we need a resolution to request an audit of the tribal books as of July 1st, 1969. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an audit. The motion was seconded by Orville Langbeau and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

ENROLLMENT - An application for enrollment was received for Sharon Darlene Small, child of Maxine Mildred Small. The council discussed this and although she was born in 1951, she has always been a resident of Lower Brule so that she would be eligible. Grace Estes made a motion to enroll Sharon Darlene Small. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(7)

MUTUAL-HELP HOUSE REPAIR - Evert Fletcher came and discussed with the council problems they are encountering on the mutual-help houses with the floor settling. He said he wasn't sure of the cause of the problem, that it might have been green lumber, or it might have been a fault of the Littleton plan as the floor is only blocked at the center and that is a 12 foot span to the walls with 2x8" stringers. The council discussed this and what type of blocking would be needed to correct the situation, and Mr. Fletcher said that it should be done soon before summer, because if the lumber dries, it will not come back. Clarence Thompson made a motion to contact the contractor who is responsible for furnishing the material and who is responsible. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Estes and carried with five for and none against. The chairman stated that he would contact Knecht and see if they would be willing to furnish the additional material needed for this floor support.

(8)

SITE FOR TURN-KEY HOUSES - Evert Fletcher asked about the location for the turn-key houses and said they would like to put the twenty low-rent houses near the gas tank and keep the low rent units together, either in the trailer court area if there is room, or possibly behind the present units. Andrew Estes asked if someone would make a motion as to how to handle the space for these houses. Evert said Mr. Tlustos and an inspector were coming Friday. Clarence Thompson suggested we let Andrew take care of that and get the site worked up.

(9)

HIGH SCHOOL - Andrew Estes said he went to a school meeting in Presho Tuesday night, and they are having a meeting the 11th at Presho. He said that if we want to get a school at this end of the county, we are going to have to get together and really work. Kay Gourneau mentioned that if Fort Thompson would go with us, we could get a school, but they want it right in Fort Thompson. Evert Fletcher mentioned also that if our kids have to go as far as Presho or Kennebec to school, it will be too far for them to participate in extra-curricular activities. Andrew Estes said there is a meeting in Presho Tuesday night at about 7:00 at the school and some of us should attend.

(10)

OMNI LEASE - The chairman said that Attorney Bubak asked about preparing the lease for the Omni plant and whether we wanted a flat rate or a rent based on the number of employees. Kay Gourneau stated that he had suggested a flat rate. The original proposal was referred to, which specified a minimum rent of \$400 per month based on 40 employees, with a maximum of \$600 with less than 20 employees. J. W. Thompson said it didn't matter to him, but he thought the \$400 minimum is ample rent for the building. Orville Langdeau made a motion that we charge a flat rate of \$400 per month. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(11)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Kay Gourneau stated that Attorney Bubak had suggested we make a counter offer of settlement to Chalomar for \$18,000. J. W. Thompson stated Chalomar's last offer was \$12,000. Kay stated that it seems that Chalomar doesn't want to go into bankruptcy because this will ruin their chance for a merger with Redcor; however, unless we settle, they will be forced into bankruptcy. J. W. Thompson said he thought we should ask for more than that, and he suggested a counter offer of \$26,000, which would be about half of the original loans. Orville Langdeau inquired about the equipment which they left at the plant here, and Kay Gourneau suggested we could make that a part of our offer of settlement, that we keep that. Grace Estes made that a motion, to make a counter offer of \$26,000 plus the equipment. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(12)

REQUEST FOR APPRAISALS - The chairman stated we have a request from Charles Whistler to sell his interest in land, that is in the Long Fish Estate. There is also a request from Addie White Lark Eagle Dog to sell her interest in the Lucy Standing Cloud Estate. Kay Gourneau made a motion to have both of these tracts of land appraised. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

(During the noon break, the Credit Committee had an informal meeting with Mr. McKay)

The chairman called the meeting back to order at 2:10 p.m. with the following people in addition to the council present:

Mr. Lloyd Whiteley
 Mr. Floyd Taylor
 Mr. Edward Edzards
 Mr. Joe Brewer
 Mr. Carl Smith

(13)

OMNI DESIGN - The chairman gave the floor to Mr. Whiteley and said he wants to explain. Mr. Whiteley said that he thought some explanation was necessary. When they came on the reservation, they were financially weak but had a stock issue going which was what they were going to use to do the job. A few months ago he heard there were people trying to undermine us. It was hard to determine who it was and what their reasons were. Two weeks ago we went to Raytheon to finalize the agreement on the purchase of the micro-wave oven. At that time, Raytheon called and said the financial community in Minneapolis were trying to get this for Minneapolis and had threatened to kick Whiteley out and put Crocker in. Mr. Whiteley found this out and went back to the promotor. He was supposed to have had 65,000 shares of stock sold, but he hadn't, so they terminated his agreement and the line of credit at the bank was shut off. The money for payrolls, etc. was set aside; however, the people spent this money to pay bills which they shouldn't have paid, and didn't pay the bills which they should have. When you have a stock issue, you cannot change management because if this happens, they make them start all over on the stock issue. Therefore, at the present time they cannot make a move. They have hired a firm to manage and carry out the stock issue. As for the checks which have bounced, these are all now being redeemed. They will be signed only by Cissy and Floyd Taylor, so that this area has been taken care of. Mr. Whiteley apologized and said this was a surprise to him as he didn't realize it happened until it did. It happened because people got greedy and wanted to take over the Raytheon package. Orville Langdeau asked how they stood with Raytheon. Mr. Whiteley: real good. Raytheon is still with us and they realize what has happened and they have only the best wishes for us to get it done and they are waiting. Mr. Whiteley said on the stock issue, they have to have so much money in the bank before they will release the issues. \$250,000 they must have. At that time they will release the dollars. Mr. Whiteley said on behalf of the people in Chamberlain, he found out that the total debt down there is about \$1500, but the sad part is that part of this went back to October. He said personally, tomorrow morning, he was going to go down and apologize for this. Mr. Edzards said he understood from S.D.A. that they will probably be making this feasibility study next week.

(14)

SNOW REMOVAL - The chairman called on Mr. Edzards. He said that we have no snow problem today, but our big snows may still be ahead of us. He said they have three additional trucks which they hope they will get right away. Right now most of the equipment is being worked on. Although we have had some problems, we are better off than in some areas.

(15)

LAW AND ORDER - Mr. Edzards said the Law and Order Committee has been reviewing some of the improvements we need to make in our law and order service. We had requested four positions for jailer-radio operator; however, we only got two of these four and because they were short officers at Fort, they got them. In regard to the judges, Mr. Edzards said they are not pledged to carry a judge full time. The chief judge is budgeted for two days a week, with an associate judge as traffic warrants. Orville Langdoan made a motion to adopt a resolution to request that the Bureau contract with the tribe for the position of jailer-radio operator and the judges position, as this will improve efficiency and economy to the government. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(16)

REALTY CLERK POSITION, PIERRE - Mr. Edzards said the council did agree to having the execution fees turned over to the tribe for funding this position; however, the execution fees became due in November and have already gone into the treasury. So this means there will be a delay in this; however, they will still hold the council resolution as binding until they can get the funds. In the meantime, maybe the freeze will be lifted so that this position can be filled.

(17)

LITTLE BEND ROAD - The chairman called on Emma Grassrope. Emma said she would like to ask a favor, and she would like to know if the gravel trucks could go up there and gravel because the school bus, head-start car, and the mail go up there. Even if the road isn't fixed, the gravel would make it passable, because as it is they can't get out. J. W. Thompson said that he heard Pate Coffey say he would do some spot gravelling this week. Mr. Edzards asked if Mrs. Grassrope was getting one of the new homes, and if so, where did she plan to put it. Emma said south of the place. Mr. Edzards suggested maybe they should consider leasing a place on the gravel, as there really is no road there, just a trail.

(18)

HONEY BEES - The chairman called on Carl Smith. Mr. Smith said that for some time he has been trying to get someone to get honey bees on the reservation for two purposes: for the food, and also to pollinate this alfalfa. Now he met someone who is interested in coming on the reservation. He made a spot check and said wherever they set their hives, they would give sixty pounds of honey a year for the site. Of course this has to be checked out by the state. If the tribe is interested in going ahead with that, it will cost the tribe nothing. Some of it would be on tribal land; some might be on private land. J. W. Thompson remarked, you don't suppose we will get stung do you. Grace Estes mentioned that some people are allergic to the stings. Clarence remarked that if he has the honey, we have the time.

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COUNSELLOR CREEK DEVELOPMENT - Carl Smith said there was a man from Chicago interested in building a recreational complex and that he sent him a copy of the Counsellor Creek study made four or five years ago. If they are interested, they will come out and look over this area. Mr. Smith said that this man's name was Meglan. Grace Estes said she thought there was potential and that it would pull money in for the Tribe.

(20)

WM. HAUFF TRANSFER - Mr. Edzards mentioned that Mr. Hauff, road supervisor and engineer, has been transferred and this will be his last week here. They will be putting out a P.O.B. on his position.

(21)

LAND TRANSACTIONS - Joe Brewer stated that there is the Julie Fire Cloud exchange assignment, that they would like to get reassigned to the current heirs, Walter Sazue and George Track, Jr., and they will each be entitled to half. In the same resolution, we could approve the proposed partitionment which they have worked up between them. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt this resolution. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

Joe Brewer said that they have the appraisal worked up on George's half section, and that he had indicated that if the price was right he would sell it to the Tribe. J. W. Thompson made a motion to authorize Joe Brewer to make him that offer. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(22)

LAND LEASES - Joe Brewer stated that George Christenson has some submarginal land and he would like to renew the lease. Andrew Estes said this land is between the church and Shaffers, and that hay could be cut but it would have to just lay for about two years as it is bare. J. W. Thompson made a motion to table that request. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

Joe Brewer stated that Rosco Huston wants to renew his leases. There is red grass in there which he uses for his sheep, and he is paying \$1.00 per acre. Andrew Estes suggested raising the rent to \$2.00 as that is what he is paying. The term of the lease has been for one year at a time. J. W. Thompson made a motion to lease it to him for another year at \$1.50 an acre. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against.

(23)

LAND RELEASE - Andrew Estes said that Gilbert Crazy Bull gave him a land description out of the consolidated area, 160 acres in the Rencounter estate, which is in the southwest corner of the reservation back of Dallas's. If the council has no interest in buying this land, he needs approval so that it can be advertised for sale. Clarence Thompson made a motion to grant permission to release it for sale. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(24)

REQUEST FOR LOAN OR LAND SALE - A letter was read from William Fire Cloud in which he asks to borrow \$700 on his land to use to fix his house, and if he could not repay this loan, he would be willing to sell this land to the tribe. Joe Brewer stated that this would be a mortgage, and this would take Washington approval. Kay Gourneau left the room to talk to Mr. Fire Cloud to see if he would be interested in selling it outright, and he said he would. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an appraisal on this. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against. Joe Brewer stated that this might be leased for five years yet, but he would check.

(25)

EDUCATION GRANTS - An educational grant application was read for Joyce Estes who is taking a correspondence course in bookkeeping and accounting, which application was approved by Mr. Mackey. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve this grant. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against. Another letter was read from Lawrence Thompson requesting an educational grant to attend the Jim Shoulders riding school. The council discussed whether or not this would be considered educational, and J. W. Thompson made a motion to refer this to Mr. Mackey. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(26)

NEPOTISM REGULATION - The council discussed what to do about the question which Washington has raised concerning nepotism in the hiring of our C.A.P. Director, Abe Langdeau. The nepotism regulation prohibits hiring of relatives and since Charles is on the inter-tribal council which hires the C.A.P. Director, this is in violation. An inter-tribal council meeting was suggested for Friday to try to resolve this problem.

(27)

REQUEST FOR DONATION - A letter was read from the Sioux San Patient Council requesting a donation to the patient fund for entertainment purposes and for purchase of other articles not furnished by the hospital. Grace Estes made a motion to grant them \$25.00. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against. Grace Estes mentioned also that she had heard that half of the space in the Sioux San is now being used as a diagnostic center.

(28)

TRAINING RECEIVED BY COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVES - A report from Orville Langdeau on his inspection tour of the health training center in Tucson was read. The health representatives attended a very intensive four-week training session at this Desert Willow Training Center in Tucson, Arizona.

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UTILITY COMMISSION REPORT - Orville Langdeau said he would like to report on the utilities and said he didn't know if this warrants immediate attention, but we should be thinking of the water system and as the town is growing, decide if there is anything we should do to keep up with this and enlarging our water system. A report from Rev. Holland, Chairman of the Utility Commission, was also read in which he gave figures on the capacity of our system and the present usage, and his recommendation that larger pumps be installed in the plant and another pump in the pumping station at the river. The council discussed this and J. W. Thompson suggested we check all the houses for leakage as Mr. Marken had metered the water flowing into the lagoon at one time and thought this was entirely too much. He said further he didn't know how we could get this communication to the people that it is important that they watch this use of water, and if they don't, they should pay an extra rate. They should at least report any leaks so they could be fixed. The other council members agreed with this and agreed that a check should be made of each house to check for leaks to determine actual usage before any plans are made to modify the plant.

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FAIR COMMITTEE REPORT - J. W. Thompson said the Fair Committee had a short meeting and decided not to have a high school rodeo as the stock took a beating, and we will probably have a wet spring, and we are always in a rush to buy stock and calves and if we wait till later in the spring, we might not lose so many. The the committee thought they should have a rodeo the 5th of July, and a pow-wow and white dance; and the annual rodeo, fair and pow-wow in August. He said that Lawrence had suggested buying the same amount of steers and calves as last year and keeping a few steers back just for steer wrestling. Grace Estes said that then in the fall they should be sold.

(31)

CLERK OF COURTS SALARY - Kay Gourneau said that at the Law and Order committee meeting yesterday, the judges said they thought the Clerk's wages should be raised to what they were before, one grade higher, to a GS-3. J. W. Thompson made a motion to do that, put the Clerk of Courts back up to a GS-3. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. Grace Estes mentioned also that the tribal employees also get the automatic increase each twelve months as in civil service. A question was asked about raising the councilmen's salary.

(32)

CHAIRMAN'S SALARY - Orville Langdeau made a motion that the chairman's salary be raised from \$400 to \$500 per month, as there is a lot of responsibility here. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau. Clarence Thompson said the chairman's job is getting to be a full time job and this justifies this. J. W. Thompson suggested making it a full time job, because this is about a GS-9 salary. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried with five for and none against. The council briefly discussed and asked questions on the monthly financial statement.

(33)

UNITED SIOUX MEETING - Grace Estes made a report on the United Sioux meeting. She said the Governor invited all the Chairmen up on February 14th, and the Chairman invited her, and the main topic of discussion was Industrial Development. She said they had discussed the state working together with the council's for industrial development. She stated further that the Governor selected three people to serve on the State Indian Commission and there were some repercussions from the tribes as to the selections. Each reservation also named a young person to serve on this commission and the chairman named Phyllis Hudson from Lower Brule. This isn't saying she will be selected, but each one selected was to write in and give their qualifications and the Governor would make his selections.

The council had an informal discussion on other topics discussed at the United Sioux meeting and things of interest and problems of the various reservations.

(34)

ADJOURNMENT - Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on March 5th, 1969.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
MARCH 10, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building at Lower Brule, South Dakota, on March 10, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at about 1:30 p.m., with roll call as follows:

Present
Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Kay Gourneau, Secretary Treasurer
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes

Absent
Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

(1)

OMNI DESIGN - The chairman stated that the purpose of this meeting is pertaining to money. Omni Design doesn't have the money to pay their employees, so this special meeting is for this purpose. Kay Gourneau stated that Mr. Whiteley wanted \$10,000 to cover the salaries for a period of three weeks to one month. The council discussed this and called Mr. Whiteley to come over to the meeting.

(2)

MISCELLANEOUS - Grace Estes said while we are waiting, here is a letter from Vera Brave Patrick, residing at Shiprock, New Mexico, giving some information about her brother's passing to eternal life, a tribal member.

(3)

NEPOTISM - The chairman reported that Mr. Isburg had talked to Mr. LeBeau in Washington and had asked for a reply to Mr. Isburg's letter asking if Charles Langdeau could be the seventh member on the inter-tribal council, as each council is entitled to only six votes and we have seven members, and if this would be permissible to avoid the nepotism between Charles and Abe Langdeau. Mr. LeBeau would not give a reply but said that he would write a letter telling of his decision.

(4)

BUSINESS LOAN REQUEST - A letter from Martha Grassrope Scott from Culbertson, Mont. was read in which she asks if the Own Business loans are available to non-residents. She also wants to sell her land interests, on the Fort Peck Reservation. Grace Estes suggested we reply to her letter and explain the Own Business Loan Program which is available through the Small Business Administration.

(5)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATION - The chairman stated we have Lawrence Thompson's educational grant application, which has been approved by Mr. Mackey, to attend the Jim Shoulders Riding School. Clarence Thompson said that he has no objection since Mr. Mackey signed and approved it as an educational grant, but he would like to inform the council that his cattle are not being taken care of properly and some are on the section line. Kay Gourneau said if we approve this, there will be ten more who want to go to the same thing.

(6)

OMNI DESIGN - Mr. Whiteley arrived and the chairman told him that the council was discussing this loan and asked how it would be paid back. Mr. Whiteley said one of two ways; either out of the stock subscription, or let's say if that didn't go, then out of the contracts we have on Lower Brule.

Clarence Thompson stated he had taken exception to this, because we haven't any signed contracts yet, and we do not have any information on the investigation the government is to make. Mr. Whiteley stated that Mr. Nieff, the S.B.A. investigator should be out in this area tomorrow. He was in Minneapolis this week.

Mr. Whiteley: I feel the escrow money will be here in one week or ten days. You have contracts from the labor department on O.J.T. and another that came in Monday for some twenty thousand dollars, and two more contracts, \$12,000 or \$14,000 and another one with the Air Force. Then we have the one we have been notified on and they have asked us to extend the acceptance date to April. It is a one and one-half year contract. The electrical plant here, with a little effort, could be self-sustaining within three to four months. What we are waiting for now is materials so we could get the production flowing. This plant could be self-sustaining even without Omni. I am still optimistic enough to think they will sell the stock.

J. W. Thompson: If you pay back this money the tribe is thinking about loaning you, will you pay it back in installments on the contract, or a lump sum, or will you make a contract with the tribe to pay it back with interest plus signing the note?

Mr. Whiteley: It would depend. It could go either way. If it is paid back from the stock issue, it would be paid back immediately. If not, it would take a little longer.

J. W. Thompson explained to him how our Act Funds and General Funds work, and that we could not use the Act Funds appropriated for Industrial Development without Bureau approval.

Whiteley: There are some people interested in this operation and in putting money in this company in S. Dak. so the stock can be sold in Lower Brule Electronics, so this is another way this could go. My feeling is that I would not like to have to do this because in this agreement there has to be an option

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where the tribe could purchase 51% of the corporation to protect the Tribe so that someone getting control wouldn't move it out of here. We must get the attorneys to put this in so the tribes would have the option to pick up 51% so that it couldn't be moved. Like this Raytheon, this is a big thing. I am with you on this regardless of Omni. Right now Omni has no stock or no control in Lower Brule other than they have put dollars in. Omni can take stock out of Lower Brule for the dollars they put in. Or we could give back dollars for what they put in. It has got to work where the industry will stay.

J. W. Thompson: It seems like all we are talking about today is loaning enough money to tide you over for two or three weeks. What we are concerned about is what kind of security we will have and in what manner will we be repaid?

Whiteley: We can take the contracts which we have and assignments can be made from these contracts through the banks or anyone else.

Kay Gourneau: We could agree to do it and write up the agreement with our attorneys.

Whiteley: You could take a standard bank promissory note, the standard form the bank uses for 30, 60, or 90 days with the interest stated.

Kay Gourneau: I would like to make a motion that we enter into an agreement with Mr. Whiteley to lend him this money. I have a lot of confidence in Mr. Whiteley and feel we have people working down here benefiting from this company and I would hate to see this work stopped because he has had a lot of rough luck.

Orville: and to help him with this money from the general fund. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdoau. Grace Estes returned to the room from taking a phone call and asked if there was an agreement as to how it would be paid back? Kay said she thought we could contact the attorneys on that. Grace: That would be the full amount of \$10,000? with a resolution? Agreement to this was indicated. A vote was taken and the motion carried with four for and one opposed. Kay Gourneau, Orville Langdoau, J. W. Thompson and Grace Estes voting for; Clarence Thompson opposed.

(7)

MISC. - Grace Estes said that one of our enrolled members passed away last week, Albert Lat... and we helped out with that \$25.00. This is a thank-you card thanking us for it.

(8)

ADJOURNMENT - Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(9)

HOSPITALIZATION - Dr. Powell came and said he wanted to inform the council about a battle they are having with two hospitals. We have had some admittances purely for padding the accounts and not because the patient needed admission. In these cases Public Health is refusing payment, and if they should bill the patient he should also refuse to pay it.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on March 10, 1969.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
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 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 2, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on April 2, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

(1)

OMNI LOAN - J. W. Thompson made a motion to amend the resolution granting Omni Design a loan changing the amount from \$10,000 to \$5,000. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(2)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Grace Estes made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 5th, and Special Meeting of March 10th. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

CHALCOMAR SETTLEMENT - A copy of a letter from Attorney Lempres to Attorney Bubak dated March 21st was read. Grace Estes made a motion to make them a counter offer of settlement for \$20,000, and they can have the equipment. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson, and carried with six for and none against. The council also suggested giving them ten days in which to reply to this offer.

(4)

LAW AND ORDER CONTRACT - Mr. Edzards reported that they were working up a contract for the judges for the chairman's signature, but they were unable to get any additional help for Law and Order. He said they are looking for a policeman at Fort Thompson, and they start at a GS-4 salary, if we know of anyone interested.

(5)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT PROGRAM - Mr. Edzards suggested that the educational grant program be reviewed to assure that there will be sufficient funds for anyone who wants to go on to college or training. J. W. Thompson suggested further that when Mr. Mackey reviews the applications for educational grants, that he inform the council if this training is available through other sources. Kay Gourneau said in Utah they had a course in where to go and how to get scholarships for Indian children.

(6)
WATER PLANT - The water plant was brought up and the question if it could handle the increased population as the town is growing. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request the Bureau, with other technical people, to make a report to the council on the water plant. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)
COUNCIL MEETINGS - Grace Estes explained to Mr. Edzards that the council had agreed to go back to the old way of conducting meetings, and people who come on business would be called in one at a time. Mr. Edzards agreed with this and said he would recommend it.

(8)
NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - The chairman asked that Mr. Swenson, Industrial Development Officer, and Keith Titus, Architect, be called in. Mr. Titus had redesigned the building to provide for a basketball court and he explained the new design in detail and gave estimated figures on the cost increase. Mr. Swenson also recommended that sidewalks and blacktop parking areas be included. The Tribe's share of the development cost is 25 percent, and Joyce Estes was called in to determine whether sufficient funds would be available in the Community Development fund.

(The meeting adjourned at 12:15 for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

The Chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:20. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to pay for the Tribe's share through the use of Community Development Funds and to cover the balance of the increased costs from the general fund, and to give Mr. Titus approval to go ahead on this revised plan. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting additional funds from H.U.D. to cover 75 percent grant on the additional cost. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(9)
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT - The Chairman reported that the Industrial Development Conference would be held in Chicago next week. The Universal Manufacturing proposal was discussed and the chairman stated they would plan to stop in Michigan on the return from Chicago and tour this plant.

(10)
REQUEST FOR LEASE - George Christenson came in and requested a lease on the submarginal land south of his place, a quarter section. J. W. Thompson made a motion to lease it to him. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent. The rate would be the same as that charged Houston.

(11)
LAND SALES - Joe Brewer stated that at the last council meeting the council had passed a resolution to buy the John Fire Cloud Estate, including all mineral rights; however, George Træck wants to reserve 50 percent of the mineral rights for twenty years. Clarence Thompson made a motion to accept that and amend the resolution accordingly. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Kay Gourneau absent.

LAND SALES - Charles Langdeau made a motion to buy the Hannah Amy Two Hawk Small exchange assignment, 160 acres in Sec. 19-108-76. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

Joe Brewer stated Walter Sazue wants to sell his land, the original Julia Fire Cloud Allotment, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 15-107-75. J. W. Thompson made a motion to buy it. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

Charles Langdeau made a motion to buy the Victoria Small Jumper Estate, which is in Jerauld Jandreau's unit, which Orbie Small and his dad want to sell. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

Joe Brewer reported that we had an answer back from Mrs. Pennington to our offer of five percent over the appraised figure for her land. She is asking \$7500 and we have offered \$7,040. Orville Langdeau made a motion to reject her price, but that our offer would still stand. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(12)

REQUEST FOR HOMESITE - Orville Langdeau stated he would like to make a request on behalf of Marilyn and Kenny Harmon for a home site. It is right north and west of the pow-wow grounds, a narrow strip close to the highway, 5 acres. Joe Brewer gave the legal description as the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 10, Twp. 107, Range 73, 5 acres. Orville Langdeau made a motion to approve the homesite for them. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(13)

METCALF LAND - Grace Estes asked if Joe Brewer had heard anything on the Metcalf land. Joe said there is a request for an appraisal on it, but he didn't think the appraiser could get out there.

(14)

TURN-KEY HOUSES - Lawrence Thompson said he had a project proposal here for the water and sewer for the turn-key houses and this needs to be signed by the chairman. He said also that he would like to have someone else take his place on the Lower Brule Rodeo and Fair Board.

(15)

TRIBAL LOANS - George McKay, Credit Officer, was called in and Grace Estes inquired as to the status of the various loans. The small business and farm and ranch loans were reviewed. Mr. McKay said that when the farm and ranch loans were set up, the last payments were increased, and he recommended that each individual's operation be reviewed and the payments spread out over another five years.

(16)

REQUEST FOR LAND SALE - The chairman stated there was a letter from Nellie Thomas asking to sell her interest in the Lucy Standing Cloud Estate. Clarence Thompson made a motion to have this appraised. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Kay Gourneau absent for vote.

(17)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Grace Estes made a motion to approve for payment the general counsel invoice in the amount of \$104.04 for the month. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Charles Langdeau absent for vote.

(18)

REQUEST FOR LEASE - Jerauld Jandreau requested a lease on the following three pieces of land: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 8-107-73, 76 acres of farm ground; W $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 17-107-73, 80 acres hay; All land south of the road in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 17-107-73, 100 acres hay. Orville Langdeau made a motion to lease both the hay and farm ground to Jerauld for three years. Clarence Thompson asked about the rate, and J. W. Thompson said we had 80¢ and \$1.50 set up, which is different from a lease for grazing. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(19)

BUDGET REVISION - Kay Gourneau said that we have a proposed budget revision which does not involve requesting any more money, but it is just a matter of transferring funds from one account to another, this is for the period through June. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve it. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(20)

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE - A letter was read from the Fort Randall Interagency Council stating that the next meeting would be held on April 17th at Pickstown. Another letter was read concerning an O.E.O. meeting in Vermillion, which Clarence Skye, the new CAP Director, had left to attend. Another letter was read from the Public Health Service telling that Dr. Powell would be leaving and the new Service Unit Director would be Dr. Edward Spencer. A letter from Frank Ducheneaux was read stating the next United Sioux Meeting would be held in Pierre on April 18th. The minutes of an All American Indian Activities Association meeting were read in which election of officers resulted in J. W. Thompson as Vice-President and Lawrence Thompson, Rodeo Activities Director.

(21)

DOG LICENSES - A letter from Rev. Holland was read in which he recommended that the licensing fee for female dogs be reduced from \$5.00 to \$2.50, the same as the males, to help out with the rabies control program. J. W. Thompson made a motion to lower that to \$2.50. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for, none against, Grace Estes not voting, and Kay Gourneau absent for vote.

(22)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - George Tlustos said that the only thing holding up our housing is a final commitment from Public Health agreeing to furnish the water and sewer. Andrew Estes asked Mr. Tlustos to come back tomorrow and meet with Orville Langdeau and Kay Gourneau to decide on the site for the town houses.

(23)

OMNI DESIGN - The chairman reported that Mr. Lloyd Whiteley was supposed to be here at 1:00 tomorrow and anyone interested should be here to discuss things with him.

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UNIVERSAL MANUFACTURING - The Universal Manufacturing proposal was discussed, and the Omni situation was also discussed.

(25)

INDIAN SCHOLARSHIPS - A Memorandum from the Economic Development Administration was read saying that two full scholarships were available to Indians interested in Physical Education. These are scholarships from one of the Nation's top colleges.

(26)

PERIMETER ROAD SYSTEM - A copy of a letter from Keith Wilcox to Senator Mundt was read requesting federal funds for the completion of the perimeter road system.

(27)

ADJOURNMENT - Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on April 2nd, 1969,

Joan Mousseau

Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 3, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on April 3, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at about 2:45 p.m., with roll call as follows:

Present
Andrew Estes
Kay Gourneau
J. W. Thompson
Orville Langdeau
Grace Estes

Absent
Charles Langdeau
Clarence Thompson

Others Present
Lloyd Whiteley
Floyd Taylor
Jim Swenson

The chairman turned the meeting over to Lloyd Whiteley.

Whiteley: As I told you, I spent the last two weeks trying to find out what has happened and what has gone wrong. Believe me, it isn't good. It is unbelievable what has happened. I hate to say it, but the problem is complete lack of management back there. There is a phone call I was waiting on. I personally, and I don't know how they feel about it, I see no hope for it.

Andrew Estes: Then it all went down the drain.

Whiteley: Yes, that is my opinion. It went down the drain and they don't have any choice on it. We had a meeting last night with a number of people to see what they would come up with. They came up with nothing. I had Floyd and Roy come back to see and hear what went on. Because it is impossible to describe the conditions we found. I really honestly don't know what to say. This is discouraging to me because they are the people who manage this thing. I stuck all my money in it and I have lost it all. I see no way to recoup it. I speak personally and I will not speak for the company. This is my own opinion.

We found out last night there has been a lot of opposition which I didn't know about about coming out to South Dakota. I don't know why. To me it is immaterial. I still am as enthused about the potential on the reservations. We have between the two, Crow Creek and here, \$168,000 worth of contracts in the house. The supplies and instruments they are building, none of the marketing or advertising was done as it should have been done.

My personal recommendation is that you not accept an offer from Omni Design. I have in my brief case a contract we had with the labor department, O.J.L., of which there is \$4,028 bill due us, due Lower Brule. Roy brought back the residue off the contract, and there is approximately \$2,000 worth of material in this. I have left instructions to send that to the bank, to Scheli.

That \$4,000 on the contract due us won't be due till about the 15th. At best, with the two weeks' payroll, plus outstanding bills, plus the checks out, that will leave about three day's operating funds.

Orville Langdeau: That is both sides?

Whiteley: Yes, that is both sides. They had a purchase order on the 28th of January. On the 28th of March I found the purchase order and had to acknowledge them. They didn't know what material had been ordered. I spent three days going over this with them. I went over all the materials with them. Monday they cancelled the purchase order, and I don't blame them. Anyone who would treat a customer like that didn't deserve the business. They would pay for the work done and material. They were very nice here and I have no ill feelings toward them.

On the other side I left here on Thursday to pick up material for the snowmobiles and the material was supposed to be there. I found out they can't have it unless they have \$1600. Again, my personal recommendation is that you don't go with Omni Design. My recommendation is that the Tribes do it themselves. One thing we know is the people are capable. There are some areas where help is needed and help is available. I wouldn't go with any company. I am fully convinced that you have the capabilities right here with some help. The things Omni has in here I am sure, and again I can't speak for the company, the materials in there like the cable testers can be had at a reasonable sum. There is money due you on lease and the contracts are there. If Omnic does go down, I don't know what the status will be, but it is my opinion that these contracts could and would remain, because they were bid for Lower Brule through Omni Design. However, getting government contracts is not a big problem. This is pretty easy to do. It takes people with experience to do it, but the work is there. I just got a letter from Senator Mundt Friday on this subject.

The stock issue is apparently tied up and they don't know when it is going to be out. I tried to get direct answers but it is hard to get direct answers. You have to do it yourself. Giving you my personal recommendation and not a company recommendation, as I am just a member, this is what I recommended. I was coming out and would recommend one of two things. They had better call and tell me they had resolved the problem of money, or I would make my personal recommendation of what should be done.

(Mr. Whiteley was called to the telephone)

Whiteley: That is it in real brief form. If you have any specific questions, I would be glad to answer them to the best of my ability.

J. W. Thompson: Will you be closing the plant?

Whiteley: My recommendation is yes. They claim to have people with backing and money to go ahead with it.

J. W. Thompson: Who is they?

Whiteley: The officers of the company. They want a projection in cash flow of what is going on. I can understand why they want this. This is reasonable.

It looks promising, but you can't pay people on promises. My recommendation would be to close it down for a week to see if the company does come up with the money they hope they can, or in the other case, the one Floyd and I are on, they are interested. They are interested to the extent they want to buy Raytheon. These people are talking and until they put their money up and go, you just don't know. My feelings is that within a week we should have an answer. On the company side, as far as I am concerned, I must stay with Omni Design because I am one of the Directors, but as soon as this is through, I am resigning as I have no faith in it. The one they are talking with this morning, we have talked to before. This Chicago thing could bring a meeting with them Monday or Tuesday, which could be good because we could have the products down there to show the people themselves.

I personally think the Tribe has the people and the capability. These areas are not that difficult. It is easy to train people. The contracts with the government are there for the asking, with the labor contracts which pays the people. We billed on that and the cost averaged out to about \$280 per week, because the government gave us \$4,400 for sixty days. So anybody who can't do business and cannot make money on that, in my opinion, shouldn't be in business.

J. W. Thompson asked if he had incorporated Lower Brule Electronics.

Mr. Whiteley: Yes.

J. W. Thompson: What I can't understand is why Omni checks were paying the payroll.

Whiteley: Omni did put in \$50,000 and Lower Brule Electronics would owe Omni \$50,000, and Omni would say to Lower Brule, We will take stock in Lower Brule for the dollars you owe.

J. W. Thompson: Did Omni agree to that?

Whiteley: Yes. That way there was no personal liability. One of the reasons this was set up was that eventually, if the tribe learned more about the business and wanted to participate, they could come in and take control of the company through stock participation. The tribe wouldn't want to get in a position so that if it is a good business it could be moved.

J. W. Thompson: Who are the officers of South Dakota

Whiteley: Myself, Floyd and Mr. Swenson. We started to incorporate Big Bend but the papers weren't sent in. Say the Omni stock issue went, Omni would come back and say Lower Brule Electronics have 100,000 shares of stock, and we will take stock for the dollars we put in and the remaining stock was to be left in there. This part was never in writing. They were to leave it for 24 months and by that time, it would be going well enough that the Tribe could see it and want to participate and get control.

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Whiteley: You have two products down here, the cable tester and power supply. This is an item that could sell. This show in Chicago could be a very good thing.

J. W. Thompson asked who owned parts of the snowmobile.

Whiteley: Omni owns it. Scheli holds a note on it for \$50,000. On the last fifty there are fifty-four transmissions. The other material is in Minneapolis now. Going over this, to complete the fifty material-wise, there is about \$2,000 not counting the transmissions.

J. W. Thompson asked what they are making down here.

Whiteley: They are training and should be on the cable testers. I don't know how much material is in and what isn't in on contracts. I have to find out what material has been ordered and what hasn't been ordered.

J. W. Thompson: If Omni is left out of the picture, can Lower Brule Electronics carry on and fulfill these contracts?

Whiteley: I don't know. But they were bid for Lower Brule Electronics through Omni Design and my feeling is we can. But I truthfully don't know at this time.

J. W. Thompson: Do you have to have a lot of operating capital to complete these contracts? and wages, can you meet that?

Whiteley: That is the problem. Right now we can't. If they do come up with the money, the people we are talking to, they are as interested as I am in seeing that the Tribe has control and that is one of the requirements if they put the dollars in. If Omni is successful in getting the dollars, this would be done.

Floyd Taylor: All the government contracts presently in were bid on Lower Brule through Omni. Say Omni goes down, the fact they were bid for Lower Brule, my opinion is they can still have them; however, I don't know for sure. This is easy enough to verify and find out. If they did remove the contracts, there is one contract I would recommend Lower Brule not take and that is the probe contract. They haven't ordered the materials yet.

Whiteley: I wouldn't be concerned if they took all the contracts because they are not that difficult to get. We can get them.

Andrew Estes asked about the equipment in the plant.

Whiteley: That doesn't belong to Omni. They lease that from Day and Night Engineering. I had bought an engineering company about a year ago. When we went to buy test equipment, Omni didn't have the money so Lindsey and I bought it. I didn't put it in Omni. So that will remain. I personally

think this would make a tremendous tribal venture. You don't have to rely on any outsider.

J. W. Thompson: I don't think we are going to take any ventures. I think we are primarily interested in whether you can pay the Tribe back for rent and notes, and pay these employees up to date.

Whiteley: As I said there is \$6,000. The \$4,000 I don't think we will get till the 15th. The invoice for about \$2,000 is in.

J. W. Thompson: Is there any money for the payroll?

Whiteley: No.

Floyd Taylor: This would be the second week they are working without pay.

Whiteley: The only way I could see that Omni could come out of it would be if they could raise enough capital to get the material and get those contracts underway.

J. W. Thompson: Personally, I have about \$797 worth of checks I would like to get cleared up.

Whiteley: There is only three people left working. Those three haven't drawn any pay in ten weeks. They are still sticking it out hopefully. Floyd and I are talking to one group. They are interested. They have been talking, but until they put up the money, I don't know. My personal opinion is that they want it to get down so far that they can buy it up for nothing. I pointed out that without this out here, they wouldn't have anything because Omni doesn't have anything.

Orville Langdeau: I think things all started turning when this Raytheon thing came up.

Whiteley: I think it did. I was called in the office and they wanted to take the Raytheon package. The company had a \$50,000 line of credit and they had about \$125,000 stock issue at the bank. They had \$150,000 line of credit. I sent them down to the bank with Egan to find out when he would put in the stock list he had. They went to the bank, but Egan said he went home after the list, but he never came back. The next day the credit was cut off at the bank. There have been several people within the company trying to get the Raytheon package, but Raytheon said they would not sell it unless Omni got it and I was part of it. I am certain this Raytheon had a lot to do with it. The attorney feels the same way. This group will still go if we have the commitment.

Swenson: I don't think there is any reason to withhold names.

Whiteley: Greenwald. I only met him twice. I like his opinions and I like his ideas. My recommendation is that as far as Omni is concerned, there are no dollars and I don't want to see people working if they are not getting paid.

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J. W. Thompson: I didn't appreciate it when you borrowed \$5,000. I thought it would last two or three weeks but it didn't even last one week. The last check drawn on it bounced. The Tribe was helping out mainly to see that these people had pay checks, but they didn't all get paid. I cashed the checks and I am out.

Whiteley: I put \$3680 ? in there. and I lost everything. All I have left is this little company, Day and Night.

MINUTES
HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING
APRIL 16, 1969

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Housing Authority was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office at 1:15 p.m., with members present as follows:

Present

Vera Gandt
Lyle Peterson
Leslie Langdeau
Margaret and Evert Fletcher

Absent

Richard Thompson
Gaylord Schoal

Others Present

John Barber, H.A., Chicago
Mr. Rogness, P.H.S.
George Ilustos, B.I.A.
Lawrence Thompson
Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau
Clarence Thompson
Don Isburg
Mike Jandreau

Mr. John Barber introduced himself and said he represented the Housing Assistance Office. He said he had reviewed the submission made to his office March 19th and went over it again this morning. He thinks it is in very good order and we have done a good job putting it together. As far as he is concerned, the ones selected for housing are acceptable. In the townsite, some of the incomes are low and the people should be counselled on the type of payments they will be making, and they should be questioned closely before signing them up, but he will leave that up to our judgment as housing in the townsite would not be too much of a problem in the event of default. He said what has to be done would depend on when Public Health could put in the water and sewer. They wouldn't want to build them if they had to wait for water and sewer through the winter, so whether the Housing Authority goes out and advertises depends on how much Public Health can complete before winter sets in, so they can tell the developer how many can be built this summer and how many would have to wait.

What is required now is putting together a package. John Barber has some forms which describe in as good detail as possible what the developer has to bid on. The first step in turn-key is to advertise for bids, what type of house, and what type of improvements, and what price they will ask for. The bidders will submit their proposals to the Housing Authority in writing on a specified date that the Housing Authority will set, and we could invite developers in and they could make their proposals and presentation. We could then consider all these and make a selection and write down the reasons for making that selection and send those in and to the Housing Assistance Office and they will try to agree with what we have decided. On the selection of developers, they asked the Housing Authority to pick the lowest price. At the same time, they realize that the bidder with the lowest price is not always acceptable. He may lack credentials, he may not be a reputable developer and may not have built houses before. We must find that out and try to spot it, or there may be something on the design of the house which would be inferior or couldn't be accepted for

this area, or there may be something on the site improvements. So we try to find the lowest price we could accept. For the immediate future, we need to be looking at what to tell these developers so that their proposals will be adequate. He said he had a form they give to the Housing Authorities for this purpose. It wasn't drawn up for tribal land and some changes need to be made. Then it has to be sent to developers who answer the ad. The developers will have to know where the sites will be and we should be able to provide legal descriptions. It may be easier in the townsite. At the very least, there would have to be stake outs. The developer should be told how big each house will be. For the townsite, there should be a plan for that. We also want to be able to tell the developer where the different sized houses will go. They are going to ask that they pave the streets, and ask them to provide some landscaping, lawns and trees, and we can also ask to put in a tot-lot for this townsite that could be fenced in. As far as locating sites for the new houses, there is not an area for a fenced tot-lot. We could find a place acceptable somewhere in the townsite and should stake that out and provide a description for that. The improvements would probably consist of a fence, a gate, and some equipment. The usual design is for a 3 foot high chain fence, some slides and teeter-totters and swings. Then of course we are asking the developer to provide main sidewalks and sidewalks to each house and to the driveway, and paved driveways, cloths drying areas, garbage can holders with fence. It really depends on how much the house will cost.

Charles Langdeau asked about streets.

John Barber: These would be a part of the project. If the houses front on a street, they will ask for only half the street. They would also provide for expansion of the office building, and are asking for 260 sq. ft. for management and 300 for maintenance, and 900 for a community room. Also, the land must be leased to the developer.

Mr. Tlustos said that the Bureau of Indian Affairs would do the surveying on the scattered sites; however, if for some reason they should be tied up and couldn't get right out, if there were provisions for survey work.

John Barber: They do not have funds for that. The Housing Authority would have to see that they are staked out and if possible, write up legal descriptions before advertising.

Don Isburg: He asked about basements for the scattered sites. If the developer could come up with a feasible idea, would they approve it.

Barber: Their policy is that they can't build basements. It would have to be at no expense to the Housing Authority.

Isburg: What if the person had a basement and just wanted to fix the footings.

Barber: It would involve the developer and a change in plans and tailoring the design to the foundation and making a new design.

Mr. Flustos asked if it would be permissible if the owner would pay the additional cost.

Barber: The contractor would have to have the plans approved and it would be a different design. It would be a problem as the policy is no basements and they can't get around it without a big delay and a lot of hassling. (We would almost have to have them approved (and then make the change). None of the additional cost could be attributable to the Housing Authority. Mr. Barber asked about the report of the Public Health Service. Is there any commitment?

Rogness: We will have to wait till July 1st and see what would happen. They tell us we don't have any money; however, we did manage to get some a few weeks ago. The next step will be to have someone come down. They must approve the clustered sites. They will come down from Aberdeen and make the survey and cost estimates and send it in to Washington. Then it is out of our hands.

Mr. Flustos asked if it would help if the local authority did some hollering and made requests to Washington.

Rogness: Not until after they get it in.

Clarence asked about rural sites.

Rogness: They will survey the other old wells in the area and they can about tell. The water would have to be acceptable for human use.

Orville asked if they would have to wait till the man came down to check the sites before he could tell where the home would sit.

Rogness: The only thing would be some question on Mike Jandreau's.

Lawrence: They would probably have to go down between 900 and 1400 feet for a well, there, because Karlan has a well just south of there and his runs 1400 feet. The only other water would be the lake water backing up there and he could get a shallow well.

Everet Fletcher mentioned the possibility of a filtered well.

Rogness: They cannot put a well in 1400 feet, or 1,000 feet for that matter, because that would cost as much for the well as for the house itself. If they drill a well for a community, they put down a test well. But they cannot do that for an individual home, because they don't get any money until after the locations are approved. They would have to use existing information.

Mike asked what if he had a test hole dug on his own.

Rogness: That would depend on how deep it would have to go.

They discussed bored holes, which are sometimes used if there is just a little water as this provides an adequate storage. Vera said unless it is sandy soil.

After some discussion, it was agreed that Mike Jandreau would have two weeks to get a hole bored, and if that didn't produce anything, they will automatically consider him a citizen of Lower Brule.

Barber: The country houses don't have any site improvements except concrete stoops - no walks, no fences.

Mr. Isburg said most of the country homes already have wells, and Public Health said the deepest ones they have drilled are 400 feet.

Mr. Barber left with the Housing Authority what has to be prepared before advertising. One is a suggested form for an advertisement that needs to be put in three or four or five newspapers with a large circulation, perhaps down out of Omaha, Sioux City, Pierre, etc. We would want a wide range of proposals. The ad wouldn't say too much, but just gives a general description. The developer will call for more information and you will send him a letter with a bunch of attachments. The Housing Authority fills in the blanks and makes any changes necessary in these forms, especially in the letter. Mr. Barber stated he would like to have a draft mailed to him so that he can go over them and get them approved. Then he will send them back with a big package of attachments. These should be typed up in double spacing and have a list. They would appear in each paper once a week for two weeks and there would be a deadline date for submitting proposals at least two weeks after the last ad, probably three weeks after the last ad. This gives the developer time to look at the sites and put together everything they need. The idea is to give each developer information so that they won't be going to the Housing Authority. Each developer should get the same information. They shouldn't get you in a corner and pull information out of you. There should be a reservation map and site plan outlining the area, office building, and tot lot. In this letter too it should state where all the bedroom sizes are going.

Mr. Barber said he would like to go over what the Housing Authority would be expected to do after the developer is agreed upon. This turn-key is designed with safeguards, a requirement for two sets of cost estimates. The Housing Authority hires two cost estimators and they make a complete cost estimate. Another safeguard will be the hiring of an inspecting architect.

The turnkey process will be made up of three design conferences in Chicago. The Housing Authority must have certain things done for each of these conferences, and the developer has his work to be done. They are all day conferences beginning at 9:00 in the morning. The project budget will make it possible to attend. One housing authority member should be present at each conference. All material needs to be brought in as they have a tight schedule. If the people don't bring in what is required, the conference is cancelled. Before the first conference there really isn't too much you have to do. You just have to be sure the developer has everything required of him and to help co-ordinate a date for the first conference. Between the first and second conferences you will have had two cost estimators lined up. Also you choose the two lowest acceptable contractors. If there is anything questionable about these contracts, clear it up before mailing them to us for approval. Once they have been approved, then we get drawings from the designer and send to the cost estimators. They then have about fifteen days to finish their work and make estimates, and then we must have them back and review them before the second conference. It would be preferable to have the cost estimators lined up before the first conference and this is possible.

Mr. Barber: Our principal work will be getting cost estimates and putting together a good development program. We must bring in this development program for the second conference, six copies. It is very simplified, to a two-page form. The stoves and refrigerators need to be budgeted, and garbage cans and cupboards, office expenses, traveling expenses, etc.

If there are any major differences between cost estimates, we should get together and decide why. We should not discuss cost estimates with our developer. The only thing would be if the estimates are lower than the bid, we may want to negotiate.

The letter of intent is between the authority, the developer, and H.A. A one percent contingency is all that is allowed.

The third conference is final with working drawings.

This whole process takes three to five months and depends on everyone doing their work properly. Section 221.1 of the Housing Manual outlines all this. Each developer will get this manual, with building and design criteria. One comment which might come up would be the developer must make a change because it is not up to standards. Another would be a recommendation if there is a cost increase, that it would have to be agreed to by the housing authority and the H.A. office before making it a part of the project.

Barber: We hope that in advertising they can find a developer to provide an economical design so that we can make those improvements to the community and provide a nice project with trees and paved streets and perhaps a tot lot for the little kids. The policy is to pick the lowest bid or have a good reason if this is not acceptable. They, the Housing Assistance Admin. will stand behind us if this is not acceptable. Mr. Barber is hoping we can get an informal agreement with Public Health so they can tell the developer so that they could plan on completing so many houses this spring and summer.

Mr. Rogness: When they ask for the money, they will ask for all or none. When they get the money, they may have two or three contracts, one for the community, one for well drilling, and one for septic tanks.

This three to five months time was discussed, but it was felt it couldn't be shortened too much as advertisements for bid must run two or three weeks, then the requirement of at least two weeks after the last ad within which the developer could present his plan. Then the cost estimates must be made. Further, it appears we cannot get the go ahead to run the ad for bid until Public Health makes a commitment on water, which might not come till July.

The possibility of getting just ten built this summer, with the rest to start next spring was mentioned, and it was thought the country homes should have priority.

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 23, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on the afternoon of April 23, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present
Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau

Absent
J. W. Thompson

Others Present
Edward Edzards, Superintendent
Gordon Collins, Road Supervisor

The chairman stated that the purpose of this meeting is for the road department and he turned the meeting over to Mr. Collins. Mr. Collins informed the council that some surveyors would be in the Fort Hale Area making road surveys for future plans. He said the main reason for this meeting was that they don't have the 1970 work program made up yet and they would like to have the council say what they would like to have done so when they make out the program, everyone would know what is going on.

The council discussed the various roads needing attention, and Mr. Edzards said he had no idea how much money they would have, and that some funds were pulled back and taken out of their account. He said they get very little Bureau funds for road maintenance and they also have funds from the Bureau of Public Roads. The funds they receive from the Bureau of Public Roads can be used only for improvement and upgrading of present roads or for new construction. Anytime anything is done with these funds, it must meet the Public Roads standards, otherwise, the work would be torn out and they would force them to redo it according to standards. Before funds can be approved for a project, a complete survey and engineering cost estimates and standards must be submitted and approved.

In regard to the program for 1970, Mr. Edzards stated that the only two roads on which the engineering is complete and the project is ready to go are the Little Bend Road and the Counselor Creek Road. He said they are now making a survey of the Fort Hale Road, but it is doubtful whether it could be completed to the extent needed for funding within the 60 days time needed.

Orville Langdeau made a motion to do the engineering on those two roads, the Two-Hawks Road at Cedar Creek, and the Fort Hale Road. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent.

In regard to the work plan for 1970, Mr. Edzards said it was doubtful whether the funds would be large enough to do both the Little Bend and Counsellor Creek roads, and that is the only approved engineering plans they have. They could split the work, and do just the dirt work on Counsellor Creek, and leave the graveling for the following year.

SPECIAL MEETING

APRIL 23, 1969

The Cedar Creek Road, the Little Bend Road, the town streets, the Reliance Road, and Fort Hale Road were all discussed but no decision was reached as to the 1970 work program.

The chairman made an announcement about the inter-tribal council meeting to be held on Thursday.

Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent.



Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING
LOWER BRULE COMMUNITY
APRIL 28, 1969

A community meeting was held at St. Mary's Hall in Lower Brule, S. Dak. on April 28th, 1969 and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 8:30 p.m., with the following people in attendance:

Council members present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau

Others present

Clarence Skye, C.A.P. Director
Burton Steg
Mike and Jackie Jandreau
Narilyn Harmon
Lois Holland
Sally Durkin
LaVina Goodlow
Myrtle Thompson
Willie and Mercy Quilt
John and Bessie Estes
Joe and Grace Blacksmith
Mitt and Baumita Ness
Sheri and Jerauld Jandreau
Mable and Ben Driving Hawk
Mae Coffee
LaVerne Reinhart
Joyce Estes
Velma Langdeau

Jim Swenson, Planning Consultant
Iyonne Garreau
Helen Peters
Margaret Wilson
Judy Whitney

The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer led by Mr. John Estes.

The chairman introduced Mr. Clarence Skye, our new C.A.P. Director, and turned the meeting over to him.

Mr. Skye explained that he was recently hired on March 21st. He said when he first took office, he was told to lay everyone off and keep only a skeleton staff on as there were not sufficient funds to operate. He said someone else told him not to do this, so they kept everyone on for a month and now the funds are exhausted and they have been forced to lay everyone off. They have asked for an authorization to borrow the funds to operate on till refunding; however, they were told that this would be at the tribes' risk and there would be no guarantee that the funds could be repaid unless they could get a commitment from Mr. Duane LeBeau on this. Mr. LeBeau said he could not make this commitment.

COMMUNITY MEETING

APRIL 28, 1969

Mr. Skye said that Mr. LeBeau is a Program Analyst and had told him of the various things wrong with our programs, with the C.A.P. forms that needed correction, and of the \$26,000 and \$6,000 which were missing. Mr. Skye said after going over everything, they had found these missing funds which were not really missing but were posted in the wrong column in Vermillion and this had given our program a black-eye in Washington. An audit is now being made and is supposed to be ready this week, he hoped by Thursday.

Mr. Skye said they want to know how we are going to prevent, control and do away with poverty on the reservation. All these questions need answers. How are you going to get rid of poverty on the reservations? He said they are asking for community involvement and they wanted the recommendations of the people in regard to the various programs. Also, they are saying that Fort Thompson and Lower Brule can't get along. There has to be employment on both reservations and both reservations must be able to get along and work together. Maybe not perfectly, but better than they are at the present time.

The meeting was opened for questions and some questions were asked by the various members of the community and council.

Mr. Burton Step, a Fort Thompson tribal member, gave an informal talk. He told how their grandfathers had gotten together and passed around the peace pipe and ate together. Now we have somehow gotten away from the old ways and all want to be a little better than our neighbor. He said he had heard remarks that Lower Brule and Crow Creek can't get along and he wondered why and said he didn't think we should feel that way. He said he hoped that our community would come to their meeting over there.

Coffee and lunch were served after the meeting.


Joan Peterson, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
LOWER BRULE AND CROW CREEK SIOUX TRIBES
MAY 1, 1969

The Inter-Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Office Building in Fort Thompson, S. Dak. on May 1, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, William Isburg, at 10:30 a.m., with the following people in attendance:

Mr. Clarence Skye, C.A.P. Director
Mr. Duane LeBeau, Program Analyst, Washington

Lower Brule Council

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Kay Gourneau
Grace Estes
Orville Langdeau
J. W. Thompson (arrv. 1:00)
Joan Mousseau, rep. of poor

Crow Creek Council

Grover St. John, Chairman
William Isburg
Paul Harrison, Jr.

Soloman St. John
Robert Philbrick
Larry Abernathy, rep. of poor

Others present

Jim Swenson, Planning Consultant
Niles Brings
Fred Patti
Elnita Rank
Dorothy Cadwell
Lorraine Gourneau
Bernice Crow, Inter-tribal sec.
Elaine Claymore
Nancy Marshall
N.Y.C. man from Sioux Falls
Mr. Kapkie, Univ. of Vermillion I.C.A.P. (arrv. 11:00)
Mr. Vocu, Pine Ridge
Miss Simmons, Wagner
Ronald Kirkie

Joe Wounded Knee
Hurton Sten
& others

Wm. Isburg: This will be a special meeting with Mr. LeBeau from Washington. As most of you know, we have had O.E.O. for about three years and two weeks ago we got low on funds and on April 18th we had to lay off half of the O.E.O. personnel and last week-end we had to lay off the balance of the personnel except for the director, bookkeeper and a secretary because we are out of funds. The tribes decided to keep this personnel on till we could either come up with all our papers necessary to get funds or get a no answer or whatever happens. We would like to keep O.E.O. alive and, with limited funds, this is the only way we could keep going in hopes that we could get refunded and start with another program year. I would like to ask Mr. LeBeau what, I know there are a lot of things, what are the most pressing things so that we could get funds and get these people busy doing something?

Mr. LeBeau: (after a pause) How is your audit coming?

Mr. Skye: It was supposed to be here today but the auditor was sick. He said he would have a penciled audit today in the mail, but this morning's mail isn't here yet. Then he will send the final audit to Washington, and Mr. Quitca has asked for a copy.

LeBeau: That would be the first thing you would have to get done. I cannot fund your program until I have an audit in my hands. That is one thing. The second thing is we don't have adequate answers to the previous audits. We don't have these. We need that. We don't have your financial reports for the first two years of operation and those need to be completed and sent in. Specifically, your CAP 15's and forms 28.

(The chairman was called from the room for a telephone call)

If you have those ready, I need to look at those. If you have your answers ready to the audit inquiries and if you have located the \$26,000, I need to see all these to correct all the discrepancies.

Skye: The \$26,000, as far as we know, was this check of this amount gotten after the program year ended, March 24th. This was carried over into Program Year B. and reprogrammed. The money for program year B., with the \$26,000, was a surplus amount. The year ended and they had the savings from Program Year B carried over into Program Year C, and two positions were created from this savings. This is what we have to go by.

Elnita Rank: On the first year, Program Year A, I handled this. Then they got their finance officer. I talked to Mr. Bechtold and he told me to carry this and deduct it on Program Year B. When they had their new finance officer come in, I explained how to make this letter of credit and deposit. What you want to know is how it was spent?

LeBeau: Yes, and if it was ever transferred.

Paul Harrison: Transferred from Year A to B.

LeBeau: Yes, was it done?

Skye: We don't know.

LeBeau: I doubt if we could do it now because this goes too far back. You might have to deposit this to the Treasury. According to our records, it would indicate it was still in the bank and never transferred to Program Year B. It is too far back and too late to make the transfer. You must either show me how it was transferred or it would have to be paid back. This is too far back. We can only go back to Program Year B, one year.

Wm Isburg: If at the end of Program Year B we have received so much money from O.E.O. and had a surplus, I think that \$26,000 would show up.

Skye: We have it found, but he is talking about where is the transfer from Year A to B.

Elnita Rank: Is there a form to be filled out?

Skye: Yes, and we haven't found that yet.

LeBeau: At the end of Program Year A, an estimate should have been submitted on CAP Form 28. At the end of the year, we take your estimate and subtract it from the total and give you the difference. My question is that I don't think there was a report filed estimating how much you would have left over and, at the same time, I understand there were mistakes in it. If there were mistakes, they would have to be corrected.

Paul Harrison: When we originally got our program approved, we hired a CAP Director.

Isburg: He worked that summer and fall. Then we got Mr. Emery, then Mr. Taylor, Mr. Langdeau and Mr. Skye.

Kay Gourneau: Didn't Washington after each year evaluate each program? Why didn't they detect this then? Why bring it up now? It seems they should have called this to our attention.

LeBeau: It was. It was called to the attention. Back in 1967 they wrote you a letter, and they also wrote in March, 1968. This letter to me is dated March, 1968.

Isburg: What has happened is we have three years' problems to correct here all at one time.

Grace Estes: At a very bad time too. Our plant is shut down, our home repair hasn't been started. These people are screaming, O.E.O. is shut down. They have to have money; they have to live.

Paul Harrison: This transfer from Program Year A to B, why wasn't it detected then, soon after Program Year B?

LeBeau: It was detected. You have had your third audit and it has been detected in each of the audits. Apparently noone reads the audit. It was detected in the one last year, and also in the one before that. No one has answered and written to correct the deficiency. It is right in here. You have an audit this year. It will be picked up this year.

(Dorothy Cadwell and Mr. LeBeau reviewed the past audits.)

LeBeau: Initially, in the very beginning, you had a program development grant. That was in the very beginning you were given money to hire people to help develop a program.

Elnita Rank: That would be a head-start program?

Isburg: The first program we had was a summer head-start.

LeBeau: You were given a grant of \$26,000 for something.
(There was a pause while Elnita and Lebeau reviewed some forms)

Elnita Rank: \$196,494 was the first grant and \$26,000 was left, which I gave to Loren when I closed my books. Year A.

LeBeau: This carry over to year B is where there is a problem. You estimated you would have \$1,320 left at the end of the year, and this was reprogrammed, and you had \$26,000 left. This \$26,000 should have been made up on a form and Washington would have reprogrammed it. . . . Ninety days after the program ended, you were supposed to have sent in a form saying you had \$26,000 left. You sent this in saying a different amount and this was wrong. You must redo this and resubmit it and the difference of these amounts will have to be returned to the Treasury. Subtract \$1,321. That is how much you are going to have to return to the Treasury.

Elnita Rank: Unless we can show how it has been spent?

LeBeau: No. It is too far back. It will have to be sent back. You don't have any final report submitted for this year either. You add your final figures and if you have more than was spent, you pay it back. Otherwise, we owe you money.

Elnita Rank: So there was an over-payment in year B?

LeBeau: Yes, right. We are going to have to do the same thing with Year B and C.

Elaine Claymore: Mr. Quitta said they would owe us \$34,000 after Program Year B.

LeBeau: I don't care what Quitta says. I do not have the report; therefore, I cannot make a decision. If it is less, then we owe you. In this case, you owe us.

Elnita Rank: We will have to go back to Program Year A and come down the line to get things straight.

LeBeau: Right. And the final report cannot say you have \$15,000, when the auditor says you have \$26,000 left. If there is a difference, you would have to correct it.

LeBeau: You will have to formulate a report for years A and B. For year C you have ninety days. If you don't get B right now, we may not be able to get you that money. But Year A I know you have lost and you will have to return that money.

Elnita Rank took a form and went to the adding machine to check it out.

LeBeau: We may owe you money, I don't know. I can't determine that until I get a report.

Isburg: If they owe us, can we subtract the difference?

LeBeau: No. You will have to pay it back.

Isburg: And then if they owe us, will they pay it?

LeBeau: Yes, they will. But you can't get the two years mixed up.

Elnita Rank: She finished using the adding machine and said there was a mistake in the forms. If we figure this out and if we write a letter saying the Finance Officer made a mistake in addition or subtraction, how about that? Didn't your office check this? They just look at it? You have a hell of an office. (jokingly)

LeBeau: You have a hell of an office for doing this in the first place.

Elnita: Well Mr. Skye and Dorothy, this is what we will have to do and I will help you. He will give us until the 15th. Everything on new forms?

LeBeau: Yes

Elnita: How about these forms 15. What did they do with the ones we sent in?

LeBeau: We never got them.

Elnita: They have been sent in and we will send you copies.

LeBeau: Your final 15's should agree with your 28 and this must agree with your audit.

Elnita: That is going to be a lot of research. She inquired if we have a copy of the audit for Program Year B.

Dorothy: Yes.

Elnita: (explained to Wm. Isburg) If Loren had added this and subtracted, he would have come up with a correct figure, but he didn't. We just estimated and that is \$26,000 difference. (to LeBeau) What will happen is we will give you money and then you will be giving us money.

LeBeau: Yes, if you get your reports in, and accurate.

Elnita: They call these forms 28. They still call them the same number, but they have changed a little.

LeBeau: Yes. (He and Elnita reviewed the form) Don't change this. The only figure you enter here is the actual expenditures and actually what you have left over. Don't go back and try to reconcile these columns, because nine times out of ten you can't. Don't change this part. Use the same one. This is for the budget. Just add the last figures. If we agree with the auditor, then we are in business. But they will believe the auditor, so that is why we need to come out. That is our two major problems, these forms and our audit.

(Elnita and Dorothey discussed what is left to be done and it seems we have the figures and just need to put them on the forms.)

LeBeau: You need final form 28 for program years A and B, and they will expect one ninety days after Program C year ends.

Ronie Kirkie asked about Head Start.

LeBeau: We don't know how it will be funded. We understand it might be a special program under the Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare. But O.E.O. will still have it for this year.

LeBeau: Your 28's, 15's, and audit are three things which must be in by the 15th. By the end of May, your final report has to come in for Year C. (Coffee was brought in.) In Year A you are going to owe us money. B. Year we may have to pay you, depending on what the figures show.

Elnita said she has everything for Year A, and for B it should be in the C.A.P. Office. She asked if headstart funds are supposed to be separate. (Mentioned Nixon admin)

LeBeau: Yes, you should have a separate account for headstart and CAP. You can have one check book, but there should be two accounts and two sets of records.

(This was discussed and it was felt to be better to have two check books also.)

Isburg: Do we have any other questions on Year A or B.

Bob Philbrick: While Mr. LeBeau is here, Mr. Skye was explaining things on your program and we aren't ready to say we were running the programs good, but it was in Washington we weren't funded. I think you have LeBeau here today and will get things straightened out. If we wait till we talk to someone in charge who knows, it would be better than blaming someone. I will say there are a few other things which need to be corrected after we get the money matters straightened out. You have a lot of other things to do and this would be a good time to bring these things out, because it isn't just getting money and writing checks. Somebody mentioned the new administration and I am glad, whether it is Nixon or whoever it is, I am glad they are making a change so we must show what we are doing. Otherwise, this is what hurts the community.

Elnita Rank: We have had too many changes in C.A.P. Directors and too many councilmen telling them what to do.

Isburg: If we get cleared up through the end of year C and now we are asking for funds for Program Year D, and if we want to set a new course with new restrictions, maybe we could talk that over and make it operate smoother next year.

Paul Harrison: It is up to the people to do that.

Larry Abernathy: Said that we have had too many directors and it would be better if we could keep the same one.

Grace Estes: We can't control a C.A.P. Director and tell him when he can and cannot quit.

Elnita Rank: He would have stayed if he didn't have so many bothering him.

Mr. Skye: I suggest we get things cleared up with Mr. LeBeau so he can leave before we get in a lot of personality conflicts. For next year, it should be reprogrammed and restructured.

LeBeau: I have read your program and I am not satisfied with it. There are several questions I need resolved.

Isburg: This is for the coming year, for programs we are trying to get funded now.

LeBeau: Yes. I am going to exclude Headstart because I am not too much concerned with this at this point. Let's start here. You have a proposal and you want one chief for every two Indians. That I cannot buy. In other words, you have a supervisor for every two people. I cannot buy that. So what are you going to do about it? Second, your administration costs are running about forty percent of your program. This is too high. It should be around twenty percent. Again, that is because you have too many chiefs and not enough Indians. You should get this changed some way. You have too many supervisors. I would rather see you hire the poor and not so many professionals.

(They took the administrative program for review)

Skye: He said the community aides should be separated from the administration.

(Mr. Kapke, Mr. Vocu, and Miss Simmons came in and Mr. Skye introduced them.)

Skye: Would it be better to have the community aides separate from administration, or is it all right to have the two combined.

LeBeau: That would depend on what they do.

Paul Harrison: They were originally set up as administrative aides, but they were changed to community aides.

LeBeau: Let's leave that for a moment. We are not concerned anyway. Let's go on to the rest of the program. In the whole thing, you don't tell me what you are going to do and what you are going to accomplish. Your work program didn't agree with your overall objectives as reflected in your 81. You explain your problems, but you don't tell me how you are going to solve them. You have a Housing Specialist. You tell me your need, but you don't tell me how you are going to solve them. I need to know what your housing specialist is going to do and how many houses he is going to get out here. In your Industrial Development, you don't give any figure on how many jobs you are going to create. You also talk about general education. In here you say the agencies are going to do it. So then why do you have general education written in here if other agencies are going to do it? How many people will you help to obtain a high school certificate at the end of a year? You need to take a look at this this afternoon. You don't have to redo it. I will agree with what you have here. But when you write me, you must let me know what you are going to do and add to this. This will be with all the programs except headstart.

(LeBeau): The other thing, I am not totally sour, but would like to know how you are going to solve the problem of poverty in the whole program, especially concerning home management. You have had this program for three years. What have they accomplished in those three years? besides repairing couches, home visits, nutritional training, for three years? You can train on food only so long. To get the money, you must sell me on the program, so that next year we can evaluate the program. If you say you will help fifty people obtain high school equivalency, I want to know how many you actually did. You will have to go through this today, depending on what you are going to do and what you are hoping to achieve. Secondly, you have too many chiefs and not enough Indians. How are you going to work this out?

Kay Gourneau: Is there a certain form to use?

Elnita Rank: Narratively. One program at a time, and the pre-review should be done with it.

LeBeau: You have some overlap in here as to what the community aides and home management will be doing. I question this. They will be doing the same thing.

Jim Swenson: Wee keep sluffing over headstart. In my estimation, it is one of the best programs that has come to the reservation. It has been set up in two separate funds. Is there any reason why it can't be funded separately, before the regular program?

LeBeau: No, it is supposed to tie to C.A.P.. So what problems you had in accounting affect headstart also. Right now we fund C.A.P. We still have the problem of it being treated separately, which causes a number of problems on reservations.

Clarence Skye: Is this the only program in financial conflict?

LeBeau: No. We have one closed down since the first of the year, and one closed down for eight months which will be reopening next month.

Skye: Do you penalize after a certain date if something isn't in?

LeBeau: Why? What purpose would it serve? I don't penalize any program. You people did. You are responsible. We treat it as a contract. We buy what you are going to do, but if you don't do what you say, it is you people who aren't doing the work. We are very easy to get along with, and we bend over backwards, but we can only go so far.

Niles Brings: We can look forward to refunding if we get this in?

LeBeau: Right

Abernathy: I would like to keep this director.

Joe Wounded Knee: As a chairman of the community organization, I understand we have one representative here to represent the poor, but we never see him at our meetings. What I want to know is how did you get the information to work up these programs? I understand these programs are supposed to come from the poor people. Maybe we don't want these programs and they aren't doing us any good. We would like to appoint some programs that would be beneficial, but we have never been consulted.

Orville Langdeau: Joe, have they ever went to the council with their recommendations?

Joe Wounded Knee: Yes.

Wm Isburg: The only answer I have for that, several years ago when we started our programs, we tried to get the townspeople together and posted notices. We had a good group at the first meetings. We brought this out that it would be the peoples' programs and there would be certain areas we would work in to make things better. Everyone was supposed to go home and come back with ideas at the next meeting. Not too many attended, so we sent out questionnaires and we felt we blanketed the community. We got these back and from them we listed the needs that the most people asked for. From that I believe we passed resolutions and said we had three or five objectives. Finally, our peoples' committee kept getting down smaller and they finally just dissolved. That is why the inter-tribal came out. We did have objectives to start with. If there are new ones since that time, I think they should definitely be considered, because times do change. We have been through this for three years and maybe some of the things we hoped to accomplish have been accomplished.

LeBeau: What do they want out there?

Joe Wounded Knee: As a poor member now, one thing, in the taking of land, we lost all our timber and we would like to have a reforestration program. Another one, we see our senior people and some are disabled and blind. They do not get a full three meals a day and are not taken care of. We would like to ask for an old peoples home so they don't have to get up in the night and run from drunks.

Paul Harrison: Suggested an alcoholics program.

Elnita Rank: The council can have this anytime they ask for it. Dr. Stern has been concerned about this and has said all we have to do is ask and we can get it.

LeBeau: This could be a real good thing for the Housing Specialist to push.

Swenson: H.U.D. will provide it.

Elnita Rank: This would be good employment for the ladies too.

Ronald Kirkie: I am glad you are going to get together and get this made up. . . .

Skye: Organization is very important. If the directors don't know what the people want, they need to work together to get better cooperation.

Grace Estes moved to recess for lunch.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch)

The meeting reconvened at 1:20 p.m.

Mr. Skye called the meeting to order and referred to the CAP grant accounting book.

Mr. Isburg outlined what needed to be done, in cutting down the supervisors and putting more of the poverty people to work, and to put in our goals for how to eliminate poverty, and he also suggested possibly putting in more programs.

Kapke: What specifically does he want you to change?

Elnita Rank summarized Mr. LeBeau's requests:

- 1) That we have too many chiefs, 7 supervisors for 14 aides.
- 2) That our administrative costs are too high, that they are 40% of our budget and should be only 20%
- 3) Making our CAP forms agree.

Kapke: He said not to change everything, but in order to change the costs and bring administration down, we will have to change the budget.

A discussion followed as to what exactly did Mr. LeBeau want and there was a discussion as to how to eliminate poverty, by getting industry and permanent employment. Mr. Burton Step suggested a survey and canvassing of the community to seek out their suggestions and desires. Mr. Skye said Mr. LeBeau wanted a narrative in letter form to accompany our programs.

Mr. Kapke suggested that the letter say that Crow Creek and Lower Brule recognize the difficulty in refunding and there are these inadequacies in our proposal, the lack of a clear relationship between the Forms 81 and 7, and too many supervisors. Then state our program is prepared in this way. We have district meetings, the tribal council meets and decides on basic policy, the CAP Director works this out and puts it on the forms. We could say how we go about evaluating the success of our program and what information we use to do that, mention the R cards, the participant profile, and the community aides go out. Periodically the council meets, every three months for evaluating the program. Every month you have a

monthly report. We take these and feed-backs from the district and participant cards and evaluate how we are doing and make changes. At the end of the program year, we begin refunding proposals. This would go a long way in answering what Duane wants answered. We could say we recognize the problem and how we are going to change it.

Mr. LeBeau entered the meeting and Mr. Kapke told him that we were having some difficulty in knowing exactly what it was that he wanted.

Mr. LeBeau said you say you have poverty on the reservation, what do you mean?

The councilmen replied people without food, fuel is short, sometimes children are hungry during certain periods of the month, no income, low employment, no incentive, and lack of motivation.

Lebeau said to list the problems contributing to poverty and once you do this, you say how you are going to solve these specific problems.

Isburg: Education is also important. Two people living side by side with the same income, maybe one could get by and live good on that income, and the other wouldn't be able to.

Kapke: Are you looking for changes in the budget and number and kinds of components, or are you after statements as to why they have the programs they do? or did you want an explanation and description of the planning process.

LeBeau: I assumed you already did this, preplanning. So I am buying the proposal, but on these programs, you are not telling me enough specifically about what you want to do. It will entail some budget changes, because your administrative costs are too high. The home management aides and the community aides do the same thing. You must divide this up.

Reference was made to CAP form 7, community action program and this was reviewed. Mr. LeBeau said he needed to know the problem and how you intend to solve it. You could say we have seven communities which are not organized. Just state you will help organize these communities. You say the people need training on conducting a meeting, just say so. Maybe the secretary needs training in writing minutes, say so: training a secretary to write minutes. You say you will provide information on job openings, ok. But in the other two sections you don't say how you will help with job openings.

Mr. LeBeau asked questions as to the problem, in community organization. The council men answered that the problems were no organization, they won't meet and come out for meetings, lack of communication. They would attempt to solve this by getting them out to meetings through personal contact by the community aides, follow up and research, etc. It was summarized on the board as follows:

Community Organization

Problem:

- 1) Won't meet

Solution

- 1) Assist them up
- 2) Information
- 3) Research and follow up if they don't attend

The general services component was discussed and home management. Mr. LeBeau said that the way this is written up, there is an overlap between this and the administrative aide. On the board, some of the items were outlined:

Home Management

Counselling

Home management

Family planning

Under the administrative program, Mr. LeBeau suggested that the coordinator position be deleted.

Mr. LeBeau also said he would drop our director's salary. The salary is set up at \$10,800. Mr. LeBeau asked Clarence how much he was getting before. Mr. Skye told him and Mr. LeBeau did some figuring. Then he said \$6800 a year would be the most we could pay him.

LeBeau: You could only pay that out of C.A.P. The tribes could pay more. Twenty percent above the last salary is the most they could pay. Noone coming into a program for the first time is eligible to receive more than twenty percent of his last salary, based on a year long projection. If he was only working a month before, you would project that salary. If the Tribes want to pay \$10,000, they can pay the difference.

Swenson: What if they were hired directly out of college?

LeBeau: There is a state wide wage scale made up over there for the different types of degrees and you can come in at that figure. Business Administration is probably around \$6,000 for a starting wage.

Questions were asked by the various councilmen if there wasn't any possibility of getting a waiver of this. Mr. LeBeau replied no, that this was a law and they must follow it. The question was asked whether it had ever been waived in any other case. Mr. LeBeau told of one case in which he had helped obtain a waiver where a head-start aid had been going to night school and driving 60 miles one way, to obtain a degree. This 20% was waived and he was given a raise to about a GS-9 because his expenses were too great for his salary.

J. W. Thompson asked Mr. LeBeau if he would care if we went over his head to try and get a waiver. Mr. LeBeau stated no, he didn't care, but it probably wouldn't do any good because the pressure would just come back to him anyway.

This was discussed and the Tribes felt they would be obligated to pay the \$10,800 even if they had to make up the difference because the position was advertised for this amount.

The council discussed this with Mr. Skye. Mr. Skye said he thought he would just resign, because he didn't think it would be right for the Tribes to make up the difference; however, he agreed to wait a couple weeks to see if the Tribes could get a waiver.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
MAY 5, 1969

The meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on May 5, 1969, with the following people present:

George Tlustos, Housing Officer
Orville Langdeau
Charles Langdeau
Sylvester LaRoche


Orville Langdeau stated that Buster could start working, but he would have to have Friday off to go back to Sioux Falls. Charles Langdeau inquired about the wages. After some discussion, it was agreed the supervisor would receive \$500 per month plus mileage, not to exceed \$100 per month. It was decided to begin with one supervisor and four workers, and the workers would receive an hourly wage of \$1.82 per hour.

The homes to be repaired were discussed and a list is as follows:

- 1) Ernest Bad Horse - Wants a cellar or shed
- 2) Oscar Two Hawks - Needs a house moved in and set on a foundation.
- 3) Cecelia Two Hawks - Needs to be checked out to see what can be done. House is rotted out.
- 4) Jonas Small - Needs a foundation under his house
- 5) Noah Grassrope - Primarily interior repair
- 6) Mathew and Emma Grassrope - Needs to be checked out; main need is water.
- 7) Laura Ziegler - Needs to be jacked up and braced underneath and needs more roof trusses; also interior repair, linoleum, etc.
- 8) Joe Two Hawks - Needs to be checked out.

Alfred Ziegler
Aurelia Pourier
Lawrence Goodlow
Fred LaRoche

A telephone call was made to Kennebec Lumber and they agreed to come out Wednesday morning, May 7th, and Buster and Mr. Tlustos would go with them to the various homes to get an estimate of the materials needed and price quotations.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Sec.

Lower Brule
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
MAY 7, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on May 7, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:45 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson
Kay Gourneau
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau
Grace Estes
Orville Langdeau (arrv. 11:00)

The meeting was opened with the Prayer of St. Francis led by Grace Estes.

(1)

RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM - The chairman called on Mr. Mann and Mr. Toby Wise from the Public Health Service who explained the rabies control program, which consists of vaccination of domestic pets and picking up all stray or unvaccinated animals. They described how the program was operating at Rosebud and their plans for building holding pens for unlicensed dogs or dogs being held for observation. They stated that rabies is a fatal disease and that the only cure for a person bit by a rabid animal is a series of fourteen shots which are very painful, and this is the reason for a preventive rabies control program. The chairman stated he would discuss this with the Law and Order Committee and let them know the decision.

(2)

PEST CONTROL PROGRAM - LaVern Reinhart, the Community Health Representative Coordinator, told of the number of homes on the reservation in need of spraying for pest control, bed bugs, cockroaches and spiders, and he gave price quotations from two different companies on what it would cost to have these homes sprayed. Kay Gourneau made a motion to go ahead and authorize the C.H.R.'s to have this done and to also have them carry on a follow-up program to prevent reoccurrence in these homes. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for, none against.

(3)

PROPER USE OF MEDICINE - Mr. Mann said that the Public Health Service feels that all the people in the country as a whole do not know how to take drugs, and they were trying to get on the reservations consultation rooms next to the pharmacist's office so that a private place would be available for the patient to ask any questions he may have and that the pharmacist could give instructions on the proper use of the various medicines. He stated they would be going around to each home with a questionnaire and will ask whether there is anything they can do to better their services.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

(4)

GRASSROPE IRRIGATION STUDY - The chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:15 and called on Mr. Ed Riehle, County Extension Agent. Mr. Riehle introduced Mr. Martin Olson with the Bureau of Reclamation in Huron and Mr. Ray DeRamat. They gave a progress report on the feasibility studies they are making concerning the irrigation units at Fort Thompson and the Grassrope Unit at Little Bend. They stated that their study is far enough along now to say these units are feasible and the benefits from developing this project would offset the costs. He stated there are about 4100 acres of irrigable land in the Grassrope Unit and that the cost would be between seven or eight dollars per acre to operate the system. He stated when they complete the study it will be up to the council whether they want to pursue it further and go to Congress and ask for an appropriation to build the system. They expected to have the report completed by September and that it should be reviewed and in Washington by about one year from now. Then under normal procedure it takes about three years to get the funds and authorization to build the project and another three years to build it, so they are talking about six years time. Mr. Riehle called on Mr. Fay Kerr who explained crop yields from dry land and irrigated land and gave each councilmen a brochure showing the increased margin of profit with irrigation. Mr. Herrington advised the council to be thinking about this project and whether we plan to request an appropriation for it to be built in order to speed things after the study is complete.

(5)

LAND SALE - Joe Brewer said he has the appraisal on the Frank Walsted Bear Estate. The Tribe already owns a half interest in this land. J. W. Thompson made a motion to buy it. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for, none against, Grace Estes absent.

Joe Brewer stated that he has the appraisal on the Julie Black Dog Allotment, there are three quarters of land in the NE of Sec. 20, 107-76, in Gillman's Unit. Charles Langdeau made a motion that the Tribe buy this. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

Joe Brewer stated that Buster LaRoche wants to buy that quarter of land where he is living, and he didn't know if he wanted to get this under the Land Purchase Program or not. Kay Gourneau made a motion to set up a credit committee meeting with Mr. LaRoche. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Grace absent.

A letter was read from Richard Durkin in Juneau, Alaska, asking about the sale of his helpship lands and what was the delay, as he would hate to collect in the copy-hunting grounds. Joe Brewer stated that he now has the appraisals on all the tracts. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we adopt a resolution requesting the Area Director to fill the position of assistant to Joe Brewer because our land dealings are piling up and he needs some help in getting them out. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against, Grace absent.

(7)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The chairman stated we have an invoice from Attorney Larson for \$100.00 covering the period of March 17th through April 16th. Charles Langdeau made a motion to pay this. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against.

(8)

ENROLLMENT - Applications for enrollment were received for Susan Lee Stage, daughter of Adelaide Florina Rencontre and Carroll Dean Stage, and for Roderick Wayne Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Vincent Kennedy, both children being more than one-quarter. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll them. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for, none against, Grace absent.

(9)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT - An educational grant application was received for Richard Thompson, Jr. to attend the Black Hills State College beginning in the summer session, 1969. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve it. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Grace absent.

(10)

DUES, UNITED SIOUX TRIBES - A letter was read from the United Sioux Tribes assessing Lower Brule dues of \$350. Orville Langdeau stated he thought that we were paid up way ahead and J. W. Thompson said he thought so too. Clarence Thompson made a motion to table this until we find out. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for, none against, Grace absent.

(11)

OMNI CHECKS - A letter was read from Betty Durkin asking if the Tribe would do anything about the three bad checks she received as salary from working at Omni. A letter was also read from Waits Market concerning one he is holding. Kay Gourneau mentioned also that Omni had not paid the light bill at the plant and this was \$260.63, and also that there was an old light bill at the store of \$102.43 from the time John and Bossie operated the store.

(12)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Attorney Bubak called on the phone and asked what the Council decided on the offer of settlement. Their offer of settlement of \$15,000 was still open today, and we should decide whether to accept it, or if not, get ready to file suit, and that it would cost about \$2,000 to retain California counsel and he would hope they would take it on a one-third basis. This was discussed and the Chairman called Attorney Bubak and reported that the council's decision was to stay with the previous offer of \$20,000, but to raise it to \$22,000 to include the cost of filing suit. The chairman returned to the meeting and stated that Attorney Bubak wanted a resolution authorizing

him to go down to California and start suit and for the \$2,000 to go down with. Mr. Edzards said it is a violation of the purchase process to advance funds and maybe we should include in the resolution that this is necessary to protect our original investment and to modify the budget to include this. Charles Langdeau made a motion to have Mr. Bubak and Mr. Larson start proceedings and to give them authorization for the \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for, one against, Grace Estes absent. The vote was J. W. Thompson, Kay Gourneau, Charles Langdeau, and Clarence Thompson for the motion and Orville Langdeau against.

(13)

ROADS, 1970 WORK PROGRAM - Mr. Edzards said that at the special meeting on roads held on April 23rd, no decision was made on the 1970 work program as far as construction money is concerned. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution to work on Counselor Creek and to put Cedar Creek as the second priority. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(14)

WATER PLANT - Mr. Edzards said that apparently Public Health will enlarge the capacity of the water plant to handle the forty homes that are to come in.

(15)

INDIAN COMMISSIONER - Mr. Edzards said that Commissioner Bennett had resigned at the administration's request to protect his status as a civil service employee, and he didn't know who would be the new commissioner.

(16)

GEORGE TRACK LAND SALE - The chairman referred to a letter concerning George Track's land sale and apparently he had borrowed money from Karlan on it. Mr. Edzards said that this wouldn't be a recognized payment.

(17)

ALFRED ZIEGLER CATTLE - Alfred Ziegler said he wanted to sell about six or eight old cows and use the money, and that he had saved about 30 calves last year so his count was up. J. W. Thompson made a motion to allow him to sell them. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against, Grace absent.

(18)

JERAULD JANDREAU CATTLE LOAN - The chairman stated that the Credit Committee had a meeting with Jerauld Jandreau and he wants an extension on his loan and he wants a loan for \$6,000 to get a well. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the credit committee action. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Grace absent.

(19)

LAW AND ORDER MEETING - The chairman announced that there would be a meeting here on May 22nd at 9:00 a.m. with Mr. Venji, Mr. Harold Schunk and Mr. Freidenburg concerning P.L. 90-351, the Safe Streets Act, and they would like to have the council here.

(20)

INDUSTRIAL MEETING - The chairman stated that there would be some representatives from Rayon Industries from Sioux Falls, and a commercial printer, who would be here tomorrow to see our plant and meet with the council. He stated that when they toured their plant in Sioux Falls and talked with them, they had said that if they do help us get started here, they will want us to manage it ourselves. Clarence Thompson suggested we have a general meeting with the people concerning this and have them make a decision so they won't blame the council. Orville Langdeau made a motion to do that, have a general meeting with the public. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against. No date was set at this time.

(21)

UNIVERSAL MANUFACTURING - The chairman stated that on this totem pole industry, they want an answer, and that he and Grace had gone up and looked this over but all they had were about four saws and some old scrap lumber. Charles Langdeau made a motion to reject this offer with the Universal Manufacturing Co. and save the Tribe \$40,000. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(22)

MEETING IN RAPID CITY - J. W. Thompson said that each councilman had received a copy of the Proposed Hog Project where they plan to utilize the old Provo ammunition dump; however, from the meeting in Rapid City, it appeared that most of the labor would come from Provo and Pine Ridge.

(23)

OFFICE SIDEWALKS AND LAWN - The chairman outlined the plans for hauling in dirt and planting a lawn for the office, and for putting in sidewalks and that Dilly Ziegler would do the work on the sidewalks but it might cost a little extra over our contract. J. W. Thompson made a motion to put the sidewalks in. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(24)

BIG BEND PROJECT CLAIMS - The chairman stated that he had seen Attorney Larson and he plans to have these rejected claims on the calendar by the 13th and then he will contact each individual so they will be ready to go to court.

(25)

MISC. - Kay Gourneau stated that Lawrence Thompson plans to work his cattle the 17th.

(26)

RECREATION - J. W. Thompson made a motion to send in our fees for the fair and rodeo in August. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. The chairman stated that we have a regular recreation committee meeting on the 14th in the evening, and maybe that would be a good time to have a fair committee meeting on this. J. W. Thompson made a motion to write to Mr. Korkow and get a commitment from him for some bulls and saddle broncs for the 9th and 10th of August. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(27)

LITTLE BRITCHES RODEO - The chairman said he was thinking about have a Little Britches rodeo the 30th of May and was going to get some shetlands, and maybe they could have some roping too and could discuss this at the meeting on the 14th.

(28)

GARBAGE PICKUP - J. W. Thompson said that some people in the community are complaining about the garbage pickup and saying they are not getting the service they are paying for. The chairman stated he would talk to Nathan about this.

(29)

O.E.O. FUNDS - A letter dated April 7th from Senator McGovern was read, in which he thanks us for our letter and said he was sorry that he could not be of assistance in restoring the funds for our O.E.O. Programs which were cut.

(30)

TRIBAL TRACTOR - The chairman stated that the tribal tractor is in bad shape and needs repairs but it is a British made deisel and they can't get parts for it. J. W. Thompson suggested we get it working and trade it in.

(31)

ADJOURNMENT - The chairman reminded everyone of the meeting tomorrow morning, and J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on May 7th, 1969.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
May 8, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on May 8th, 1969. In the morning, a tour was made of our industrial building. In the afternoon, a meeting was held and called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 2:00 p.m., with the following people present:

Council present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Grace Estes
Kay Courneau
J. W. Thompson
Orville Langdeau
Charles Langdeau (morning only)
Joyce Estes, Finance Officer

Others

Jim Swenson, Planning Consultant
Duane Harder, B.L.A., Aberdeen

Raven Industries

R. A. Pohl, Vice President
E. E. Owen, President
David A. Christensen, Vice President
Mike O'Connor, printing firm

Raven Industries said they are not here for charity, or for a venture. They want it to be profitable and they expect people to work in return for getting wages.

Kay Courneau said she thought the people are ready and eager to work.

Raven Industries said what they could see us doing was trying to get some long term government contracts and through this get it established and get it on its feet and get a work force trained and established, then go into the commercial lines. It would be a team effort and must be on a profitable basis. It appears they (Omni) came in on a shoe string and it broke in a hurry before it ever got rolling.

Kay asked if they wanted us to get a manager to start off with. They replied they would offer assistance and talent in the beginning, but then there has to be enough enthusiasm among our people to take the ball and run with it.

J. W. Thompson stated that one of our problems has always been with the sales and marketing of products. They indicated they would market the products.

J. W. Thompson asked if in the beginning the Tribe would be asked to make any financial lay out. Raven said they have never operated that way and they don't look for financing.

Mr. Christensen: In Huron, they have a plant manager, shipping clerk, mechanical or maintenance man, and four ladies on the floor. There is no sense in having three different accounting departments. They do expect a good day's work and fair efficiency.

J. W. Thompson: The Tribe is going to make money, and you will make money. How?

Mr. Owen: We will rent your facilities and do have a good profit sharing plan. The plan is close to one million dollars and this has been within the four years since they started. I think this would be the way we would go. We would rent your plant, hire your people and expect them to do a good day's job and make money.

Andrew Estes: The best way then would be a flat rate rent? Mr. Owens said yes.

Mr. Pohl: Maybe to start out with they would want a break in the rent until that get it going.

They also inquired how much the Tribe had in our plant, and Joyce Estes replied about \$78,000. They also discussed or inquired about two shifts. The council indicated there probably would be no objection, but this has never been necessary before. Raven Industries also said they would like help from us in the hiring, because we know our people. J. W. Thompson mentioned also that we have never even tapped the non-Indian labor force around here, from Reliance and neighboring towns. To get a force of about fifty, we would probably have to tap this force. Mr. Christensen said that he thought about twenty to start with would be the most.

Mr. Pohl: We do not have any big, grandiose plan, but we would come in and try to build a team and build it together.

Mr. Christensen: Ever since we have gone to Huron, they have about 160 employed. But they have done a good job for us. You have a nice plant here and you could put 50 people in there and have them do a good job.

The inquired about land and J. W. Thompson said absolutely. From the plant on down clear down to the reservation line. We could even get you another building built. The chairman also mentioned we have the storage building by the tribal hall.

Mr. Christensen asked if anyone had ever known of Raven and if they had a good opinion. Kay Gourneau said they had, and also told them we had tentatively planned a meeting with our people to explain this to them and get their feelings.

Mr. Owen: This is more of just a visit here to see what you have. I haven't met enough of the people. The people I have met, they have good attitudes and if the rest are the same, it will be ok. You have one bonus, you can throw in some geese shooting and fishing.

J. W. Thompson: When would you want us to make a decision?

SPECIAL MEETING

MAY 8, 1969

Mr. Owen: You don't have to make a decision. We will make a decision and get back to you. We will try to put something together, but I don't know right now what it will be and it will take us a little time. It doesn't happen overnight.

Mr. Christensenk Said he had some ideas in his head. I was the one they had to drag out here, but I am favorably impressed.

They discussed the plant and said it was nice, had a good heating system, and cooling, and it has what power they will need.

The discussed training people and said it could be painful. They said if you train 15 people and then in two week's you don't have that 15 and have to train all new ones. They would like to know if they train them that they will stay there.

Mr. Owen: If we do come in here, we will make a determined effort to put it together, but there will be a lot of it up to the people and the workers.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

REPORT TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL ON TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO
ON MAY 18-20, 1969

Pursuant to Tribal Council Resolution No. 69-79 authorizing a delegation to go to California to negotiate a settlement or bring suit against Chalomar, Cal-Dak and Zeltex, we departed from Pierre on May 18th and arrived in San Francisco the same date, accompanied by Attorney Bubak and Mr. Edzards, Superintendent, Pierre Agency.

On Monday, the 19th, we visited with the Law Firm of Dinkelspeil and Dinkelspeil. In general terms the situation was explained to Mr. Dinkelspeil, who seemed to grasp the situation readily and did tentatively agree to accept us as a client pending further review of the documents. The cost was discussed. He advised he would need a \$1500 retainer which would be used at the rate of \$60 an hour for approximately three days' work. He felt that this would be sufficient to start the investigation. He also advised that from the information that was furnished to him, the chances of recovery were not good and maybe we were chasing skeletons. He could not give an amount as to what the total cost would be if he took the case, but \$5,000 seemed to be a conservative figure. We met with him for one hour and advised him upon leaving that we had a meeting scheduled with the officers and Attorney of Chalomar that afternoon to see whether or not we could make a settlement, and if we could not, we would retain him as attorney for the tribe to prosecute this matter.

Later on that afternoon, we kept an appointment with Attorney Lempres and Mr. Richard Hansen in Attorney Lempres Office in Oakland. The purpose of the meeting was stated, specifically, we were authorized by the council to accept a \$22,000 settlement. This was not acceptable at all with Chalomar. They kept advising that Chalomar was not legally responsible for the indebtedness of Cal-Dak, but would acknowledge owing to the tribe rentals for the time their company occupied the building at Lower Brule. This was estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$10,000. We advised them that we had tentatively retained counsel in California, Dinkelspeil and Dinkelspeil. Then Mr. Hansen and Mr. Lempres left the room and they were a little more serious about arriving at a settlement. After Mr. Lempres and Mr. Hansen had a private meeting, then the attorneys had a private meeting.

Attorney Lempres wanted to know from us whether or not we were in a position to make a settlement that day. Our reply was that if they would offer \$22,000, we were authorized, but we were not authorized for anything less than that, but would consider their offer. They then made an offer to settle by paying \$17,500 providing we were authorized to sign an agreement of release to this effect. This was stated as a final offer, and if we wanted to retain a law firm in California, they would meet with them.

After considering our chances of recovery through legal means, which we already decided wasn't very good after talking to our lawyer, the cost involved, plus the risk of losing the \$17,500 offer, we decided it was best to try and contact the other councilmen to see what their feeling was in settling for less than the authorized \$22,000. At this time we contacted as many councilmen as we could and after explaining it to them, the decision that needed to be made, we were able to obtain enough affirmative votes to accept the settlement of \$17,500. This being obtained, a document was prepared and signed by both parties on behalf of the Tribes and by the officers of Chalomar. A copy is attached.

We realize that the Tribe lost money in this venture, but do feel that this is the best recovery that could be made, and that every effort that could be made was made to protect the tribe's investment.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman

Orville C. Langdeau, Councilman

SPECIAL MEETING ON LAW AND ORDER
MAY 22, 1969

The special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office Building and was called to order by the chairman, Andrew Estes, at 9:15 a.m., with the following people present:

Council

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau
Clarence Thompson

Guest Speakers

Harold W. Shunk, Governor's Committee,
Safe Streets Act
(Rimrock Highway, Rapid City)
W. H. Fredenberg, Area Special Officer,
Aberdeen

Law and Order Staff

D. R. Vinje, Special Officer, Pierre
Charles H. Gruse, Capt. of Police
Ellsworth A. Garreau, Lt. of Police
Helen Smith, Chief Judge
Rose McCauley, Associate Judge
Lyonne Garreau, Clerk of Courts

The meeting was turned over to Mr. Fredenberg, who said that the reservations know what they want in the way of law enforcement. Aberdeen only gets so much money in the Area Office and it has to be cut up between the agencies, but it never turns out to be enough money. Justifications are sent in to Law and Order in the Central Office and they try to get more money, but it doesn't work that way. For next year the Lower Brule allocation will be \$24,685, which will pay for the two policemen, the contract judges, motor services, supplies and equipment and everything. This is all the money there is going to be. However, you as a local political organization and tribal council are the ones who can exert the influence where needed. If you feel you need more, you are going to have to push for it and pass resolutions, or work with the congressmen, or whatever you do, because the bureau just doesn't get any more money. What happens is that all the costs and expenses and salaries get higher and this comes out of your expenses. This reduces your operating funds. Pretty soon it gets so bad you can't even keep prisoners because you can't pay board and meals. What would be a good idea for you would be to work out a program and see if it is sufficient to operate. You might come up with a program which would cost \$34,000 and then you would have to push to get that additional money. Also, you will need housing for officers. They figure \$20,000 per home. If you need another policeman and need a home, put that in too, \$20,000 - new home. Also, you might need more cars, so you would talk in terms of another vehicle. This is not to say you will get these things, but you should say what you will need.

Mr. Fredenberg mentioned also that Bureau was getting new uniforms, which will be standard for all the reservations, and there would be a standard badge, so if a man is transferred it would be the same type uniform.

Mr. Shunk: I might say in starting out and as a former superintendent, and not being an employee of the federal government I can say this without being scared. The federal government in the first place created this situatio- and they should pay for it; Therefore, I think you should do everything you can to get federal funds to operate this police department instead of using your funds, and you could put the pressure on Mundt, Berry and Reifel. Everyone is now getting law minded. For a while it was the prisoner, but now it has turned back. He suggested we invite a consultant out and he would help us develop a plan. Then it would be very easy to get the money out of the Law Enforcement Agency. They have millions of dollars appropriated to carry on law and order programs. When they set up a plan that everyone agrees with, then it is easier to get the money. The man's name was

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Washington, D.C. 20036
phone 202-265-7227
International Association of Chiefs of Police
Field Operations Division

Mr. Shunk suggested we write and ask him to come out and make a survey for the Lower Brule Reservation and help set up a planning grant for the Lower Brule Reservation. This is one way of getting your foot in the door and getting the money to operate the system.

Getting back to the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act, Mr. Shunk said that they had asked him to serve on this board to represent the Indian on the Reservation, on the Governor's Committee, which consists of about 21 people throughout the state. The number one thing everyone throughout the state seemed to want was police training. The number two was equipment. In Rapid City, they had hoped they could get a center for youth, but when you think that \$600,000 is all we get for the entire state, each community would get a small amount. So they have to decide on something that everyone can participate in. Whatever they decide for the state, say it is training. Mr. Shunk said he would see that the reservations get a fair share in the training. He said Rosebud had the idea there would be a certain amount of money allocated to them. This is not true. It has to be a state-wide thing, that would improve law and order. They wanted a policeman in each district. That would be impossible. On this reservation, what we need to do is convince the people to sign complaints. Because in any community, they only have as good law and order as this community demands. One of my real hobbies is Indian history. I have studied it and dug it out of archives and sat down with the old people and made records of it. They had the best system in the world because they had pressure and public opinion to stay in order. I can remember that the old Indian people, if a man got out of order, they just tied him up and left him over a hill. My personal opinion would be that Lower Brule, without too much experience, that maybe some of this education or training might be done through this system of having an expert in the field of law and order come out and spend a month talking about how to have a good law and order system. All the fine officers and judges will not make a good

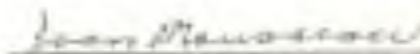
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system. The people must demand and support it. So these are some of the things you could think about. What I would like to receive from you Andrew, is to have your council's thinking, and each reservation we meet with, could sit down and think this out and make recommendations of things that would help.

Mr. Shunk also showed the council a set of forms which are used to apply for a planning grant under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act. He suggested that we spend as little tribal money as we can for law and order because the Federal government created this situation on the reservation and they should pay for it. When Rosebud shifted over from tribal police to all federal police, they saved themselves \$50,000.

Mr. Shunk spoke at great length about education, how he can remember when there was only one Indian boy in college and now there are 600 in one school, and about setting goals and working for that goal. He also talked about making friends for the Indians, discrimination, and how everyone is discriminated against at one time or other. He told many stories about different people and how important recognition is. He said the council could do a lot to encourage our youth by recognizing achievements in some way.

At the close of the meeting, Mr. Shunk again urged the council to write to Mr. Whitmer and ask him to come out and assist in setting up a plan for law and order for the reservation.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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Ray Gourneau	City Treas. Vital Record	Lower Bank S. D.
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Rosa McAnley	Assistant Judge	Lower Bank, S. D.
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John C. Smith	Chief Judge	Lower Bank S. D.
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Will Langdon	Sp. Comm. Sec.	Lower Bank S. D.
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Carroll Thompson	Bank Council	Lower Bank S. D.
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Edward S. Hedges	S. of Police	Lower Bank S. D.
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Andrew Mc Ester	Chairman Tribe	Lower Bank S. D.
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Harold W. Shank	Representative	Washington, D. C.
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Charles H. Crane	Capt. of Police	Fort Thompson S. D.
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W. H. Seidenberg	Post Office Special Officer	Aberdeen S. D.
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Jacob Rosenman	Clk. Store	Lower Bank, S. D.
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PIERRE - Lower Brule

1	Policeman	GS-6	\$ 7,569
1	Policeman	GS-4	5,890
			<u>\$13,459</u>

Premium Compensation 3,365

Personnel Benefits 1,144

Travel 92

Motor Services 3,400

Supplies 25

CONTRACT:

2 Judges 3,200

\$ 24,685

MINUTES
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 4, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on June 4th, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:15 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held on May 7th. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The chairman stated we have Attorney Larson's Invoice in the sum of \$235.88. Grace Estes made a motion to approve it. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

RAVEN INDUSTRIES - Mr. Swenson reported that Raven Industries is interested in our plant, that they are working with S.B.A. and seeking government contracts. How soon they are able to start will depend on how soon a contract is presented to them that they think will fit on this reservation and that it shouldn't take too long. J. W. Thompson said that he hoped they would get a product that can be produced by both men and women, and Andrew Estes said that the pole barn was built and insulated so that it could be used for assembling and manufacturing.

(4)

TOTEM POLE BUSINESS - Mr. Swenson reported that the totem pole business, known as Sioux Industries, is set up at Fort Thompson and they went into business Monday. They would like to get our people interested, as this is a cottage type industry which the people can do in their homes. He said further that Julius Greenwald is bringing some beads and that so many beautiful things are made on the reservation, that he hates to see the talent wasted.

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE - Mr. Swenson said the industrial development conference sponsored by the National Congress of American Indians will be held in New York the week of June 16th and that C.A.P. will provide funds for two people from each reservation to attend. This conference and past conferences were discussed at length and the chairman suggested we table this and see what we can come up with and see what Crow Creek's plans are.

(6)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - The council reviewed the three educational grant applications for Richard A. Hudson, Sheryl Estes and Darrell W. Huntsman. Grace Estes made a motion to approve them. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

BAIT SHOP - William Ziegler requested that the lease on the bait shop lot be transferred from Alfred to him and Tri-County Bank as he needs this to obtain financing. J. W. Thompson made a motion to transfer this lease. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. Grace Estes asked about Alfred's loan with the tribe, and Billy stated that when this goes through Alfred will have the money and can pay the tribe.

(8)

SIDEWALKS FOR MUTUAL HOUSING - Wm. Ziegler asked if the Tribe was going to put any sidewalks in at the Mutual Housing Project. Andrew asked him to get the footage figured up so we would know about how much it would cost.

(9)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - George Titus gave a progress report on the turn-key housing. He stated a few changes were made on the town plot plan for the reason that Chicago will not pave a street with houses on only one side. Public Health has made their survey and the only rural site on which there was a question was Jerauld Jandreau's and he has made arrangements for a loan to put in his own well. The system in town would be inadequate to handle these additional houses and in this program, they would have to plan a larger pump and larger tower and extension to the sewage lagoon, so this will require quite an extensive Public Health Program. Since this extensive work has to be done on the townsite water system, they would try to get the program for the scattered sites this fall and the town next spring. The street maps and proposed site changes were reviewed and Mr. Titus said that Chicago was asking for a resolution from the Tribe agreeing to pave half of any street where houses are located on only one side. (The chairman stated Mr. Titus had to catch a plane so we would take him now.)

(10)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Titus came to the council with his final drawings on the neighborhood center and said he would be prepared to advertise for bids next week, but he first must get the final approval from Chicago. He said Chicago was asking for some population figures, and for opinion of our legal counsel as to Tribe's charter and constitution, which were furnished to Mr. Titus. He said they might also ask for further justification and a letter outlining the uses for the large multi-purpose room.

LILLIAN WHITE LAND SALE - Lillian White said she had ten acres of trust land that she would like to sell to Karlan. It is south of Shaffers next to the creek, right below Cable's buildings. Kay Gourneau suggested we table this until Joe Brewer comes down.

(12)

TURN-KEY HOUSING, STREET DEVELOPMENT - The chairman called on Mr. Flustos to continue the discussion on the streets. Mr. Flustos said Chicago was asking for a resolution from the Tribe agreeing to pave half of the street and put in the curb and gutter in any instance where houses are located on only one side of the street. The maps were referred to and it was felt that as the houses are now arranged, they are pretty well squared up, but there might be a small area on the end of K Street and possibly in the Neighborhood Center Area, depending on how much was done with the construction of this building. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to that effect, to take over where H.A. leaves off on the streets. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Kay absent for vote.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner which was served at St. Mary's Hall by the Extension Club.)

(13)

LILLIAN WHITE LAND SALE - The chairman called the meeting back to order and told Joe Brewer that Lillian wanted to sell her land to Karlan. Joe Brewer stated it was an isolated tract surrounded by deeded land. Grace Estes made a motion to allow Lillian White to sell her land and to advertise it. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for, none against, Kay Gourneau abs. f.

(14)

O.E.O. REFUNDING - Clarence Skye said that they are supposed to release O.E.O. funds pretty soon, and he was sorry they had to cut out the coordinator, but that he would spend two days on this side and three on that side.

(15)

O.E.O. FAMILY EMERGENCY LOAN PROGRAM - Clarence Skye described this program under which a family head can borrow up to \$300 providing there is a need. He said with the approval of the inter-tribal council, he would request funding for this for \$100,000, and that no in-kind contribution would be required from the Tribes. Clarence Thompson made a motion to draw up a resolution requesting this program. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(16)

REQUEST FOR O.E.O. ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM - Mr. Skye said there would be a meeting here this Friday on adult education and that a program is needed badly. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting an adult education program. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(17)

O.E.O. RECREATION AND TOURISM PROGRAM - Mr. Skye said we should have something submitted for this, and it would be for summer and winter recreation for the kids and would include tourism. They are funding programs to do with acculturation and may set this up that way.

(18)

LAND PURCHASES - Joe Brewer stated that he had the appraisals on the Durkin lands and there are five tracts involved. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the purchase of the whole thing. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

Joe Brewer said he had a letter from Veronica Pennington saying she would take \$7500 plus the mineral rights for her land at Fort Hale. Clarence Thompson made a motion to make her an offer and try to split the difference, between the appraisal and the \$7500. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

Orville Langdeau said that Noah Grassrope had asked him to find out about his land, and when he traded land with the tribe he traded 80 acres for 40 and what he got was no better. Joe Brewer said the Tribe paid him a cash difference and what land he had before was black hills and when they trade they go by value, rather than acre for acre.

(19)

REQUEST LAW AND ORDER CONTRACT FOR F.Y. 1970 - Kay Gourneau made a motion to request a Buy Indian Act Contract for next year for the judges and radio operator and also to include a probation officer and counsellor combination. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(20)

REALTY ASSISTANT POSITION - Mr. Edzards said we did pass a resolution requesting this position be filled and he had forwarded it on to Aberdeen. They have the position but they have not heard about the budget, but from what we have heard, the budget will not be any different from last year.

(21)

ROAD WORK - Mr. Edzards reported that the road engineer has been hired and will be stationed at Rosebud. He stated they are still in hopes of getting the road transferred to the State. He said also that they are stockpiling fine gravel for the Medicine Creek Road and they plan to do some of that work yet this fall.

(22)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Copies of a report on the trip to San Francisco were distributed to the council. The report gave information on the conferences held with attorneys in San Francisco and the final settlement which was made with Cal-Dak, Chalomar and Zeltex for \$17,500.

(23)

TIME DEPOSIT CERTIFICATE - Mr. Edzards inquired if the tribe wanted to reinvest the tribal funds on deposit in a time certificate in the bank in Iowa, as the certificate will mature in August. Kay Gourneau made a motion to reinvest this and to reinvest the interest at the highest available rate of interest. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(24)

WATER AND SEWER, MUTUAL HOUSING - Lawrence Thompson said that the water and sewer in the mutual housing project have been in a year now and there are some papers which need to be signed so that the Housing Authority and the Tribe can take this over and maintain it. The chairman signed these papers.

(25)

PUBLIC HEALTH, MISC. - Lawrence Thompson said that Mrs. Matthew Grassrope had asked him about a leaking pipe in her house, and Lawrence wondered if this couldn't be fixed under our home repair program as public health didn't have funds to do this for individual homes. Orville Langdeau said what they wanted was to have Public Health check out these homes being repaired under the H.I.P. Lawrence said he could check them out if he had a list of them. He also said he had ordered some films on alcoholism and rabies and that these films were well worth the time to see.

(26)

LAND IN MEDICINE CREEK - Mr. Herrington said in regard to tribal land at Medicine Creek, the Tribe chose not to lease this to the grazing association last year to give an opportunity to negotiate for a trade out of this land. He said that Fay Jandreau needs more land and possibly a trade could be made with the grazing association to make more land available. Charles Langdeau made a motion to authorize the chairman to negotiate with Fay and the Grazing Association. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(27)

UNITED SIOUX TRIBES - A letter was read from the United Sioux Tribes requesting approval of the proposed articles of incorporation for this organization. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give them approval. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for, none against, Orville Langdeau absent. Clarence Thompson made a motion to appoint the Chairman to represent us on the Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for, none against, Kay Gourneau absent.

(28)

REQUEST FOR HOME SITE - Ethel Bad Hand requested a five-acre home site next to Harry's in the corner of Buster's pasture. Charles Langdeau made a motion to give her that five acre homesite. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, Kay Gourneau absent. Her request to take lumber from the old house up by the tribal hall was tabled until Two Hawks could be contacted about this.

(29)

BIG BEND DAM REJECTED SETTLEMENT CASES - The chairman read a letter from Attorney John Larson stating the government will not be ready to go to court till the fall term in October on the claims cases pending, this is the individual claims cases for those who rejected the Big Bend settlement.

(30)

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE - A letter was read from Henrietta Feanette Thompson West notifying the council of the achievement of Sharon Kay Herron in graduating from High School.

(31)

ENROLLMENT - An enrollment application was received for Duane Maynard Chase the Bear, son of Lionel and Rosalind Chase the Bear. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll this child. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with five for, none against, Kay Gourneau absent. A letter was also read from Mrs. Loye Lee (Langdeau) Whitcomb concerning the enrollment of her son Derek Paul Whitcomb, and his degree of Indian blood. Charles Langdeau made a motion to clarify the degree of Indian blood for Amy LaRoche, the grandmother. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 4, 1969

(32)

N.Y.C. SUPERVISOR - Ronald Kirkie said we have 16 kids working on N.Y.C. at Lower Brule and have slots for 24, but they need a supervisor on this side and need \$600 for a supervisor's salary. J. W. Thompson made a motion to put up the money. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(33)

SET UP SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING - A special meeting was set up for Wednesday, the 11th, to go over the budget and approve it.

(34)

VISIT BY DR. WEISMAN - The chairman stated we have a letter saying that Dr. Weisman would be visiting the reservation on June 24th and 25th. He was stationed here as a Public Health Doctor 25 years ago during World War II, and is now living in New York.

(35)

VISIT BY SIOUX FALLS YOUTHS - A letter was read from Mr. Bob Iverson from Sioux Falls who is organizing a camping trip for a group of teen-agers who would like to come to the reservation from June 22nd to July 4th. J. W. Thompson suggested we let them come.

(36)

N.C.A.I. REGIONAL OFFICE - A letter was read from Mr. George W. Thompson, Coordinator, National Congress of American Indians, stating that a regional office serving our area is now located in Minneapolis.

(37)

ANNUAL FAIR, RODEO AND POW WOW - This was discussed and tabled for the recreation committee meeting to be held following the council meeting.

(38)

REQUEST FOR HAY LAND - Andrew Estes requested some land for hay cutting, about 200 acres on the flat south of Elizabeth Eagle Thunder and Silas Black Dog and next to Felix Quilt's, the same as he had last year. Charles Langdeau made a motion to let Andrew have this. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(39)

STOCK GROWERS CONVENTION - A letter was read from the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce welcoming everyone to the annual S. Dak. Stockgrowers Convention to be held in Sioux Falls June 4-7th.

(40)

FORD FOUNDATION GRANTS - A letter from the National Congress of American Indians was read giving instructions for applying for a Ford Foundation Grant. Charles Langdeau suggested we write up a request for funds for the construction of the Neighborhood Center, and possibly for sidewalk and street development.

(41)

SIDEWALKS, MUTUAL HOUSING - The chairman stated that Billy Ziegler had turned in an estimate of \$9,000 and this was discussed and funds were discussed.

(42)

LAW AND ORDER MEETING - Copies of minutes of a Law and Order Committee meeting held on May 22nd were distributed to the council.

(43)

ADJOURNMENT - Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on June 4, 1969.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 6, 1969

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on Friday, June 6th, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at about 10:30 a.m., with the following people in attendance:

Council Members Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Grace Estes
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau

Others Present

Clarence Skye, CAP Director
Dr. Keith Juit, Dean of Education,
Black Hills State College

Mr. Skye introduced Dr. Juit and said that he had asked him here for his ideas and explanation and to help us write up an adult education program which would benefit the two reservations to the fullest extent.

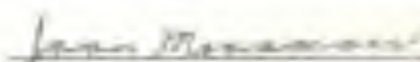
Dr. Juit said he didn't know just where to begin, as there are so many ways you can go with a program. He said they were working with Pine Ridge, but it has not been called adult education. He described the program down there which was being held in conjunction with their parent-child center and they were working with about 24 women on child rearing and the different stages of child development, etc.

Or, it could be something for the general population, generally organized, about how the economic system works; or basic math; or a course of instruction which people who go from the reservation to the city would need, as in basic city living, getting the water and gas hooked up, etc.; acculturation.

Or, they have worked on how to merchandise; get arts and crafts marketed, etc.. The chairman said also that they had been planning on having a course in the Indian language for those who were interested in learning it.

Mr. Langdeau asked if a course was set up, would it be one day a week, or more than one day? Dr. Juit said considering the distance, it would probably be one day a week, or in the evening or Saturday morning.

Dr. Juit said he would be happy to work with us on a program and, assuming this is funded, we would have to feel our way into this as there are no two reservations alike and that it should be a flexible program.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 1969

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the tribal office on June 11, 1969 at 10:30 a.m. with the following members present:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Andrew Estes, Chairman	J. W. Thompson
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman	Charles Langdeau
Grace Estes, Member	
Orville Langdeau, member	
Kay Gournau, Sec'y-Treasure	
Joyce Estes, Non-member, Finance Clerk	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

The Chairman explained that the purpose of this meeting was to prepare the operating budget for fiscal year 1970 and other business needing attention at this time.

INVENTORY - The Council was informed that a complete physical inventory had been taken of all tribal property. There were a few pieces of equipment which could not be found. It was agreed by those present that a further check should be made to try to locate these items. They are as follows:

- Steel Grain Bin
- Motor and compressor
- Revolver, s/w 38 spec.
- Typewriter stand on rollers
- Johnson 2-way radio
- Flash holder, kodak
- Typewriter, Portable, Smith Corona 5T386312X
- Typewriter stand, gray, extensions on sides
- Two-Way Radio, Ranchhand, Portable

Mr. Orville Langdeau also explained that he checked on the bill of sales for the past year of rodeo stock sold, and compared it with the stock listed on the inventory and that we sold more stock than we had on hand due to the fact that there were calves in the herd and not on the inventory. The total inventory price listed for the rodeo stock was \$19,550.00. Proceeds from sale amounted to \$22,290.21. It was also stated that on several occasions a steer was hurt and had to be butchered. The meat was put in the locker and used at special celebrations etc. by the Tribe. Motion was made by Kay Gournau and seconded by Grace Estes to approve the inventory list as reviewed. No objections, the vote carried 4 for and none against.

BUDGET-FY 1970 - The operating budget for 1970 was reviewed and discussed by those present. Mrs. Gourneau stated that funds should be made available for purchase of a new station wagon for the Community Health Program using the present tribal car as trade-in. Mr. Langdeau stated that on several occasions in transporting patients to the hospital the patient should have been laying down instead of doubled up in the back seat. It was agreed to include a new station wa on in the budget. It was mentioned that the tribal car has been used for the Community Health Representatives since the beginning of their program. It was mentioned that all salaries for regular tribal employees would be raised by 1 step increase beginning July 1, 1969. Funds for part-time clerk was discussed. It was mentioned that if all the employees carried their share of the work as it increased periodically that there shouldn't be any need for part-time clerk. It was agreed that new job description sheets be prepared for the tribal employees. It was also mentioned that the tribal janitor should be able to operate a tractor and to assign and direct work to prisoners detailed to him. It was agreed that a small amount should be included in part-time clerical help due to the increase in work resulting from Bi-Indian Contracts. Maintenance costs for the past year was discussed. The Chairman explained the use of the tribal truck and tractor. One reason was that the people living in the new housing area were not financially able to hire someone to landscape their yards, they were able to do it themselves if they had the equipment, in leveling and hauling dirt to their yards to plant lawns. It was further agreed to include an amount for purchase of a new tribal pickup using the old pickup as a trade-in. After more discussion on other expenses of the budget, Mrs. Grace Estes moved to adopt a resolution approving the budget for fiscal year 1970 as it was discussed. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gourneau, no objections, vote 4 for and none against.

The Council members present then reviewed the list of all loans and accounts receivable. After much discussion on the accounts due the Tribe resulting from the operation of the Lower Brule Supermarket in 1964 and 1965, Mrs. Gourneau moved to write off all the accounts due the Lower Brule Supermarket as most of these are believed to be uncollectible however, collections should be made when possible. The write off of the accounts would merely remove these accounts from showing as an asset on the records since it is very unlikely that many can be collected due to the length of time these accounts have been due and to include the write off of \$40.00 owed by Marilyn Middletent which she had received as a small loan. Motion seconded by Orville Langdeau, no objections, vote 4 for and none against.

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Mr. Clarence Thompson asked if all collections had been received for sale of hunting licenses last winter. The tribal receipts were checked and it was reported that no receipt has been made to Lawrence Thompson for sale of hunting licenses. It was then requested that the Chairman remind Lawrence to turn in any funds collected if he has not already done so.

A letter from the Superintendent, Mr. Edzards, was read, relative to modification of the livestock loan of Jerauld Jandreau. All the livestock loans have been made at 3% interest. In the letter from Mr. Edzards, the Council was requested to consider interest at a higher rate upon modification of such loans. After some discussion it was decided to present this at the next meeting with all Council members present before a decision was made on raising the interest on modification of loans.

Mr. Orville Langdeau informed the Council that a request for funds was made for Gary Small Jumper in the amount of \$42.50 in order that he could take advantage of touring several states and Canada during the summer. Another request was for \$40.00 to send Benny Middletent to Bible School at Lead S. Dak. It was felt that these youths would benefit from these trips. Motion by Kay Gourneau to approve these requests, motion seconded by Orville Langdeau, no objections, vote carried 4 for and none against.


There was some discussion on need for adopting ordinances to include penalties to certain sections in the State Code. It was mentioned by Mrs. Gourneau, that the Tribal Code includes sections from the State Code, however, no penalties have been set for these laws by the Tribe. It was decided that a date should be set for a meeting with the Law & Order Committee to review the sections of the code that need attention.

Motion by Mrs. Gourneau, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes to adjourn, no objections, motion carried, vote 4 for and none against.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of a Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on June 11, 1969



Joyce Estes, Finance Officer

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JULY 2, 1969

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on Wednesday evening, July 2, 1969, at 8:00, with the following people present:

Council Members Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Orville Langdeau
Grace Estes

Others Present

Steve Quitta, ICAP, Vermillion
Andy Peterson
Julius Greenwald
Mrs. Greenwald
Clarence Skye, CAP Director
James Swenson, Planning Director
Lisa Estes, Secretary
Joyce Estes, Finance Officer

The meeting was held for the purpose of discussing industrial development and Mr. Quitta and Mr. Greenwald wanted to ask the feelings of the council on industrial development and how they should work this coming year. They stated that the industrial development conferences were geared toward getting a branch plant located on the reservation from one of the big industries in the cities, and this has not been too successful. Raven was mentioned and they thought it would be good as this is a South Dakota Corporation and they might be more willing to establish a branch plant than the bigger industries.

Mr. Greenwald told of many small companies, who employ from 5 to 20 or 30 employees, which are for sale for various reasons, many times by a widow or someone who wants to retire and sell their business. Mr. Greenwald mentioned a leather business of this type for sale by an elderly man of 69. They stated that when you buy a company of this type, you are not paying for the material, but are buying an income. Mr. Greenwald gave an example of a newsstand in New York which was no more than a wooden box, and couldn't have had more than \$100 worth of newspapers, and yet it sold for \$35,000 during the depression. They also gave examples of concession stands which sold for high prices, simply for the right to be located where they are. Sioux Industries, the new totem pole industry located at Fort Thompson, was also discussed, and Mr. Quitta and Mr. Greenwald said they would assist in every way they could to make this a success. Mr. Greenwald said it would have to be a success, as they have the product, they have the market, people wanting to work, and all it will take is a little management.

Management and ways of training management were discussed. O.E.O. said they could assist in this, either by sending one or two men to the plant to learn the business, or by bringing someone from the plant to the reservation to provide the training.

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Mr. Quitta asked how the council felt about this and whether the council wanted to move in this direction or not, or whether the council wanted some more time to think this over and make a decision. Mr. Quitta said they could be getting the names and some information on some businesses and bring them back for the council to discuss. Grace Estes said that she for one would like a little time to think this over, as she didn't even know about this meeting till 3:00 this afternoon.

Mr. Greenwald also asked if we knew of any young man, around 29 or 30 years of age, with a high school education, who would like to come to New York and live and work with him for several months and learn how to handle himself in a business and industrial situation. It would pay between \$7500 and \$9000 a year, and this person could learn and take over Mr. Greenwald's position. Mr. Quitta said if we knew of anyone interested in this, to write or call and let him know.

Mr. Greenwald and Mr. Quitta also mentioned creating a Council of Advisors. They said that many of the failures on some of the reservations could have been prevented if the reservations had asked for some of the expert skill and counsel which is available to them. They said a Council of Advisors could be composed of seven to ten people, a lawyer, business man, engineer, accountant or professional man, possibly retired, who would serve without pay at the request of a person of stature, possibly a senator, president of a college, or the vice-president. Then if the council wanted any expert advice, they would send the proposal to this board for their examination and advice. Mr. Greenwald mentioned that this board of advisors could also assist in cutting the red tape in an industrial development situation, and could possibly assist in recruitment and referral of industrial contacts, and assist in obtaining funding for such an endeavor. This board would be responsible to the Tribe and no one else.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
July 9, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on July 9th, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:15 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes

Absent

Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June meetings. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The General Counsel Invoice from Attorney Larson in the amount of \$915.12 for the period from May 17th through June 16th was circulated to the council for their review. This invoice included expenses incurred on the trip to California in regard to the Chalamar settlement. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's fees. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(3)

APPOINTMENT OF HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBERS - The Chairman stated that the council needs to select some new members on the Housing Authority. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that on July 17th the bids will be let on the new housing project and there will have to be a housing authority meeting on that day with a quorum present. Some of the members' terms have expired and new members need to be selected prior to that time. This was discussed and tabled until those people presently serving could be contacted to see if they are still interested in serving. The Housing Authority consists of a five member board who serve without pay.

(4)

REQUEST FOR LAND SALE & TRADE - A letter from Melburn Bad Horse was read and tabled until the arrival of Joe Brewer.

(5)

ENROLLMENT - A letter was received from the Cheyenne Agency concerning the degree of blood for Amy LaRoche, which was needed to clarify the eligibility of the Whitcomb children for enrollment. The letter was read which stated Amy was one-half Indian. Mr. Orville Langdeau suggested our records be corrected accordingly.

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(6)

INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING - The chairman stated that we have a letter from Mr. Skye stating that the governor will be here tomorrow for our inter-tribal meeting and he hoped everyone would be here. It starts at 10:00 a.m. and dinner will be served. (A telephone call was received later in the day saying the governor could not be present but would send a representative.)

(7)

OAHE DAYS CELEBRATION IN PIERRE - The Chairman read a letter from the First Congregational Church in Pierre asking for participation of the Tribe in the Oahe Day's Celebration on August 8th and 9th.

(8)

REQUEST TO LEASE STORE - A request was read from Orville Langdeau asking to lease the store building at the established rate of \$25.00 per month plus half the lights and fuel for the building for a period of at least six years as he is getting an SBA loan to operate the store and gas pump. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to go along with Mr. Orville Langdeau's request for the store. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(9)

4-H CAMP FEES - A request from Mrs. Marie Langdeau was read concerning 4-H Club Camp to be held in Madison, S. Dak., and asking for camp fees for the 24 kids signed up to go, which fees are \$7.80 per child, making a total of about \$180. J. W. Thompson made a motion to do this. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for, none against, Mr. Clarence Thompson absent for vote.

(10)

OPERATION OF CAFE DURING CONVOCATION - Mrs. Grace Estes said that several people had asked her if she would rent the cafe during the three days during the convocation and that she would try to do this just to accommodate the people who will be here. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to let Grace use the cafe during the convocation and not to charge rent for this as it will be for the benefit of the church, from the 24th through 27th during convocation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(11)

JERVAUD JANDREAU CATTLE PROGRAM - Mr. Jervaud Jandreau stated he sold 54 cows and he would like to use the proceeds to pay the insurance on his loan, a vaccine bill, and to use the balance for living and operating expenses. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to approve this as his calf count is up. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

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(12)

HAY FOR PONIES - Mr. Mike Jandreau said that, on behalf of the people running the ponies, he would like to ask permission to cut the ground that lays back of the town site and put it up for the ponies for this winter. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to grant his request, for cutting hay west of the town site. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(13)

ENROLLMENT - Mrs. Gourneau made a motion to approve the enrollment application for Theresa Ann LaRoche, daughter of Diane and Antoine LaRoche, Jr. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(14)

CARE OF PONIES - The chairman announced that Mr. Ed Riehle, the Extension Agent, would be here on July 23rd to work with the kids and teach them how to care for and groom their horses.

(15)

ELECTRONICS PLANT - The Chairman read a letter from Mr. Becker of the Department of the Navy, Electronics Supply Office, who visited Lower Brule and toured the plant.

(16)

REPORT ON DENVER TRIP - Mr. Orville Langdeau reported on his trip to Denver with Mr. Lavern Reinhart in regard to getting an alcoholism program on the reservation. While he was down there, he contacted Mr. Lyons at the S.B.A. regional office in regard to Raven Industries getting contracts, and his answers were very favorable in regard to reopening our factory. Mr. Langdeau also reported he had talked with Mr. Joe Exendine of the Public Health Service in regard to getting water and sewer for our houses and they possibly might get started drilling in September for the rural homes as the bids will be let in August.

(17)

SALE OF MINERAL RIGHTS - Mrs. Estes said that Mrs. Gladys Menzle had contacted her and wants to sell her mineral rights. This was tabled until Mr. Joe Brewer arrives.

(The meeting recessed for dinner which was served at St. Mary's Hall by the Extension Club.)

(18)

LAND TRANSACTIONS - The meeting was called back to order at 1:15 and Mr. Joe Brewer was called in. The chairman stated that Melburn James Sad Horse wants to sell 30 acres and trade the remaining 10 acres of his land for land west of Lower Brule. Mr. Brewer said he would have to know what ten acres he wants as exchanges are made on value, rather than acre for acre. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to get the land appraised. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Estes and carried with five for and none against.

Mrs. Estes asked about Mrs. Menzle's mineral rights. Mr. Brewer stated that the sale of her mineral rights were included in the price the Tribe gave her for the land, and that he would write and tell her of this.

A letter was read from Mr. Alex Rencountre asking to sell his land or mineral rights. Mr. Brewer said he would take care of this and check to see what he owns.

Mrs. Gourneau said that Mrs. Valda LaRoche wants to sell her land, and she made a motion to request an appraisal on the land. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

LAND TRANSACTIONS (continued) - Mr. Brewer reported that Veronica Pennington is still holding out for \$7500 for her land and she says she has an offer for that much. J. W. Thompson asked how far we are off, less than \$500? and Mr. Brewer agreed. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to buy that land. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(19)

VISIT FROM DR. WEISMAN - The chairman reported that Dr. Weisman had visited the reservation on the 25th and showed the council a newspaper clipping from an old newspaper telling of his program on the reservation almost 25 years ago.

(20)

LAND - Mr. Clarence Thompson asked Mr. Brewer about getting some land back in trust and Mr. Brewer advised him to send up the abstract and they would examine it and send it to the solicitor, and then it would be a matter of deeding it back to the United States in trust.

(21)

UNITED SIOUX TRIBES DUES - Mrs. Estes said that at the United Sioux Tribe's meeting they brought up the amounts the tribes are obligated for yearly. They felt the cash contribution made by the Lower Brule Tribe when they were first getting organized was in the form of a donation. Mr. J. W. Thompson said he thought each Tribe was assessed so much, but most Tribes didn't kick in.

(22)

LAND TRADE WITH THE ASSOCIATION - Mr. Hugh Wynia and Mr. Herrington were called into the meeting and a possible land trade was discussed and shown on a map, the trade being 880 acres for 679 acres. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to have it appraised and re-appraised and check it out for value, the land on both sides. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against. Mr. Wynia said this would take some time and he was wondering if something could be worked out for this year. A meeting was set up for Friday at 1:00 with Mr. Fay Jandreau to be present also to work this out.

(23)

INTEREST ON CATTLE LOANS - Mr. Edzards said that at the time the cattle program was set up, it was set up with interest at 3% and the standard bank rate was 4%, but now the standard rate is up to as much as 7% or 8%. He suggested that on these cattle loan modifications, or new loans, we give consideration to raising the rates, which would give a spread of only about one or two percent from the standard rates. This was discussed, and Mr. J. W. Thompson also inquired if the Treasury was still giving us only 4%. Mr. Edzards indicated yes, but there was some talk of this going up. Mr. J. W. Thompson said he thought it should, and we should keep as little as possible in the treasury and keep as much as possible in those Certificates of Deposit as they are getting as much as 7 or 7½%.

(24)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Mr. Edzards said he had a letter from the Area Office in regard to the settlement of Chalomar and he had written his recommendation that this is the best settlement that could have been made. The chairman stated they were waiting for the Crow Creek Tribe to sign the release. Mr. J. W. Thompson asked if the Tribe needed to adopt a resolution agreeing to settle as he didn't believe we ever voted on that. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution accepting the offer of \$17,500 as settlement

from Chalomar. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes. This settlement was discussed and a vote taken and the motion was defeated by a vote of two for and three against; Mrs. Estes and Mr. Orville Langdeau voting for accepting the settlement and Mr. Clarence Thompson, Mr. J. W. Thompson, and Mrs. Gourneau voting against.

(25)

TEACHERS - Mr. Edzards reported that they had a resignation from Mrs. Gottesch who is going to retire, and if this goes through, there will be a new teacher over there this fall.

(26)

COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS - Mrs. Gourneau asked if a Commissioner had been selected yet. Mr. Edzards said not yet, and that it might be quite awhile yet.

(27)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Titus came with the final building plans and said that Mr. Woody Key was back in Chicago and this should move right along now. He said that he met with Attorney Larson this morning and they were getting off the legal opinion which Chicago was requesting, so everything would be in now. He described the building, the gym and told of his plans for finishing the walls and the lighting for the gym, and said that Engineering Associates in Omaha had worked with him to resolve the footing problems in this shale soil. He stated that they did not figure into this the curb and gutter and street. Mrs. Estes said she thought it should be included right with this and the Chairman indicated his agreement with this. Mr. Titus said he would contact Mr. Fullerton on this and get a cost estimate.

(28)

INTEREST ON CATHOLIC LOANS - The chairman asked what the council wanted to do with Jerauld's loans. Clarence Thompson made a motion to go along with the four percent interest on these extensions of time and this will go for anyone who gets in this sort of situation. Mr. J. W. Thompson mentioned that we can't go back and raise the rates on those who have contracts for 3%, but this would only be on future loans. Mr. Clarence Thompson agreed with this. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that extra 1% on the \$6,000 would be only \$60. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(29)

ALL AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS - The chairman said we have a poster announcing the All American Indian Days celebration to be held at Sheraton, Wyoming on July 30th to August 3rd.

(30)

BOYS' CLUB - Mr. Orville Langdeau reported that he and Mr. Garreau had attended a meeting in Fort Thompson with the Director of the Boys' Club of America, and they are interested in starting Boys' Clubs throughout the country and want to know if the council is interested in organizing one. The chairman stated there would be a recreation committee meeting this evening at about 7:30 and this could be brought up.

(31)

LAW AND ORDER PROGRAM - The Law and Order Program had been given to the council for their review. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution for that program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(32)

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE TRIBE - Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to make Mr. Silas Black Dog an honorary member of the Tribe. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(33)

REQUEST FORD FOUNDATION GRANT - Mr. Clarence Skye explained that funds are available through Ford Foundation grants for worthwhile projects and they had tried to think of things which would benefit the reservation most and came up with three programs, a land program, a boys' home, and a guidance program. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to approach these programs and request a Ford Foundation grant. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with a vote of four for, none against, Grace Estes absent.

(34)

HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBERS - The chairman asked if the council was ready to make the selections; however, as all the old members could not be reached, this was tabled until the meeting tomorrow.

(35)

ANNUAL ROPEO - The Chairman stated that our posters were sent to be printed, and it was also mentioned that we have about five bulls which are good enough.

(36)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for, none against, Mrs. Gourneau absent.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on June 9th, 1969.

Joan Mousseau

Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JULY 10, 1969

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the afternoon of July 10th, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, with attendance as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	Charles Langdeau
Kay Gourneau	J. W. Thompson
Orville Langdeau	
Clarence Thompson	
Grace Estes	


The chairman stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of selecting members for the Housing Authority to replace those whose term is expired, Lyle Peterson, Gaylord Choal, and Richard Thompson, and to replace Leslie Langdeau whose term will expire in September and is no longer interested in serving, which would mean replacing four.

A discussion was held and Rev. Holland, Orville Langdeau, Rev. Guffin, Mike Jandreau, and Vera Gandt were suggested as members. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution naming these five people as members of the Housing Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

In regard to the term of office, the new members were to begin effective immediately with terms of office as follows:

	Expiration Date
Rev. Albert C. Holland (replacing Lyle Peterson)	9/4/73
Mike Jandreau (replacing Leslie Langdeau)	9/4/70
Vera Gandt (continuing member)	9/4/70
Orville Langdeau (replacing Richard Thompson)	9/4/71
Rev. Walter Guffin (replacing Gaylord Choal)	9/4/72

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Solter 4 yrs Chairman
L. Langdon 4 " member
Ewert 3 " Secy. Gen.
Lyle P. 2 " Vice Chairman
Richard 2 " member



Handwritten notes in a large bracketed area:
Vera
Orville 71
Suffin 72
Holland 73
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4 yrs

- * Lyle Peterson resigned Chairman Rev. Holland
 - L. Langdon - Mike Jandreau
V. Ewert
 - * Richard T. resigned Orville Langdon
 - * Errol - Rev. Suffin
- Sept 72*

Vera
Orville
Mike
Suffin
Holland. } Motion carried by
 unanimity.

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JULY 11, 1969

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on July 11th, 1969, in the afternoon, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Kay Courneau
Orville Langdeau
J. W. Thompson

Absent

Clarence Thompson
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau

Others Present

Hugh Wynia
Douglas Herrington
Fay Jandreau

Mr. Wynia: We would like to get a trade made and rent the rest of this area here until the trade is made. (a map was referred to.)

Mr. Jandreau: I was going to fence mine out. I wasn't interested any more. I was interested, but I understood they didn't want to trade and that was ok with me because I was going to fence anyway and I have made arrangements for fencing, although I don't have the time right now.

Mr. J. W. Thompson: Wouldn't this trade save you a lot of fencing expense and wouldn't getting that land now be an asset to your future operations?

Mr. Fay Jandreau: It will, but I don't have enough cattle to handle this extra land. I would have to have the cattle.

Mr. J. W. Thompson: Don't you hope to go up to the maximum? If you don't get it now, the land may not be there later when you need it.

Mr. Herrington: He showed a map and explained the plan for land use for this year.

Mr. Wynia: I can see an asset to Fay for this year. He will have a lot more water by trading land use for this year. If he fences out, there would be just the creek on the one side.

This would provide him 700 acres for this year. He has 254 units and could go up to 300. They won't trade unless the Tribe will lease them the rest of that land. So the question is, does Fay want to go along with the trade and will the Tribe lease them the rest of the land.

Fay: I will be trading 10 more acres than I will be getting. Mr. Herrington: 709 to 720 acres.

Mr. Andrew Estes: Will they take all that that is left on the east side of the reservation line?

Mr. Herrington: On the east end there is no change.

Mr. Wynia: If you trade land use, it will put a fence through here (and he pointed this out on the map). There is one 80 over on the west where the corrals are, 2 quarters submarginal and tribal in 36 and 2 quarters in 4 and 3 on the east end. That is what I was going to lease and then trade a quarter to Jiggs so that there would be only a quarter and an 80 to rent.

Mr. Herrington: In Section 30 there are 279 acres. In section 25 I don't remember. As I figured it out, there are about 15 acres that Fay will have to rent that he won't get back. I thought that was close enough. If the tribe is willing to make the trade and lease that quarter that is left, those questions are remaining.

Mr. J. W. Thompson: I would have to lease a quarter it looks like. ok.

Mrs. Kay Gourneau: This is not a permanent thing. Just for this year.

Mr. Herrington: Yes, just for this year

Herrington:
Mr. Wynia: Then we will have to lease just a quarter and 80. /They will end up with 3 quarters and an 80 of allotted land

Mr. Wynia: We would like to have an understanding about this, about renting this submarginal quarter west of the buildings, on top of the hill. If we trade, we will own everything around it. There is a fence through the middle of it.

There is a fence on the west but not on the east, south or north. It is too rough for cutting. There is an old set of corrals in there and a little patch fenced off used for the home.

Mr. Wynia indicated he would be willing to sell his place, which is 1300 acres deceded and he rents 600, so there is about 2,000 acres involved.

J. W. Thompson made a motion to lease the land to the association and to make the trade out and go along with this lease proposal. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for, none against.

Fencing was discussed and there is two miles to be put in. J. W. Thompson said he would start right away and Mr. Wynia said he would also. Andrew Estes also mentioned the artesian well in Buster's corner, and said it could be fixed up to run three ways, and would provide water for Hugh, Brown and Buster.

HOMESITES - J. W. Thompson made a motion to request that the road department put in approaches on the sites for those moving on a homesite along the road. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with three for, none against.

ADJOURNMENT - Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on July 11, 1969.

Joan Housseau
Joan Housseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
BID OPENING MEETING
LOWER BRULE HOUSING AUTHORITY
JULY 17, 1969

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Orville Langdeau, with the following people present:

Board members present
Orville Langdeau, Chairman
Vera Gandt
Rev. Walter Guffin
Mike Jandreau

(Member absent - Rev. Albert Holland)

Former board members present
Lyle Peterson
Richard Thompson (arrv. 2:00)

Bidders present-
Orville
Mr./Hemmingson, Buckingham Wood Products

Mr. Gilbert McTighe, of McTighe, Inc.
P.O. Box 928, Mitchell, S. D. 57301

Others Present
George Tlustos, B.L.A. Housing Officer
Margaret Fletcher, Executive Director
Evert Fletcher, Authority Maintenance
Jerauld Jandreau, Turn-Key Participant

Mr. Clark Dailey, Redwood Products, Inc.
(and his helper)

The chairman announced that this meeting was called for the purpose of discussing bids for the housing project, and he turned the meeting over to Mr. George Tlustos.

Mr. Tlustos said he didn't think there would be any harm in bringing this up with the bidders present; there has been a question as to the action of the Tribe in the appointment of new members to the Board and the question comes under the Tribal Ordinance LB-63-C, under Section VII Miscellaneous, Item 2 concerning conflict of interest, and this section was read. There was a question as to whether Orville and Mike would be in violation as they are selected as participants in this turn-key housing project. The new board was appointed effective immediately, and without these two members there would be no chance of a quorum as Rev. Holland is in Rapid City and there is no chance of his being here. So it was questioned as to whether to go ahead with the bid opening. At this point the meeting recessed to try to resolve this question and a telephone call was placed to Chicago, Department of Housing and Urban Development, to try to resolve this question.

The call was placed to Chicago and as Mr. Miller and Mr. Barber were out and could not be reached, the call was referred to the legal department, Mr. Richard Flando (or Flavo?). After the phone call, the meeting was called back to order and Mr. Tlustos said that he had explained the problem to Mr. Flando, that two people were selected as participants some time ago, and in the meantime, those fellows were appointed to the Housing Authority Board.

The reason we need an answer immediately is because we have three developers sitting here with bids in hand, which were to be opened at 1:00 today, and our question was as to the conflict of interest. Mr. Flamb replied that if they were involved in any way in the construction of the houses, he knew there would be a conflict, but as to their being a participant, he didn't know for sure and would have to check this, but he was just on his way to another meeting and didn't have time right now to check this but would advise about this tomorrow. But his advice was to go ahead with the meeting, and if there were any conflict of interest, the damage would have already been done anyway at the time they accepted the appointment. However, he felt personally that being a participant is not the main intent of the conflict cause; the main intent is profiting from the construction of it, as long as they were not involved in the board which selected them as participants. (Richard Thompson arrive

Therefore, it was agreed to go ahead with the meeting, and the bidders drew to determine who would make the first presentation, which drawing resulted in Mr. McTighe going first, Mr. Dailey second, and Mr. Hemmingson third, with each bidder allowed 30 minutes.

McTIGHE INC. PROPOSAL

Mr. Gilbert McTighe introduced himself and said his architect is George Clayton from Grand Island, Minnesota. These structures are two, three and four bedroom and are designed to be put on a crawl space rather than a basement, and each one has a porch or patio or inclosure, which can be screened in or glassed in porch. He outlined the floor plan, which was very similar to the mutual help house. The four bedroom house had an extra half-bath room and storage room, one large bedroom and three smaller bedrooms. In the town of Lower Brule, the sites are to be landscaped with driveways, clothes drying areas, sidewalk in front, and two walks to the driveway. Mr. Tlustos asked about construction. Mr. McTighe said the house would be completely assembled and brought to the townsite on two trucks, and would be done with three houses per week. They would plan to have them constructed by winter and have been informed that Public Health plans to have the water ready by winter.

He then went on to the three bedroom home. The four bedroom home had a total of 1080 square feet; 900 square feet for the three-bedroom. The three bedroom home had a 182 sq. ft. living room and was similar to the mutual home floor plan except that there was a divider wall between the kitchen and living room.

The two bedroom home had the porch on one end of the house instead of on the front with a flat roof over the porch.

In figuring the landscaping on the country homes, they included figuring sodding the 2½ acres. It would have to be decided on whether you want that much area sodded; if not, there would be a considerable deduction.

In the spring of next year they hope to have the water in for the country homes. The streets are to be blacktopped. He also described the community building addition.

The interior are Tetarcota paneling and siding; vinyl fluoride coating. Exteriors are finished with a variety of eight to ten different colors, with the bottom siding different from the top. Some they treat with a brick design. The roof could be changed by the color. The roof pitch is 4 to 1; (same as 3-12 pitch) 240 lb shingles. The heating is forced warm air, reverse flow system, with the heating system under the house so the crawl space is warm with radiant heat; using J.P gas and tanks in accordance with specifications.

Mr. Tlustos asked what wood? He replied fir; there would be a chance of hemlock. Newwood sheeting inside. He said the design is flexible enough so that they could be changed if we have any suggestions or ideas. The purpose of the proposal is to give an idea of what they can give us and about what the approximate cost would be. Then the price must be within the two prices that we secure through private estimators who are figuring along with us and it takes about two months to do the work. He said he would provide funds for the estimators and they would report directly to us. He said the quality of these homes is better in almost every instance than the property standards outlined in the manual. All the houses are locked with a master keying system so that the executive director would have access to all the homes at any time (that is the low rent units.). They also discussed reinforced, poured foundations and footings, so it would set on an arc and pier 4 ft. down. The homes will be built in Rapid City and hauled out. They will be Master Craft Homes, by Knecht Industries. Evert Fletcher mentioned trucking and Mr. McTighe said they are built on 1/16" tolerances and this must be maintained. The main beam would be steel and there would be 4, 2 x 10" beams on this steel beam. It is all trussed roof, with gismo gussets. He said he did appreciate our time, and he would appreciate it if his proposal and sheets would be kept for our own use and no one else's.

DAILEY REDWOOD PRODUCTS, INC. PROPOSAL

Mr. Dailey reviewed the blue print with the board and showed maps of the site area and landscaping, trees and grass. He showed the plan for the addition to the management area, which is concrete slab on grade, to match what we have. The following page showed some of their ideas on different exterior views which can be developed from the type of construction they have. The proposal is presented on this type of house. There was one with a log-cabin type effect, and most were pictured with shutter trim around the windows.

He showed the floor plan on the four-bedroom home, which was similar to the mutual help house but reversed with the living room on the opposite end. He said the local people could do this type of construction. He showed the plan on the three bedroom home, which was four feet shorter than the mutual help house. Mr. Dailey advised that they had cut the house down four feet because the suggestion was to make it less than the maximum size; however, they could put it back up, and this could be worked out when they went in to Chicago. He showed the foundation plans, which are precast footing and foundation walls. All the exterior is redwood. In some of their houses they have the wall 2" thick with 2 x 8 redwood which lock together, so they have a solid wall. The strength of the building is far more than it needs to be.

They use styrofoam, 1 1/2", and glue foam in sheet form for insulation, which also adds more strength. The colder it gets, the more it insulates; a Dow-Chemical Company product. All of the interior walls will be panelling, with Armstrong ceiling tile. The insulation on the ceiling will be spun glass blown in. He showed pictures of some of his homes. The cupboards will be Rosebud cupboards. He stated they will provide variation between the houses and there will be none just the same right together. He said he would hire the Indian people, and two-thirds of the people he hires are Indian people.

He said the heating is with I.P gas and forced air. There is an alternate on hot water radiant heat if H.U.D. will go along with it. It is about as fool-proof as any piece of equipment can be, and won't need the care that a forced air furnace does, and it is cheaper to heat with hot water.

Mr. Dailey said they would want this to look different from any project they have ever done and they could make it look just about any way we would like. He said they would use our local help. He said they have a durable, long-life building and use redwood. Mr. Fletcher asked if he had trouble getting redwood and Mr. Dailey said no, and that redwood prices have gone up about 30% but other lumbers have jumped over 100%, and with other lumber they have trouble getting cuffed lumber.

BUCKINGHAM WOOD PRODUCTS, INC. PROPOSAL

Mr. Hemmingson said the streets are figured at 8" base course. Sidewalks are included. They have a typical plan for the scattered sites. Garbage can racks, and clothes drying on Turn-Key 3 are included, with a large tank for the low rent units. He said he figured grading and lawn seed. On scattered sites, for the area around the home that they would disrupt in the digging, and drainage, they will take care of whatever they tear up, but it is difficult to figure. On the maintenance and management building, they might have to shift the plan somewhat, and he outlined this.

He showed the plans for the homes; the roof in front on one was gabled, also on the two bedroom. Mr. Fletcher asked if this would be an option and Mr. Hemmingson said this was a part of the bid, on the various elevations. On the four bedrooms, most of them are on the scattered sites. The homes are 1/2" gypsum sideboards, with poured concrete footings, and they have full thick insulation, ceiling and walls. He said he has done one thing we might as well know. He has gone back to single plywood 5/8" floor, similar to our mutual help houses. On another project, they requested a change to double thick, and this amounted to \$150 per unit, which does give a better floor. This type of changes can be made and Chicago will go along with them. You have to start somewhere, and we started here. They heat the crawl space and close the vents in the winter. There is a pipe with vents in the floor. There is a storage area in the rear, and space for a washer and dryer.

On the three bedroom home, he stayed with the Littleton room arrangement. This home, without the storage room, is 922 square feet, and you gain storage room and a mud room at very little cost. They took the porch off and put on concrete stoops. On the four bedroom, they went to a split foyer type home, with storage in the basement. They have a half-bath in it. This is about the only way Chicago will buy a basement, on a four bedroom with half or more with living quarters, they will buy it. It does stick up enough, with full size windows, similar to Fort Thompson's homes, and also the Episcopal Church house. He said they still furnish bridging on the floor; it is no longer required, but they still do it as a good building practice.

He included a sales brochure of the types of housing they are doing on the open market, and gave examples of projects they are doing in Rapid City, Brookings and Vermillion, which they have done. He said his bid on this is \$616,080. Hengel, Assoc., were architects. Shades and drapes for the living and dining room on the low rent units were included (and refrigerators and stoves.) On the furniture for the maintenance building, this might cost more depending on what we need, and adjustments will have to be made. Test borings only for the townsite. Mr. Hemmingson said the completion schedule will have to be flexible, not only because of the housing authority, Public Health, weather conditions, and others they cannot control. It would look like they would complete the scattered sites in the spring, and turn-Key III first. He thought they could start this September if they have cooperation. They would do the scattered ones first, and also want to do the foundations in town, so if they can't get out.

In this sandy loam soil, or shale, they have foundation, poured walls, 4" gravel fill. 2 x 8" floor joists; sheathing on walls; it would be up to the board on the floor, \$150 additional per unit difference in single sheathing. On the siding, they are using x-90 masonite hardboard, which is more durable than your mutual help, with 11" exposure. Double hung windows, storms removable from the inside for cleaning; two coats plus primer paint on the outside; natural finish woodwork, which is more attractive than paint, for doors, woodwork base and trim, with natural finish. Ranges and refrigerators included, and there could be an option on electric or gas stoves, with warranty for one year. Water heaters for full five-year warranty; furnaces for one year, ten years on the heat exchanger, counter-flow gas furnace. They will furnish the Rosebud cabinets as requested, with no change in price. On pavement, 2½" asphalt and 8" base course, per our invitation.

Mr. Hemmingson gave a brief history of his company and said they are familiar with H.U.D. regulations and are working on a turn-key contract in North Dakota which will be done in August or September. They would figure using an accelerated Turn-Key III program here; the only difference between this and a regular program is it saves one or two trips to Chicago and the developer takes more of a risk; it eliminates the second letter of intent.

The wall sections are made up in Rapid City and the roof trusses are trucked out and assembled here. When shipped out, the walls and windows are in place. From there on out, it is conventional; studs are open for the electrician and plumbing. It is insulated and sheetrocked. They will subcontract everything locally that they possibly can and they want local bids on all phases of it.

We are coming into winter, which is a difficult time to build, so we want to get as much done before it gets real bad as we can, and get the foundations in rapidly. Brick veneer is used for the maintenance building.

Mr. Hemmingson left and Mr. Tlustos suggested we see if we could reach a decision today. Rev. Guffin inquired as to how we were supposed to select a bidder and Mr. Tlustos read the manual about how to select the best bidder and points each proposal should be evaluated on: 1) Construction design and costs; 2) the credentials of the developer, which is no problem here; 3) disclosure of interest, which is also no problem. If you do not accept the lowest bidder, you justify why you choose something else.

The housing authority members reviewed the plans and specifications as submitted by the three developers and informally discussed the strong and weak points of the houses.

The Dailey house is completely panelled on the interior with armstrong tile on the ceiling. It was mentioned, though the cost of panelling is a little higher, there is not much difference when you consider the cost of finishing and painting sheetrock. The board members slightly preferred sheet rock as they thought through the years panelling for the entire house might be tiresome, and although they like panelling for maybe one or two walls, for the entire house it is too much, and although it is durable and easily washable which is good, if it is damaged it would be more difficult to repair as the whole panel would have to be replaced, whereas sheet rock can be patched and the damage concealed.

The entrance on the Buckingham house isn't too good as there is no front porch; however, everyone liked the mud room or storage room on the back.

Mr. McTighe is the highest bidder; he has inlayed linoleum on the floors instead of vinyl tile.

Buckingham is the lowest bidder; on the two and three bedroom of Buckingham, we might check and see what an entry would cost. The interior arrangements can be changed.

Mrs. Marge Fletcher said that we also need a motion to have Mr. Reiger, who is the accountant for Public Housing, be the accountant for the Mutual Housing also. Mrs. Vera Gandt made a motion to have Mr. Reiger do that. The motion was seconded and carried with a vote of four for, none opposing and none not voting.

Mr. Hemmingson, from Buckingham was called back in and Mr. Tlustos said that one of the questions being asked is the treatment of the front doorway, no shelter of any kind. The present plans have a 2' overhang around the entire house, and on the front, the gable adds another 2 or 3 feet and the stoop is 4 by 5 feet. How about maybe increasing the overhang, or increasing the stoop? Mr. Hemmingson said if you are talking about a pitched type roof, that would be about \$1.50 per foot, plus the slab, maybe it would be about \$150 per house, or you could go back to the wood porch. The slab might be better as it would be less maintenance. I think we could increase the stoop and put a roof over it for \$150 per house, and that could be altered with some pitched and some overhang. That would include concrete

and the roof, for a total figure of \$150. Mr. Hemmingson thought this increase could be justified on the basis of snow and ice.

Mr. Hemmingson was excused and the group discussed this. It was brought out that the low bid included stoves and refrigerators, which it should not have included, at about \$300 per house, including the drapes. This could be taken out and the porch and extra plywood on the floor could be substituted at no change in price.

Rev. Guffin asked how the committee feels about the design? Mr. Orville Langdeau stated he didn't care for the fully panelled house. The price difference is about 19,000 or 20,000 difference. They all must meet specifications on insulation.

Mr. Orville Langdeau asked if anyone wanted to make a motion to accept one of these contractors. Mr. Mike Jandreau made a motion to make Buckingham the contractor. The motion was seconded by Rev. Guffin and carried with all in favor, four for, none opposed, none not voting.

The three bidders were called back in and they all came in. Mr. Orville Langdeau announced that the contractor that had the lowest bid was Buckingham. The bids in rounded figures were

616,000	Buckingham
637,000	Daileys
782,000	McTighe

We picked Buckingham because it was considerably lower.


Mr. Hemmingson asked if Chicago had given any indication as to how long it will take for their concurrence. Mr. Trustos replied no, they haven't. This is vacation time and you never know when you can get them to act.

Rev. Guffin asked about hiring, and Mr. Hemmingson said they would hire local labor as much as possible. They will be subcontracting whenever possible, and where we can't find a specific talent, they will bring a man up.

Mrs. Vera Gandt moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Rev. Guffin and carried with four for, none opposed.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Lower Brule Housing Authority meeting held on July 17, 1969.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
JULY 23, 1969

A special Credit Committee meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on Wednesday afternoon, July 23, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Charles Langdeau, with roll call as follows:

Present
Charles Langdeau
Clarence Thompson
J. W. Thompson
Orville Langdeau

Others Present
Fay Jandreau
George McKay

Jerauld Jandreau

Fay Jandreau - Fay said that, "I kept those cattle and last year when I made this deal, I said that I would make a double payment out of these calves and I can't do it. I kept 40 head to use as replacements and I sold 50. What I want to do is make my payment from last year and use the rest for expenses and I want to make my this year's payment from this year's calves and I will still have 80 calves. Mr. McKay said roughly, he lacks \$400 to make his double payment. Fay stated he would make it anyway, but it won't be out of these yearlings. I will make one payment out of these yearlings and one payment out of my calf crop.

J. W. Thompson said it was immaterial to him how he was going to make it. Clarence Thompson said he would make a motion to go along with Fay's payment schedule. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against. The market and cattle prices were discussed and Fay left, to see Joyce and make his payment.

Jerauld Jandreau and Interest on Livestock Loans - Mr. McKay came in to clarify what was the intent of the council concerning the modification of Jerauld's loan and whether the four percent interest would apply to only the \$6,000, or to the loan modification for the entire amount, and he read the minutes of the July 9th meeting and the resolution, and the letter from Mr. Edzards concerning this. Jerauld came in and this was discussed with him and the committee felt that the resolution would apply with four percent on the modified loan, and the date this four percent would begin was discussed. J. W. Thompson made a motion that the four percent would apply beginning 5/4/69 (the date of approval of the loan modification) on the \$31,148.45 and the additional funds in the amount of \$6,000 will draw interest at four percent when the money has been advanced. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

Orville Langdeau asked about those who come in and pay just the interest, that is a modification. The other loans were discussed and most are earning four or five percent interest, except those under the livestock program. J. W. Thompson made a motion to raise the interest on Buster's loan to four percent. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 23, 1969

Jerauld Jandreau said the reason he came in was he was wondering whether the steel bin on the Larson Place is surplus to the Tribe's needs as he needs a place to store his grain. This was discussed and Jerauld offered \$125.00 for it. J. W. Thompson made a motion to take his offer providing Buster isn't using it. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

Adjournment - Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

Joan Mousseau
/ Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
 AUGUST 6, 1969

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 6, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on August 6, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:15 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Kay Gourneau made a motion to correct the minutes of the July 9th meeting, item 11, Jerauld Jandreau sold only 4 cows instead of 54, and to approve the minutes with this correction. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The general counsel invoice in the amount of \$109.01 for the month from June 17th through July 16th was circulated to the council for their review. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's invoice. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for, none against.

(3)

ENROLLMENT - Enrollment applications were received for Christina Brooks, daughter of Georgia Ann Estes Brooks and Charles Brooks, and for Monty Vincent Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Vincent Kennedy. Charles Langdeau moved to approve these two enrollments. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(4)

REQUEST FOR HOMESITE - A letter was read from Mrs. Helen Smith requesting a homesite and a map of the site was referred to. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve Mrs. Helen Smith's request for five acres. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(5)

REQUEST FOR HOME - A letter was read from Ethel Bad Hand requesting Kaspap Hall and permission to move it to her homesite. This was discussed by the council and Clarence Thompson made a motion to leave it as it is and keep it for further Tribal use. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(6)

HUNTING REGULATIONS - Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to leave the hunting regulations as they were last year, except to not allow bow and arrow deer hunting for non-Indians, and to transplant some antelope this year from Little Bend to other parts of the reservation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

THANK YOU FROM THE HUDSON FAMILY - Mrs. Alvena Hudson thanked the chairman, the council, and through the minutes wanted to thank everyone who did so much and were so much help to them in putting the fire out in their home even before the fire trucks arrived. They saved the front room furniture and it was really wonderful the way everyone worked so well and did so much. For herself and on behalf of her family she thanked everyone for the donations, in helping with the kids, finding them a place to stay and in everything everyone did to help.

(8)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - A group of high school and college educational grant applications for the coming school year were reviewed by the council. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve these grants. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(9)

RAVEN INDUSTRIES - The Chairman reported on his trip to Washington where he and Mr. Swenson met with officials of the Small Business Administration and Raven Industries and they met with Senator McGovern and toured the pentagon. Raven is waiting for a contract the 6th of this month. The Chairman also told of their stop in Chicago where they stopped at the Navy Procurement Office. So everything is working slow, but to our advantage.

(10)

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM - Mr. J. W. Thompson brought up the food stamp program and said that many counties have taken on assistance through this and are doing away with commodities. This was discussed and tabled until Mr. Risinger arrives

(11)

TURN-KEY HOUSING PROJECT - Mr. Orville Langdeau reported on his trip to Chicago and actually the intent of the trip was to speed things up and get some houses built before winter. H.U.D. recommended a few minor changes in the homes and there will be another conference where Mr. Hemmingson, from Buckingham, and Mr. Trustos plan to go back with the corrections. Water and sewer for the scattered sites was also mentioned, and this will be funded by H.U.D. but Public Health would do the actual work of inspecting, testing and installation.

(12)

COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE POSITION - A letter from Mrs. Velma Langdeau was read giving notice that she is resigning her position of C.H.R. and a notice of four weeks was given to find a replacement. Mrs. Estes asked if any action had been taken for a replacement and Mrs. Gourneau stated there are some applications for this but she would rather wait until this afternoon to take this up.

(13)

4-H CLUB WEEK - A letter was read from the 4-H delegates thanking the council for sending them as delegates to the 4-H Club Week.

(14)

INDIAN EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE - A letter was read from the State Department of Public Instruction asking that the tribal council select an individual to represent the tribe on the Indian Education Advisory Committee. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion that Mrs. Kay Gourneau represent Lower Brule. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against, Kay not voting. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that Mrs. Grace Estes serve as alternate. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, Grace not voting.

(15)

REQUEST FOR LAND EXCHANGE - Mrs. Sally Durkin said that she noticed there was a resolution that the Tribe buy all the Durkin land and she said she would rather exchange than sell so that she could exchange for the Tribal land where their buildings are. The chairman suggested this be tabled until Joe Brewer arrives.

(16)

REIMBURSEMENT FOR INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCES - Mr. Clarence Skye said he had copies of our correspondence requesting reimbursement for the last two industrial development conferences held in New York and Chicago. Mrs. Estes stated that we were reluctant to go but we had been given the impression that our expenses would be paid. Mr. Quitta had replied to our request that funds were not available from I.C.A.P. but this would have to come from our local CAP fund. Mr. Skye stated he would reimburse for this.

(17)

BOY'S HOME, LAND PURCHASE PROGRAM, CAP DIRECTOR'S SALARY - Mr. Skye informed the council of his progress in writing up these programs, and also informed the council of the Lower Brule in-kind share on the CAP Director's salary.

(The meeting recessed for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

(18)

O.E.O. PERSONNEL - The chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:15 p.m. and Mr. Skye introduced the O.E.O. personnel who were hired by the personnel selection committee. Mr. LaBelle was hired to be the Industrial Development Officer, and he informed the council of an irrigation tour which would be next week in Idaho if anyone was interested in going on this tour. For General Services we have Joe Blacksmith and they will be glad to assist in any way they can with any of our problems. Mr. L. P. McBride is the Community Aid Leader. Donald Isburg is the Housing Specialist in charge of the Home Repair Program. Mr. Niles Brings is the Head Start Director and Mr. Fred Pati is the social worker.

(19)

4-H CAMP WEEK - Mrs. Marle Langdeau thanked the Tribe for paying the way down to the Camp. She said they took twenty-six kids and their behavior was outstanding and something that we should be proud of.

(20)

ANNUAL FAIR - Mrs. Langdeau said that some of the people from Fort Thompson had wanted to know if it would be all right for the two reservations to exchange exhibits, that they would like to display their exhibits over here and would like to have us display for their fair over there. The council agreed to this proposal.

(21)

DURKIN LAND - Sally Durkin explained to Joe Brewer the land she wanted which would include their buildings. Joe Brewer said it would be easier to sell and use the money to buy the Tribal land rather than to exchange and Mrs. Durkin said she would be willing to do this. Kay Gourneau made a motion to grant Mrs. Durkin's request. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(22)

OPERATION OF CAFE DURING FAIR - Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to grant Mrs. Grace Estes' request to run the cafe during the fair. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(23)

REQUEST FOR LAND SALE AND HOMESITE - A letter was read from Minerva Chasing Horse asking to sell her land and buy five acres for a homesite. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to buy her land and to give her a long term lease on five acres according to our homesite lease procedure. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent.

(24)

LAND TRADE WITH GRAZING ASSOCIATION - A letter from the Superintendent and a map showing the proposed land trade was reviewed by the Council. Mr. Joe Brewer said there was nothing more the council could do on this until the Association comes forward and says whether they will agree to the trade.

(25)

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM - Mr. Risinger was called in to give the council an idea of how the food stamp program works. Mr. Risinger explained that this program is for low-income families and a person buys food stamps and gets some free, and that the amount you get free depends on income and size of the family. A family of four, for example, must buy \$52 worth of stamps and then they would be eligible to receive \$32 worth free. As far as the tribe is concerned, there is quite an expense in administering the commodity program that you don't have with food stamps. The only problem will be with people who don't administer their funds right and will not buy the stamps. However, the council also thought there were people who don't make proper use of commodities either. Mr. Risinger agreed to contact Mr. Wilkerson and arrange a meeting with him and the council to discuss this further.

(26)

LIVESTOCK LOAN PROGRAM - Mr. McKay suggested an amendment to our livestock loan program; however, after some discussion, it was agreed that no amendment would be necessary as the rehab funds administered under this program are exhausted and any loan modifications now come from the general fund.

(27)

EMERGENCY WELFARE ASSISTANCE - In regard to Annie Flute's request, J. W. Thompson made a motion to let her have \$25.00 from the emergency fund. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(28)

ROAD WORK - Mr. Edzards introduced Mr. Jerry Stoick, who is the new road engineer, and they reviewed with the council the ten-point plan of work for roads to be worked on this year. He said the bid had been let on the end of the Counselor Creek Road and that Johnson Brothers out of Fort Pierre got the contract. Jerauld Jandreau was in and stated that the road plans call for an underpass for his cattle; however, the new road will cut his cattle off from water and he would rather have a dam if he couldn't have both. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to go along with whatever Jerauld wants and can work out with them. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(29)

C.H.R. AMBULANCE - Mr. Lavern Reinhart said that money was budgeted and he had been pricing station wagons for trading in the tribal car on a station wagon to be used for an ambulance. J. W. Thompson made a motion to go ahead and buy the station wagon. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for, none against, Kay Gourneau absent.

(30)

APPOINTMENT OF C.H.R. - Before taking any action on appointing someone, the Chairman suggested we first act on the resignation. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to accept the resignation of Mrs. Velma Langdeau. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. A vote was taken by secret ballot on the applicants for the position which vote resulted in Clarence Wilson's appointment.

(31)

MUTUAL-HELP HOUSES - Mr. Evert Fletcher said this program was set up for twenty mutual-help houses; however, we lacked participants so four houses were placed in low rent. In order to get these out of low rent, he suggested the Tribe could enter into an agreement with a person whereby they would pay the Tribe so much a month to buy hours and the Tribe could certify them as a participant so that at the end of ten years the home could go into ownership.

(32)

LAND TRADE WITH GRAZING ASSOCIATION - Mr. Wynia said they had received a copy of the proposed land trade and the association has approved it but they wanted some kind of an agreement on that submarginal quarter, that they would have first chance to rent it. Mr. Joe Brewer said it is not likely to be used by anyone else, but to make it a part of the agreement would be contrary to policy. Mr. Wynia said as a matter of formality F.H.A. will have to appraise the land.

(33)

REQUEST FOR LEASE - Mr. Brewer said that Mr. Berwyn Svoboda wants a lease on the southwest corner of Section 34 and wants to cut hay, and it is alkali. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to lease it to him for \$2.00 an acre for the whole 160 acres. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent.

(34)

LAND SALE RENT ADJUSTMENT - Mr. Joe Brewer said that Mr. Noah Grassrope has been thinking he was getting gyped on his land exchange, so he did check it from the beginning to the end and he found that Noah was shorted \$74.70 on the rent adjustment. Charles Langdeau made a motion to refund this \$74.70 to Noah Grassrope. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(35)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT - The general counsel contract for the firm of Larson and Bubak as prepared by the Aberdeen Office to include certain provisions required in contracts requiring Bureau approval was circulated to the council for their review. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(36)

REQUEST FOR HOMESITE - Mrs. Kay Gourneau requested a five-acre homesite, which is tribal land in the rodeo pasture. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to grant Mrs. Gourneau the five-acre homesite. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(37)

APPROVE CREDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES - J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Credit Committee meeting held on July 23, 1969. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(38)


TAPE RECORDER & AMPLIFIER - Mr. Keith Johnson had a stereo tape recorder, turn table, amplifier and speakers which he wanted to sell to the Tribe for \$600. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to buy this equipment; however the motion died for lack of a second.

(39)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Clarence Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on August 6th, 1969.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 15, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on August 15th, 1969, and was called to order by the Vice-Chairman, Clarence Thompson Sr., at 10:45 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Grace Estes
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau

Absent

Andrew Estes, Chairman
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau

Others Present

Mr. John W. Larson, Attorney-at-Law
Mr. Edward Edzards, Superintendent
Mr. Floyd Wilkerson, Public Assistance
Supervisor (11:30)

(1)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - The Acting Chairman, Mr. Clarence Thompson, turned the meeting over to Attorney Larson and the Chalomar settlement was discussed. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council adopt a resolution to accept the settlement of \$17,500 and to ratify the Agreement of Settlement made May 19, 1969, provided the property is not released until the money is paid. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for, none against, the Chairman not voting.

(2)

T.W.E.T.P. PROGRAM - Mr. Edzards said that the welfare work training program expired June 30th and if the council is interested in having this again, a resolution is needed to renegotiate this contract or extend it. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to continue this work program for F.Y. 1970 and to request the amount for this program be raised to \$25,000. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution to request reimbursement from the B.I.A. for \$3,151.51 which is the amount expended by the Tribe over and above the amount allowed on the T.W.E.T.P. contract for F.Y. 1969. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with three for and none against.

(3)

REQUEST FOR APPRAISAL - A letter was read from Irene Flute asking to sell her land to the Tribe. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an appraisal on the land. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

(4)

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM - Mr. Wilkerson from the State Department of Public Assistance explained the food stamp program. He gave the council copies of leaflets describing the program and a booklet showing the eligibility standards on which coupons are issued, the income tables, size of family, and bonus coupons received. He said that a cashier would be hired to sell the food

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coupons and they could be redeemed for food at any store within the county. Each family is given an identification card which must be carried when buying food coupons and also when you buy food with the coupons. He stated that if Lower Brule wanted this program, he would need a resolution to that effect which he would take to the Lyman County Commissioners for their action and it would take at least two months to get it processed through Washington. The council stated they would like to get the feeling of the people on this program and Mr. Wlikerson said he would be available to come down again if a further meeting with the people was needed.

(5)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Several applications for educational grants were received and approved by Mr. Mackey. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to pass these educational grants. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

(6)

ENROLLMENT - An enrollment application was received for Lonna Darlene Estes, daughter of Frank and Joann Estes. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to enroll this child. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

(7)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT - Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt the general counsel contract excluding Attorney Bubak as he is no longer with the firm. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

(8)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on August 15, 1969.

Joan Mousseau

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 2, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on September 2, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:45 a.m., with members present as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman	
Mrs. Grace Estes	Mr. C. J. Hedlund and
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mr. Ralph T. Schlaefle
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	(Representatives of I.B.M. Corp.)
	Mr. Roy LaBelle
	Mr. Clarence Skye
	Mr. Carl Smith
	Mr. James Swenson

Mr. LaBelle introduced Mr. Hedlund. Mr. Hedlund said that on his previous visit he had come to interview employees to train outside the reservation to repair various office machines. He had also toured the plant and became interested in its possibility under the IBM equal opportunity programs going across the country.


Mr. Hedlund gave the council some background information on the I.B.M. employment policies, that they have over one-quarter million employees with offices in 105 countries and the United States. They deal exclusively in office machines & data processing. They have had no lay-offs of employees since 1920 and have only one-half of one percent turnover. He said they are a company which tries to treat people as individuals and have a lot of advantages for employees, 100% hospitalization, overtime pay, vacation pay. They screen people more thoroughly and try to assist in the first year of getting people started. There is also a stock purchase plan for employees. He gave the locations of plants in the United States and also told of their plant at Rosebud and the Bedford Stiverson plant built in the ghetto in New York City. He said that IBM was well pleased with the plant at Rosebud and that the quality control was as good as in any plant they have. The plant in New York is also successful in that it is profitable in the first year of operation.

He said the type of work he had in mind for Lower Brule would be mechanical and electrical and they could provide training, and were looking for people with mechanical background. The training would probably be in either Sioux Falls or Sioux City and a person would go on salary at the time he left for training and would also receive a per diem allowance to cover room and board expenses.

For Lower Brule he was thinking in terms of a center for repairing and reconditioning machines. At present this work is being done in New York primarily, and some is being done in the regional sales offices. If this plan falls through, he was thinking of an alternative plan of an assembly type operation for assembling new equipment.

He said he was not in a position today to make any commitments for the company but was here primarily to do the groundwork and determine the potential employment of the area. Mr. LaBelle said also they would be eligible for a Training allowance. Mr. Hedlund replied this would probably not be a determining factor, as they would probably be more interested in getting the job done. Mr. LaBelle asked if he were interested in knowing the utility charges, etc. Mr. Hedlund said yes, and that the overhead probably would be a determining factor, and they would like to know the electricity, water, rent, etc.

The meeting adjourned for lunch and then a tour was made of the plant.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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 REGULAR MEETING
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
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REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on September 3, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:20 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting, and special meeting on August 15th. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's Invoice for the period of July 17th through August 16th. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve the applications for educational grants. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(4)

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we draw up a list of the recipients and take a house to house survey and ask if they would rather have food stamps or commodities. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Orville Langdeau absent.

(5)

REQUEST TO RENT HOUSE - A letter was read from Mr. Harry Bad Horse asking to rent Kaspapi House. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we table this request until Jerry has investigated the possibility of getting an apartment in our housing units in town and until the council can check this building out to see what condition it is in. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, Mr. Orville Langdeau absent.

(6)

REQUEST FOR LOAN - A request for a loan was read from Mr. Melvin Bad Horse. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to inform him of our policy on loans and to refer him to Mrs. Boub. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for, none against, Orville Langdeau absent.

(7)

COMING MEETINGS - The Chairman announced that there would be a meeting of the State Commission on Indian Affairs in Pierre this Friday at 9:30 a.m. On September 10th through 12th there will be a Law and Order meeting in Custer South Dakota which he, Mrs. Gourneau, and the two judges plan to attend.

(8)

APPOINT VOTING DELEGATES TO N.C.A.I. CONVENTION - Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, be appointed as the delegate, that Mr. J. W. Thompson be the first alternate, Mrs. Grace Estes the second alternate, and that any one of the remaining four councilmen will also be alternates in the event the voting delegates cannot attend. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(9)

COMING MEETINGS - The Chairman announced that there would be an Economic Development meeting in Minneapolis on September 18th. There will also be a meeting in Portland, Oregon of the Three Affiliated Tribes, in which Indian water rights be will reviewed, and the Chairman plans to attend.

(10)

NATIONAL CLEAN-UP CONTEST - The National Clean-Up Contest was discussed and Mr. Orville Langdeau suggested we contact Mr. Herrington or Mr. Carl Smith to see if any aerial photos of Lower Brule are available.

(11)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Orville Langdeau reported he had just received a call from the developer on this housing and they want to go to Chicago tomorrow and meet and if everything is cleared up on the specifications, he should start building in October.

(12)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Thompson inquired what happened to this, and Mr. Orville Langdeau reported that the funds are froze. The Chairman stated he had written to our Congressmen asking for their help to break this loose.

(13)

FISHING AND WATER RIGHTS - Mr. J. W. Thompson talked about Indian fishing rights and commercial fishing and said this could be profitable and provide employment for about eight people. He gave copies of a proposed resolution asking that the Tribe and its members exercise their preferential rights and that this matter be referred to our tribal attorney to determine the legalities of such rights. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we pass this resolution and mail it to the Fish and Game Department and also to our Congressmen and to Mr. Larson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.)

(14)

GREAT LAKES ASSOCIATION - The chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:15 and called on Mr. Carl Smith who introduced Mr. Keith Wilcox of the Great Lakes Association. Mr. Wilcox discussed the perimeter road system and the work being done on roads by the Great Lakes Association. Mr. Wilcox said that the Great Lakes are one of South Dakota's greatest natural recreation areas and it is up to the people to promote the area and gain the benefits of the tourist dollar spent in the state. He showed the council a copy of a brochure which is to be printed by the Great Lakes Association and he inquired whether the Tribe was interested in purchasing advertising space in this brochure. \$800 will buy a two-inch space on the map of the Great Lakes and will also include a half-page add in the South Dakota Traveler's Guide put out by the State Highway Travel Agency. The Chairman said that the council would discuss this and let him know our decision.

(15)

BUREAU PROGRAM PLANNING AND BUDGETING - Mr. Edzards said that between now and October 1st they will be preparing something new in the Bureau, called Program Planning and Budgeting. This will give the council some control or say in budgeting, more so than in the past, and we could recommend curtailing programs which we feel aren't too successful and expanding other programs. This must be in by October 1st, so he hoped to get together with the council on this soon.

(16)

EDUCATION - Mr. Edzards said that Mr. Mackey has been acting as principal and we should have the list of those applying soon. Mr. Edzards also recommended that the Tribe continue the program we had last year of allowing a small amount each month to students at Pierre Boarding School for personal spending money.

(17)

H.I.P. PROGRAM - Mr. Tlustos said that Congress has made no appropriation yet for H.I.P. so no funds are available yet and he doesn't know when or what amount will be available for Home Improvement.

(18)

TURN-KEY 111 HOUSING - Mr. Tlustos said there would be a final review of plans in Chicago on Friday morning, that the development program has gone into Washington, and they would hope to be able to start construction the first of the month.

(19)

REQUEST FOR LOAN AND HOME REPAIR - A letter was read from Silas Black Dog asking for a loan and home repair. Mrs. Kay Gournau made a motion that we write to Mr. Black Dog and advise him of our loan policy and to tell him he would be eligible for home repair if he will sign up for it. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(20)

DUMP GROUNDS AND GARBAGE TRUCK - Mr. Lawrence Thompson said they had been surveying the dump grounds and there is a need for some work up there and a need for people to dump in the proper place beyond the cement blocks. He also said they had received a surplus property listing showing a garbage truck and a DC-6 CAT available from the Warren Airforce Base in Detroit.

Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to ask for this equipment and go down and get it. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(21)

REQUEST FOR WELLS - Mr. Lawrence Thompson said that the Community Health Representatives had thought that if an emergency proposal were submitted for two wells, one to serve the Two Hawk's community, and one up at the Bend, there would be a possibility of getting those wells. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to submit a project proposal requesting these two wells. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against. Lawrence asked about a well in his winter pasture but this was tabled until A.S.C. could be contacted.

(22)

EDUCATIONAL MOVIES - Mr. Lawrence Thompson said that he has a list of educational movies which are available and he would be glad to get the films and come in the evening to show them, but it was not up to him to push for this. He said the C.H.R.'s had asked him to do this and he did come up but no one showed up.

(23)

BUREAU OF OUTDOOR RECREATION - Mr. Carl Smith said that the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation has a program whereby fifty percent grant funds are available for recreational development; however, they won't go along with projects on trust land. He said he would like to get a meeting with the B.O.R., the State Department and the Tribes to try to work out some change in the Act so the tribes would be eligible for these grants.

(24)

LAND PURCHASES - Mr. Joe Brewer said that he had two land sales: 80 acres of the Leonard Tompkins Allotment owned by Velda LaRoche, and the Kennedy Allotment, 160 acres. Mr. Orville Langdeau moved to buy these. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(25)

LAND TRADE WITH THE GRAZING ASSOCIATION - Mr. Joe Brewer said the blue areas marked on the map would be the ones the Tribe is getting, and the yellow areas would be what the Association would be getting. Mr. Orville Langdeau moved to reject the offer. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(26)

REQUEST TO SELL MINERAL RIGHTS - Mrs. Grace Estes said that she had a letter from Ofie Gillian Phillips requesting to sell her mineral rights. Mr. Joe Brewer indicated he would take care of this for her.

(27)

KASPAPI HALL - The chairman said that they had gone up and inspected Kaspapi Hall and that it was in bad shape, with windows broken out and other damages. The history of this house was discussed, how it was moved to its present location to be used as a community building, how it was one of the few remaining old rehab houses, and the money put into it by the Tribe on the various repair projects. Possible future uses of the building were mentioned.

(28)

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE - Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to help Mrs. Susie Johnson Doran with the funeral expenses for her son Earl Langdeau who passed away in Dallas, Texas. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(29)

LAND TRADE WITH ASSOCIATION - Mr. Wynia came in and inquired about the reasons for the Council rejecting the land trade proposal and asked how the council wanted to settle this. The council indicated they wanted to continue to hold out the tribal land from the permit and that it would be up to the Assoc to keep the cattle off.

(30)

INDIAN DANCING CONTEST - Mr. Alwin Grassrope asked if the council could do anything about the dancing contest, as he took first in fancy dancing and the prize was advertised as \$75 but he only got \$19. The Chairman stated the only thing would be for us to get the figures from the Pow Wow Committee on what was paid out.

(31)


RODEO, SEPT. 27th - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the rodeo like it is set up by the recreation committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. The rodeo was discussed and there are to be adult events and also events for the kids from 8-13. A free barbecue will be held before the rodeo, beginning about noon.

(32)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on September 3rd, 1969.


Joan Moussey, Recording Secretary

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LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
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LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 24, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on September 24, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:45 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present
Andrew R. Estes
Clarence Thompson, Sr.
J. W. Thompson
Kay Gourneau
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau (arrv. 1:00)

Absent
Orville Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by Mrs. Grace Estes.

(1)

REQUEST ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH DOCTOR - Dr. Spencer and Mr. Larry Clark, from Aberdeen, were in and the council discussed with them ways of improving the health care of the people. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting an additional Public Health Service Doctor. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(2)

RAVEN INDUSTRIES - Mr. Swenson said that Raven Industries now has a government set aside contract with the Air Force, a cut and sew operation. He didn't want to say the plant would open on such and such a date, but that as soon as the Tribe and Raven could come to an agreement about the rent, etc., it would probably be about six weeks time.

(3)

LTV AERO-SPACE CORP. - Mr. Swenson said that he had also talked with Mr. Black from LTV and they had come down here. LTV is a very strong corporation and quite diversified. They are working with Standing Rock but have been having problems because E.D.A. will not give grants for private industries. It has been a long, lengthy process and he didn't know how long it would take them to resolve all the problems with the Nixon administration, H.U.D. and the problems with all the different agencies.

(4)

PLANNING COMMITTEE - Mr. Swenson said that according to the planning grant, an inter-tribal planning committee is supposed to be appointed and he suggested that each tribe appoint a planning committee so he could receive information as to what the people on the reservation want.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner and reconvened at 1:15)

(5)

COMING MEETING - Mr. Venji informed the council that there would be a meeting at Fort Thompson on Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. and that they are inviting all interested people to discuss the juvenile problem.

(6)

TOWN DUMP - The Chairman told Mr. Edzards that we need a new dump and that what we were thinking of was covering the old one and digging a new pit-type dump west of the present one.

(7)

GRAZING REGULATIONS - Mr. Herrington said there are some changes in the new regulations which should go into effect sometime between now and 1972. The council suggested he leave copies of the new regulations for review.

(8)

PROGRAM PLANNING AND BUDGETING - Mr. Edzards said that on this program planning which they are required to submit, they would like to meet with the council committee on this sometime next week, and also they must have population figures estimated for the next six years, whether the population will decrease and if so by how much, as this would affect the program planning.

(9)

DALLAS GIFFORD RANCH - Mr. Oakley Lamphere, a real estate man representing Dallas Gifford, was called in and the council discussed with him the sale of the Gifford Ranch. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an appraisal on this Gifford Ranch immediately and to offer Mr. Gifford the appraised value for it. The motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with four for, none against, Clarence Thompson absent.

(10)

FALSE NEWS RELEASE - J. W. Thompson said that he heard over the news that Lower Brule and Crow Creek want the Bureau offices over at Fort Thompson. The council discussed this and felt that statements should not be made about what we want without our knowledge or agreement.

(11)

I.B.M CORPORATION, LTV and RAVEN - Mr. LaBelle inquired whether the plant was going to be used by Raven as IBM wanted to know. He said he had advised the IBM Corporation to go ahead and submit their proposal. He said also that LTV Aero-Space Corp. were here and they might also be a good possibility.

(12)

REQUEST FOR HOMESITE - Mrs. Gourneau said that Mrs. Sally Durkin wants a five-acre homesite where her place is to include her shelter belt, home, etc., in the boy's name. Charles Langdeau made a motion to give her one. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(13)

METCALF LAND - Julia Metcalf inquired about her land sale and the chairman informed her that Joe Brewer was working on this.

(14)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Educational grant applications were received for five high school and one college grant. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve these grants. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(15)

GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - An invoice was received from Attorney Larson for the period of August 17th thru September 16th. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to pay it. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(16)

ANTELOPE SEASON - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to have antelope season on the reservation from October 17th through 19th, for the Lower Brule and Cedar Creek areas, for buck or doe, \$5.00 per stamp, 30 head only. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(17)


MANPOWER TRAINING - Mr. Henkins introduced Mr. Solen, who is a member of the advisory council on the manpower operations with the Department of Labor in Kansas City. He said he was here to learn what he could about the Indian labor problems and he asked various questions of the council concerning industry and training. He said further that we would be entitled to have people trained at Bismark, the old job-corps camp, and also at Kicking Horse, and other training centers, and that good training was available.

(18)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Grace Estes moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on September 24, 1969.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

SPECIAL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 24, 1969 (re: Dallas Gifford land)

Mr. Oakley O. Lamphore, a real estate man from Sturgis, S. Dak., was called in and introductions were made.

Mr. Lamphore: I think I talked to most of the council here. I represent Mr. Dallas Gifford. Because of age and health, he has decided to move on to a smaller operation and he is going to sell his place. Because of his relationship with the tribe in the past, he would rather see the Tribe buy it if they are interested. That is what I am here for. If you are interested, we haven't done any work to try to contact other people until we find out whether you were interested or not. He would be in a position to offer some terms if it were something satisfactory to you fellows. I think most of you are somewhat aware of the place. It is 5400 and 54/16² acres. About 54 acres cultivated, a good set of buildings. It is watered as far as dams and has adequate water. There is Indian land in the unit.

They have priced it at \$70 an acre; \$379,000. They would sell it for \$100,000 down and another \$100,000 within one year, and the balance could be made on a long term arrangement.

Mr. Edzards: All the minerals go with it?

Mr. Lamphore: I think he would be interested in reserving a percentage of any producing royalty for a period of years. The minerals intact would go with the surface, then after a period of years if there are no producing wells, there is nothing there. That would be a negotiable factor.

J. W. Thompson: This land isn't very well consolidated, scattered all over, and I think it is the general feeling of the council that \$70 is pretty steep. We just sold him a quarter for \$40 an acre, and he is turning around and selling it back for \$70.

Lamphore: Of course here is the thing. Mr. Gifford has never gone into farming, and some of that has sold as high as \$150 an acre. \$100 an acre didn't seem to stop those fellows at all.

Mr. Herrington: That \$150 land has a wheat base with it.

Lamphore: Yes, but there are calf² crops that pay better than wheat.

Charles Langdeau asked if there was any wheat base.

Lamphore: There is no wheat base at all. I think that a wheat base is losing some of its significance because of the amount and the way it is handled.

Joe Brewer: You go east, west and south and the land is good until you hit the reservation line. Then you run into celanium and gumbo.

Lamphore: I agree but the situation does exist where you border a farm and ranch area. The break in price is unrealistic but it is a fact. You go down around Pine Ridge, \$15 or \$1700 for a quarter wouldn't seem to be out of line if it is one of those farmers looking at it. I recognize and realize what is going on here, the grass land by the quarter isn't bringing the price. Then you turn around and these farmers step right in and buy it and pay for it.

Mr. McKay: You have a celanium problem up there on this place too don't you?

Lamphere: I question whether it is very serious. I understand there is a problem clear through to Pierre from the Dept. of Agriculture who makes the study. It is really no concern unless it gives you a problem with your livestock. As far as farming, it wouldn't pose any problem at all that I know of.

Mr. Edzards inquired about the interest on the balance.

Lamphere: That would be a negotiable figure. It would depend somewhat on the kind of a deal we make on the unit. As far as I am concerned and Mr. Gifford, the same rate could transfer between the two. It would be between seven and eight percent though I am sure of that. I don't think it would be anything under that.

Mr. Andrew Estes: For a period of how long?

Lamphere: Ten, 15 or 20 years on that balance. On a contract like that, it would be on a contract for deed because there is an insurance company loan on there. He would be responsible for that. We could agree on an escrow agent and it wouldn't make any difference, either through a bank or attorney's office, and your payments would be made and the loan would be paid out of there, so there wouldn't be any question as far as whether the thing would be carried out. I would suggest if it went on a contract for deed that it would be written up where you would do what and when, and he would do what and when, and be placed through an escrow agent and you both would deal through the agent so that neither party would have any control over the thing other than the exact way the agreement was drawn.

Charles Langdeau: Can a real estate loan from an insurance company be transferred?

Lamphere: Yes, we could transfer it. I do know this, I assume the Tribe would want to move the title back in trust. I know in the past, our legal department has not approved these loans on trust land. We do have regulations and are familiar with loans on trust lands, but our legal department never felt it met their requirements. But of course if it were on a contract for deed, the title would remain in Gifford's name. When the contract were paid off, deeds would be in escrow and recorded and the title would be clear, then what you did with it as a tribe would be just your affair.

Joe Brewer: Then the Tribe would have to pay taxes on it.

Lamphere: From a legal standpoint, you are in just as strong a position in a contract for deed, or you could take the title and record a mortgage back; however, we have a contract with the insurance company so he would have to have a second mortgage. Of course a good contract for deed is just as good as anything else. You make one of these contracts and place it in an escrow agent, either a bank or a lawyer, I prefer a bank, and nobody can get into that contract until they meet the terms of it and that is what you have agreed on it.

Herrington: That is the problem. The tribe would have to pay the taxes on the full amount of that land until it were fully paid.

Lamphere: Yes, as long as the title was in his name there would be no way to move it back into trust.

Herrington: However, on the other approach, with the tribe having title and giving a mortgage, it could be put into trust and the tribe would not have to pay taxes.

Lamphere: Mr. Gifford himself would have to make that commitment on it because he has dealt with you before. I am sure he would want to go to a lawyer and get their opinion on it. I think if the tribe agreed to go ahead with it, I think he would be satisfied that the tribe would complete their agreement. It would be a little different than going with a private individual who might go bankrupt.

Mr. Herrington suggested the tribe could go direct to an insurance company and borrow the money to pay him off.

Lamphere: He certainly wouldn't refuse the cash in full. The only reason I mentioned this contract deal was that if the tribe were interested in it, that would be about as good a deal as we could offer. We would have to have the \$100,000 down and another \$100,000 within a year. We would have to do a little work before we could give a deed. We were talking of \$100,000 down and \$100,000 shortly after the first of the year. That would put it into two years. The \$100,000 would be less than the 29% and would give him a tax advantage. I think the way this deal sits right now and if he could make a deal, the feed and what not that is out there would go with it. I don't think he had any other thoughts.

Charles Langdeau: This \$70 is complete, including feed, buildings, etc.

Lamphere: Yes. All the buildings complete, dams, wells, feed, etc., would all go.

Kay Gourneau: Would he consider \$60 an acre?

Lamphere: I doubt it.

Kay Gourneau: Even if we paid for it cash in full?

Lamphere: I question whether he would or not. Here is one thing. If that is an offer that is one thing. If it isn't, I do know of several other interested parties and I certainly would want to talk with them.

Herrington: Before they would make an offer, I think they would want to have the land appraised.

Lamphere: Here is the situation and the reason I am here right now. To find out whether the council is seriously interested in buying it. If they are not interested, why there is not much point in taking up a lot of time. If they are interested and want to go ahead and seriously go after it, we would give you a little time to do some work on it. But if you weren't, we were just

going to go ahead on a deal for it. That is what I wanted to find out today if I could.

Andrew Estes: What is the council's feeling on it?

J. W. Thompson: I am willing to offer the appraised value, but I don't know what that is. It may be \$100 an acre.

Lamphere: I would like to say this. If you fellows want to decide to go ahead with it, we are not going to consider it a binding situation. If your offer isn't satisfactory, we don't have to take it. If you did decide to consider it, I wouldn't feel and Mr. Gifford wouldn't feel you were under obligation to go through with it if it didn't meet your specifications price wise.

Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an appraisal on this Gifford ranch immediately. Seconded by Charles Langdeau. Grace: That is indicating we are interested? yes. and to offer the appraised value was added to the motion. The motion carried with a vote of four for and one, Clarence Thompson, absent.

Lamphere: Let me specify one thing on this. xCould you have an appraisal within ten days or two weeks?

This was discussed and the date of October 6th was agreed on.

Lamphere: The reason I ask, I hate to commit ourselves to something and then it would run into December and we still wouldn't know. That way if we didn't have an offer by October 6th, we would just go ahead.

Charles: You don't want us to string you along.

Lamphere: That is right. I think that is about everything I came down here for. I appreciate your time and trouble.

Andrew Estes thanked him for coming. And the terms would be worked out later.

Joe Brewer said he would try to get a figure by Monday

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REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 1, 1969.

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on October 1, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 10:00 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present
Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Kay Gourneau
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau

Absent
Grace Estes

The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer led by the Chaplain, Orville Langdeau.

(1)

INDIAN CALF SALE - Mr. Storjohann from Chamberlain Livestock Sales was in and said that for the past 22 years they have been having an Indian calf sale and that, if they could keep the group together, it is a more effective sale because the calves have a good reputation and the buyers are after them. The City of Chamberlain, to show their appreciation to the operators on the reservation, put on a barbeque and they intend to do that again this year. The date for the sale was set for October 27th.

(2)

COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM - Mr. Lavern Rainhart asked the council if he had the authority to hire and fire the C.H.R.'s working under him. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give him that authority. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(3)

APPROVE MINUTES - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

COMMERCIAL FISHING - A letter was read from Attorney Larson dated September 11th in reply to our resolution in connection with commercial fishing rights. Mr. Larson's opinion was that the tribe and its members would have the right to engage in commercial fishing without cost.

(5)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - A letter dated September 4th from Mr. Lempres, Attorney for Chalomar, was read in which he outlined the proposed manner of payment of the \$17,500 settlement. This was tabled until Mr. Larson's return.

(6)

ENROLLMENT - A letter was read from Geraldine Big Eagle Goodlow requesting enrollment for her two children although she did not have birth certificates. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion that we write her and advise her that we must have some verification of birthdates, etc. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(7)

LETTER CONCERNING BAD CHECK FROM ELECTRONICS CORP. - A letter was read from Mrs. Betty Durkin requesting that the Tribe make good the bad checks she received for salary while working at the plant and stating that the Tribe picked up all the other checks. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we write her a letter of explanation that the Tribe hasn't picked up any of the checks. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(8)

LOCATION OF BUREAU OFFICES - A note was read from Grace Estes stating that she could not be here as she was attending another meeting in Pierre; however, she felt the council should go on record in regard to Crow Creek's resolution requesting that the Bureau offices be moved to Fort Thompson to better serve Crow Creek and Lower Brule. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution stating that we can take care of our own business and that we are not in favor of Crow Creek speaking for us and to further resolve that if they are going to move the offices somewhere, that they move to Lower Brule. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(9)

HIGH SCHOOL - It was also discussed that Fort Thompson is requesting a high school at Fort Thompson and it should be known that they are speaking for themselves and not for Lower Brule.

(10)

TURN-KEY HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Orville Langdeau explained the hold-up on the housing and said the neighborhood center is also tied up.

(11)

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BROCHURE - The Chairman stated that Mr. Barger would be around taking pictures and was going to make up a brochure on the reservation.

(The meeting was adjourned for dinner which was served at St. Mary's Hall by the Extension Club, and was called back to order at 1:00 with the Vice-Chairman, Clarence Thompson, presiding.)

(12)

PROGRAM PLANNING AND BUDGETING - Mr. Edzards reviewed the program planning and budgeting of the various departments in Pierre and gave the number of employees in each department and discussed the plans with the council. He said he had our proposal on the Law and Order Program and the additional policeman and probation officer would be requested. The council said also that we have not been getting nearly what is needed for roads.

(13)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Mr. Larson said that he had written to Chalomar stating that the manner of payment as outlined in the Sept. 4th letter was not satisfactory and there has since been more correspondence on this. He now received a copy of a letter directed to Mr. Marken and Mr. Larson advised us to contact him again when Mr. Marken contacts us.

(14)

HUNTING REGULATIONS - Hunting regulations on the taking area land were discussed with Attorney Larson, and Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to draft a letter to the Corps of Engineers and Dept. of Game, Fish and Parks and advise them that we intend to enforce our hunting regulations within the reservation boundaries, including all the tribal and individual Indian land that was taken for the reservoir. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(15)

PROGRAM PLANNING AND BUDGETING - Mr. Trustos said that the population figures sent by Washington and which they are supposed to use in their program planning show a decrease in population each year. Mr. J. W. Thompson said he didn't agree with this and said not to use those figures.

(16)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - This housing was discussed and it was suggested that a delegation go to Washington to see if we can't get approval to start, otherwise it will be too late to start this year.

(17)

REPORT ON LAW AND ORDER CONFERENCE - Mrs. Helen Smith, Mrs. Rose McCauley and Mrs. Garreau thanked the council for sending them to the conference in Custer, and the judges gave a report on the main points discussed at the conference.

(18)

REQUEST FOR LAND - Alfred Ziegler came in and requested the lease on some more land. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to put his request on file. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(19)

LAND, GIFFORD RANCH - Mr. Joe Brewer introduced Mr. Tom Condon who is the new realty assistant in Pierre. Mr. Joe Brewer advised the council of the appraisal on the Gifford Ranch and this was discussed. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion that Mr. Brewer contact Mr. Lamphere and advise him of the appraisal. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and one, Clarence Thompson, not voting.

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(20)

EXTENSION BOARD - Mr. Ed Riehle said that an advisory board needs to be formed, consisting of five to seven members, to help them establish programs in which the people will be interested for Extension projects. The council asked that they be given some time for consideration on this committee.

(21)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to set up meetings with the Congressman, Public Health, and Housing in Washington to look into what is holding up our housing and to request that the Bureau grant permission for Mr. George Tlustos to accompany the Tribe on the trip. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for, the chairman Andrew Estes absent, and acting chairman, Clarence Thompson, not voting.

(22)

REQUEST FOR LAND - A letter was read from Linda Ducheneaux requesting an allocation of enough land for 50 head of cattle. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to file this request until some land becomes available. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for, none against, the chairman absent.

(23)

SANITARIAN AID - Mr. Lawrence Thompson came and discussed with the council a matter concerning environmental health and care for the aged.

(24)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on October 1, 1969.



Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 13, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on October 13, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 2:15 p.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau
Charles Langdeau

Absent

Clarence Thompson, Sr.
Grace Estes
J. W. Thompson

Others Present

John E. Kittelson, Raven Industries
Bob Spink
Duane Harder
Edward Edzards
James Swenson
George McKay
Joe Blacksmith

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

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1. C. Kittelson
2. B. Spink
3. D. Harder
4. E. Edzards
5. J. Swenson
6. G. McKay
7. J. Blacksmith

RAVEN INDUSTRIES PROPOSAL - Mr. Kittelson from Raven Industries outlined the Raven proposal for a plant at Lower Brule. The proposal calls for the formation of a separate Lower Brule Company to be owned thirty percent by the Tribe and seventy percent by Raven Industries. The total capital needs would be \$150,000; there would be an initial issue of capital stock for \$60,000 and it is intended that Raven will purchase 70% or \$42,000 and that Lower Brule would purchase the remaining \$18,000. The company would pay back to the Tribe rent for the building and back to Raven rent for equipment needed. The plan would be to work for the first two years exclusively on government contract work and then to branch into commercial lines. The initial contract would be a cut and sew operation of mail bag inserts and they are hoping for a contract with the Air Force for repair of cargo nets. He also outlined the Raven divestiture agreement which provides that at the end of five years, Raven must relinquish their majority holdings and Lower Brule would have the option to purchase stock from Raven to give them a majority. Mr. Kittelson said that a man from S.B.A. would come out but before he does this and before they go any further, they must know whether they have the support of the Tribe. The chairman stated that there are three councilmen who could not be present today and we should get their feelings. Another special meeting is set up for Wednesday and the chairman said we would discuss it and let him know our decision by Thursday.

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(2)

LAND NEGOTIATIONS - The chairman said that Mr. Lempres was to come today to discuss the Gifford land; however, they had a lot of snow at Spearfish and he couldn't get out, so another meeting has been set up for Wednesday. There was also a discussion about some land up at Little Bend which is going to be sold at auction by the State Dept. of Game, Fish and Parks. Possible sources for borrowing money for land purchases were discussed and Mr. Edzards stated that before the meeting on Wednesday he would contact Attorney Larson to see if outside lenders would accept a pledge of income as security as it is doubtful whether trust land can be mortgaged.

(3)

PUBLIC HEALTH PROPOSAL - A proposal concerning our previous request for an additional Public Health doctor was read and Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt this proposal and to include it with our resolution. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

(4)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 15, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on October 15, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 1:15 p.m., with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman	Mr. Edward Edzards, Superintendent
Mr. Clarence Thompson	Mr. Duane Harder, Aberdeen
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	Mr. Carl Smith
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mr. James Swenson
Mr. Charles Langdeau	Mr. Roy LaBelle
Mr. J. W. Thompson	
Mrs. Grace Estes (arr 1:45)	Mr. Joe Brewer
	Mr. Oakley Lamphere

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

RAVEN INDUSTRIES PROPOSAL - The chairman called on Mr. Swenson and he allowed time for the council to review the minutes of the October 13th special meeting and the proposal as submitted by Raven Industries. Mr. Swenson explained the proposal and the council discussed it among themselves and with the others present. Mr. Swenson stated that what Raven now wants from the Tribe is an expression of interest so they won't go to a lot of work on this and then be turned down later, of course the final agreement will be subject to S.B.A. approval. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to draw up a resolution that we are interested in the Raven Industries proposal. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against (Mr. Orville Langdeau called from the room to the telephone and absent for vote).

(2)

GIFFORD RANCH - Mr. Lamphere, agent for Dallas Gifford, came to the meeting and this land purchase was discussed. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to stand on our previous motion of offering the appraised value. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and one, Mr. Clarence Thompson, not voting.

(3)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - A letter dated October 14th from Attorney Larson was read, which letter outlined the manner of payment, and escrow of funds.

(4)

LAND SALE, LYMAN COUNTY - The chairman announced that on October 30th at 10:00 a.m. there will be a public auction of land for sale by the Dept. of Game Fish and Parks, wich land is located at Little Bend. The council discussed this and Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the land committee to use their own judgment and bid on the land and to leave the maximum amount up to the land committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(5)

INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING - The chairman announced that there would be an inter-tribal council meeting tomorrow at 1:00 p.m., here at Lower Brule.

(6)

LIVESTOCK LOAN CLIENT - Mr. Clarence Thompson complained about a tribal operator, Mr. Lawrence Thompson, and said he wanted the tribal council to do something about this.

(7)

EMPLOYMENT ON ROADS, STATE - A letter from the South Dakota Department of Highways was read, which letter asks for names and job experience of Indian people interested in working on highway construction. Anyone interested should contact Mr. Alan R. Winters of the Department of Highways, Pierre, and he in turn will make these names available to the contractors who are looking for additional employees.

(8)

COMING MEETING - The chairman announced that there would be an I.C.A.P. meeting on the 22nd and 23rd at the Kings Inn in Pierre.

(9)

N.C.A.I. CONVENTION - Mrs. Grace Estes reported on the convention held in Albuquerque and said it was one of the largest conventions with 1400 representatives from the various tribes present. She reported on the matters taken up at the convention, the election of officers, the participation of the Alaskan villages, and that the next convention would be in Alaska.

(10)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Orville Langdeau reported on their trip to Washington and the conferences held with the congressional delegates, H.U.D., and Public Health. They said they would give an answer on the housing and he had stayed over for two days waiting for a definite answer; however, there still is no answer.

(11)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION.

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Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

LIVESTOCK LOAN CLIENT - Mr. Clarence Thompson said he has a problem with Lawrence, one of our livestock loan clients. He neglected to fix his fence. We fixed ours two years ago. His cattle are neglected. They got out last winter and cost us money. We had to buy feed. They didn't buy any hay. Already this year cattle are getting out every night and running in our hay meadow and our wind rows. I have spoken to Lawrence about this and he sounds agreeable, but it doesn't mean anything. He stays in town. He did put a man out there, but he is afoot and has nothing to work with. The gates are left open, two gates within the last week. This is ~~causing~~ causing our stock to get in the wind rows. Somebody is throwing them open. This is my last talk with him and something must be done. I want the credit committee to talk to him. He is in my district and I have talked to him more than once. I was on the committee that gave him cattle. In the first place years back and you will remember, I said, if we give you those cattle, will you quit your job and take care of them, and he said, "yes, I will." Then after he got it, he continued to work in town five days out of a week.

Orville: How is his feed? Clarence: We are all short but he is especially short. All I can see is two or three stacks. Last year he had more than he had before, but we had a tough winter and he used it up and his cattle kept getting in our stacks. It is too far away from home and I can't be herding guys cows every day.

Mr. Herrington: Where is the problem now? Clarence: His problem is right by my dad's place. They are getting out around the old buildings there south. I had to drive his horses out, 25 head of them. It has got to the point where I can't talk any more. I want the council to do something, about this and do it quick.

J. W. Thompson : You could take them and hold them for trespass.

Clarence: I warned him about this. I was gone for a week and I no more and left and that is what happened, and they are still like that today. On top of poor fences, the gates are left open.

J. W. Thompson: If that is the case, he would have to get them out of hawk.

Clarence said he was going to present a bill for last years hay. I bought hay at \$20 a ton last year and I told him, but he wouldn't do it. I will give him the bill first, but if anyone pays it, it will probably have to be the tribe.

J. W. Thompson: We have been getting complaints about him ever since he got cattee. Two times I looked at the situation.

Charles Langdeau asked if it wouldn't be better for Clarence to just fix it and save the hay.

Clarence said that is the trouble, he wants somebody to do it for him. That is his obligation, not mine.

Charles asked if Lawrence didn't put in a lot of fence down there, as each year he has fencing bills.

Clarence: If anyone doesn't believe it, they would be welcome to come down and sit around for a few days.

J. W. Thompson: If we liquidate him, there would still be some cattle in there. You would still have trespass and that would be between you and him.

Mr. Herrington: Said he would talk to Lawrence about putting that fence in.

J. W. Thompson: Said he would go around and check him out for feed.

Herrington inquired about the fencing needed, and Clarence said about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile fence on the east and around the buildings and my dad's place.

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 21, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on October 21, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 11:00 a.m., with attendance as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman	Mr. John E. Kittelson, Raven Industries
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mr. Gilbertson, S.B.A. in Washington
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	Mr. S.B.A., Sioux Falls
Mrs. Grace Estes	Mr. James Swenson
	Mr. Roy LaBelle
Mrs. Joyce Estes	Mr. Joe Blacksmith


Mr. Swenson introduced Mr. Gilbertson from the S.B.A. Washington Office and the representative from the Sioux Falls Office.

Mr. Gilbertson said if they are going to be doing business, they want to know who they are doing business with. He said they are not interested in setting up jobs; they are interested in setting up businesses. They have examined the Raven proposal and it seems a very fair one and an unselfish one. He outlined the plan for obtaining Section 8-A contracts to get the business going and then branching into the commercial market. He said they were interested first of all only if we are interested. Ultimately, you must be prepared on the reservation to take over and run this industry and learn the skills necessary to provide sales, marketing, etc. Ultimately it must be done here and done successfully if you want to conduct it over a period of time and make it a profitable enterprise. The only condition S.B.A. imposes would be that if they start this and get it going, they do not want to see it dissipated by our starting something else without S.B.A. knowing exactly what we are planning to go into. They have seen this happen before; they have built a nice container and then found someone knocked a hole in the bottom. They are helping to get started with this company that can succeed and they want our help. Let's get one thing to fly, and then branch out.

Mr. Gilbertson: I think it is important, if there are any doubts that keep you from going into this enthusiastically, I think now is the time to resolve them, before we go into it, because we don't want another failure. The success of the company is first.

Many other aspects of this proposal were discussed, employment of off-reservation members and non-members, the contracts for mail bag inserts and cargo nets, working into electronics and commercial line items, use of the electronics building and the storage building, financing, training of employees and management, number to be employed, an exhibit for the next industrial conference, the Raven lines of outer-wear and electronic devices, the Fort Peck industry, etc.

The meeting adjourned for lunch and a tour of the plant facilities.


Jim Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 29, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building on October 29, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at about 1:00, with attendance as follows:

Present
Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mr. J. W. Thompson

Mrs. Joyce Estes, Finance Officer

Absent
Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Others Present
Mr. Edward Edzards, Supt.
Mr. Joe Brewer
Mr. George McKay

(1)

FINANCING OF THE GIFFORD LAND PURCHASE - The chairman stated that the purpose of this meeting is to see where we have money, where we can get money and how we can juggle our budget to get money for the Gifford Ranch. Mrs. Estes referred to copies of the budget and treasury balances and the audit report and discussed funds available in the Rehab Land Purchase Program, \$104,850 left from the Big Bend taking property settlements, and the general funds were discussed. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to take the money from the three different sources, The Big Bend Taking, the general fund, and Rehab land purchase program, and to amend the budget to cover that. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with three for and none against. Mr. J. W. Thompson mentioned that if the land purchased with Rehab funds for resale were to be designated, not to designate the quarter with the buildings for resale as this just breaks up the unit. Mr. Thompson said also it costs quite a bit to make this purchase and maybe we ought to consider advertising that unit for a long term lease, five or ten years, lock, stock and barrel with all the buildings and see what kind of a bid we can get on it, because all we can get from an Indian operator would be a very minimum. Mr. Thompson made a motion that we do that, advertise it for lease, the ranch, buildings, fences, etc. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

(2)

PUBLIC LAND SALE, LITTLE BEND LAND - The chairman stated that a committee would be needed to go to Kennebec to bid on this land, in accordance with resolution passed on this, and he designated Mr. J. W. Thompson, Charles Langdeau and Orville Langdeau for this. A certified check or bank draft for a deposit would also be needed.

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(3)

RAVEN INDUSTRIES - The lease rental on the two buildings to be used by Raven was discussed. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to require a bond to insure payment of the rent. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with three for and none against. The Chairman said also they needed a name for the corporation so that the papers could be drawn up and he had given them the name of Iron Nation Corporation rather than to have the new corporation confused with the old Lower Brule Electronics. The plant manager trainee position was also discussed and it was suggested that the qualifications be determined and the position advertised.

(4)

LIVESTOCK LOAN CLIENTS - Mr. McKay asked if the council intended to have a meeting with each of the operators again this year as in the past and it was agreed to be a good idea. The date of November 3rd was agreed upon for a cattle count for three operators.

(5)

GENERAL MEETING - The chairman announced that there would be a general meeting on Wednesday evening, Nov. 5th, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall.

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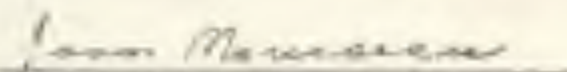
TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Orville Langdeau reviewed with the council the progress being made on the turn-key housing and that Chicago is objecting to the cost of water and sewer for five of the scattered sites. Mr. Langdeau said that although we have not received any definite answer, it is getting to the point where we have to start thinking of alternatives, whether to drop five of the houses and submit a complete revised program and run the risk of having them cut still more homes, or whether to continue to push for all the scattered sites, and a further alternative, if it should come to that, whether the council would be willing to share in what they consider to be excessive costs. He said there was going to be a meeting in Pierre tomorrow, with representatives down from Chicago, and he would like to have the council's opinion. The council discussed this, and that pressure was also being applied from other reservations for scattered sites, and indicated that they were in favor of letting Mr. Orville Langdeau use his own judgment on this.

(7)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau, and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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 REGULAR MEETING
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBEAL COUNCIL
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 5, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at Lower Brule, South Dakota on November 5, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 11:15 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson
J. W. Thompson
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau

The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

MINUTES - The chairman stated we have minutes from the last regular meeting and four special meetings held in October. This was tabled to allow the council members time to review the minutes of the last special meeting on October 29th.

(2)

GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE, AND LETTER TO MR. BUBAK - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's invoice for the period from Sept. 17th to October 16th. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against. Mr. J. W. Thompson suggested that since Attorney Bubak is gone now, we ought to write a letter thanking him for the work he did for the Tribe. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

ENROLLMENT - Enrollment applications were received for James Calvin Henderson, son of Noah and Myrna Estes Henderson, and for Berdine Jo Goodface, daughter of Maxine Goodface. Mrs. Grace Estes mentioned that there was no birth certificate for the Goodface child. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to enroll the Henderson child but to request a birth certificate for the Goodface child. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(4)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - A resolution adopted by the Housing Authority agreeing to make periodic inspections of the water systems at the rural sites was read. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that what they want from the council is a similar resolution. He also reported on the meeting held in Pierre and alternatives which might have to be considered on the rural sites. This matter was tabled until one of the participants could be contacted concerning the alternative proposals.

(5)

LAND PURCHASE - A letter was read from Clarence Wilson wanting to sell his interest in land at Fort Hale. Mrs. Kay Gournear made a motion to request an appraisal on this land, Allotment 385, with the intent to buy Clarence Wilson's interest and any others who want to sell. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(6)

LAND - The chairman stated that Mr. Wynia still wants to sell his place, 1300 acres. The council discussed this and it was tabled until after dinner.

(The meeting adjourned for dinner served by the Extension Club and reconvened at 12:05)

(7)

LAND PURCHASE - The council discussed further the Wilson land, and apparently some of the heirs want to sell to a non-Indian rather than the Tribe. Mr. Joe Brewer said that any sale would be subject to Wilbur's lease and there is three years left on it. Also, any sale would have to be cleared through the Tribal Council.

(8)

LAND PURCHASE - Mr. Joe Brewer stated they had the appraisal on the Kate Councillor Allotment, No. 723, owned by Clarence Zepher and Mary Buck. Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to buy this, seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, one absent for vote.

(9)

REQUEST FOR LEASE - Mr. Joe Brewer stated there was a quarter of tribal land up there that Alfred Ziegler would like to lease and cut as it is laying idle. There was a discussion on this land and Mr. Herrington was asked to check it out as to whether it had already been cut.

(10)

CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to call Mr. Buster LaRoche in on the 17th of November at 10:00 to discuss his leases. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(11)

REQUEST FOR HOME SITE - A letter was read from Harry Bad Horse asking for a five-acre homesite around Kaspapi Hall. The chairman stated that whole community is a sort of village. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we advise him there are no five acre home sites up there but that we have no objection if he wants to put a house up there. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(12)

REQUEST FOR LOAN - A note was read from Mr. Gillie Crazy Bull asking for a loan until he gets the money from his land sale. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion that we notify Mr. Crazy Bull that we have a policy of not advancing money on land sales. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(13)

REQUEST FOR LEASE - A letter was read from Mr. Alfred Ziegler requesting to lease a pasture. The chairman suggested we table this until after the credit committee meeting with Mr. LaRoche.

(14)

FARM ISLAND AND AMERICAN ISLAND - Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution to include these two claims with our Black Hills Claims cases. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, none against, Mr. Orville Langdeau absent.

(15)

BLACK HILLS CLAIMS CASES - The chairman stated that we have a letter from the Black Hills Sioux National Council requesting that all the Tribes concerned with the Black Hills Claims come in to Washington, and that he had asked Jiggs to go with him for these hearings to be held on Friday and next week.

(16)

CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING - The chairman stated that a credit committee meeting was held this morning to go over a proposed modification of Mr. Lawrence Thompson's cattle loan. The modification would extend the loan over a period of nine years and reduce the payments from \$4,000 to \$2,000 per year which would enable him to hold back more replacement heifers. Mrs. Grace Estes asked Clarence whether the trouble had been settled and it was explained that this had been settled by Lawrence agreeing to pay Mr. Clarence Thompson \$400.00 which was the amount he requested for hay and that Lawrence was fixing the fences. Mr. J. W. Thompson said the credit committee had approved the modification and made a motion to approve it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chas. Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. Mrs. Estes mentioned also that in the future committee meetings should be scheduled so they don't interfere with our regular meeting. Mr. McKay also read the cattle count for Alfred Ziegler and Andrew Estes. The chairman suggested to Mr. Herrington that he write to the non-Indian operators requesting that they keep their fences up, and Mr. Clarence Thompson asked that he write to Mr. Martin about putting staples in his fence. Mr. Herrington also advised that they are billing the permittees now and would like to have the money by the 18th.

(17)

HIGH SCHOOL - The chairman turned the meeting over to Mr. Joe Blacksmith who had attended the meeting concerning the High School. Mr. Joe Blacksmith stated they were working on the plans which they had sometime ago on a high school located somewhere in the vicinity of the KPLQ tower and that they are appointing a steering committee from each district to work on this, Lower Brule, Reliance, Kennebec and they will try to get some from Fort Thompson. The committee appointed for Lower Brule are Baunita Ness, Iyonne Garreau, Roy LaBelle, Leola Peterson and Orville Langdeau. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution to back this proposal for a high school centrally located somewhere around Medicine Butte, wherever they decide. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(18)

RECOMMENDATION FOR ATTY LARSON - Mrs. Estes inquired as to whether a letter had been sent backing Attorney Larson for the position of District Judge and the Chairman advised that this had been done.

(19)

ENFORCEMENT OF HUNTING REGULATIONS - Tribal hunting regulations and means of enforcement were discussed. It was also mentioned that councilmen were to act as game wardens as part of their council duties.

(20)

REQUEST FOR ENROLLMENT - An enrollment application and birth certificate were received for Phillip J. Touche, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Touche. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll this child. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, none against, one absent.

(21)

GRANT EASEMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to grant an easement to West Central Electric to come in with some poles on land in Lawrence Thompson's unit. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(22)

HUNTING REGULATIONS - Mr. Lawrence Thompson asked when non-Indians buy hunting licenses, can they go onto any land or are they supposed to get permission of the lessor. The council indicated that they are not supposed to go in without permission of the lessor. The refuge signs put up by the State at Fort Hale were also discussed.

(23)

CASH REGISTER FOR STORE - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that the cash register at the store is in bad condition, it has been broken into several times in the past, and that a new one is badly needed for tax purposes and accounting records. After some discussion, Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to make Orville Langdeau a loan to buy a cash register, to be paid back in monthly payments with no interest charged. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(24)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mr. Clarence Thompson stated he wanted to vote against approving the minutes of the special meeting on the 29th because he didn't approve of the purchase of the Gifford ranch and he was not notified of the meeting. The chairman stated we had tried to contact him about this meeting but were unable to reach him as the telephones were out of service. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve of all the minutes except the Oct. 29th meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of the 29th of October. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for, one against and one not voting. (Mr. Clarence Thompson voting against and Mrs. Grace Estes not voting.)

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 5, 1969

(25)

TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution agreeing to make periodic checks to see that the cisterns and septic tanks are properly maintained on the rural sites, in the event cisterns must be provided rather than wells. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(26)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - A letter was read from the Department of Housing and Urban Development concerning increases in the original grants. The chairman suggested we table this until we can talk to Mr. Titus.

(27)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with five for and none against, Mrs. Estes absent.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Rousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
GENERAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
NOVEMBER 5, 1969

The general meeting was held at St. Mary's Hall on November 5, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 8:00 p.m. with the following people present:

Council members:

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau

Community Members

Father Paul Casper
Velma Langdeau
George Small Jumper
Noah and Maxine Grassrope
Grace Blacksmith
Aurelia Pourier
Ellsworth & Iyonna Garreau
Levi and Patty Flute
Gilbert Big Eagle
Phyllis Hudson
Alvena Hudson
Myrtle Thompson
Lavern Reinhart
Joe and Elizabeth Two Hawks
Altwin Grassrope
Joyce Estes
Bertha Fire Cloud
Madeline Eagle Thunder
Fay and Bert Jandreau
Geraldine Ziegler
Eunice Crazy Bull
Marilyn Harmon
Mike Jandreau
Phillip & Caroline Touche
Ed Riehle

Other Speakers and Representatives

John E. Kittelson, Raven Industries
David A. Christensen, Raven Industries
Edward Edzards, Superintendent, B.I.A.
Robin Mausen, Social Services, B.I.A.
Dr. Spencer, Public Health Service
Stuart Mann, Pharmacist
Ralph Kemmons, legal aid
Bruce Whitmore, legal aid
Roy LaBelle, Industrial Development, C.
James Swenson, Planning Director
Joe Blacksmith, O.E.O.

Silas Black Dog
Emma Bad Horse
Amy and Jonah Small
Hilda Small
Wm. and Mercy Quilt
Margaret Wilson
Linda Ducheneaux
Marie Langdeau
Rout. High Elk
John Estes
George Estes
Owen Good Face
Alfreda Langdeau
Ollie LaRoche
Doris Grassrope
Julla Metcalf
Catherine Eagle Thunder

& others

The meeting opened with a prayer by Father Casper.

The Chairman called on Mr. LaBelle, who said there would be discussions on three subjects: 1) Manpower and the start of the new Industry; 2) community discussions and 3) family life. Mr. LaBelle then called on Mr. John Kittelson from Raven Industries.

Mr. Kittelson: We have been working on this project for several months, since last May, and recently we have come to the point where things are looking pretty good. We were looking for a name for the new corporation, and one name sort of stood out. Mr. Estes mentioned this name, the Iron Nation Corporation. There was a chief named Iron Nation and we all like this name and hope you like it as well.

This company will not be a division of Raven Industries, nor a division of the tribal council, but will be a joint venture of both the tribe and Raven Industries. It is a stock held corporation which will not go for sale upon the open market. Raven will put up 70% and Lower Brule will put up 30% - \$42,000 by Raven, and \$18,000 by the tribal council. With this they are forming the company called Iron Nation. There will be officers and directors from Raven and the Tribe, proportionate with the investment. He told of the participation of S.B.A. in the financing, and said they are looking at a fifty-man operation here at Lower Brule. The first contract will be a cut and sew operation for the post office department. When we mention sewing, don't think we mean like in the home. We are talking about a heavy duty machine.

Someone asked about employment for people living away from here and Mr. Kittelson replied that they can work if they can be here.

By 1974 the company will be on its own. The only support we are getting from the government is a chance to make government products on a competitive bid. The purpose is to get a profitable business going here. There is not a great deal in it for Raven, but we are a South Dakota company. We have seven plants, six of them in South Dakota, and we plan to stay in South Dakota as much as possible. We have only one plant outside of South Dakota and that is a plant in Texas which we moved down there because transportation was costing too much. For this reason we are helping establish this corporation. We want to employ people in South Dakota. A lot of people have told us that there are people here who want to work, and we will employ them. There is a lot of grommeting and riveting and heavy duty sewing. We plan to have a training period and over a period of time have training by professional people from Sioux Falls. The starting wage will be \$1.00 per hour while in training, with increases in pay as they advance.

What is the future of this company? It is a joint company. It is not Raven; it is not Lower Brule Tribe. It is a company formed by the two groups and the success of the company will depend upon you. Initially, all the management will come from Raven, as well as the accounting, purchasing and legal work. Under this five year period, we plan to train the people in Lower Brule to make it completely a company run by the people here. The future all depends upon the people here. If you all work hard on it, you can get it going good.

Mr. Orville Langdeau asked if the plant would employ both men and women. Mr. Kittelson said yes, both men and women. We hope to employ primarily men, but this does not restrict the women from working there. We want the company to support the community and we would like primarily to employ heads of the households, but I am sure there will be work for everyone. If there are more than fifty people who really, honestly want to work, we will find work.

Mr. Kittelson: We are not connected with Cal-Dak nor Omni. We have been in business since 1956 and do about \$5 million business each year. We are no fly-by-night organization. We know how to run a company and are offering the management. He introduced Mr. Christenson who will be the president of the Iron Nation Corporation.

Mr. Christenson: I can see that you people are concerned. We are not coming out here with any gimmicks or fast talk. This is your corporation and will be your corporation and must pull its own weight. It is to be money for you people and make money for Raven Industries. If the company prospers, you will be able to make a decent living wage and we will all make our share. The Lower Brule Council will have the right to buy our company out after five years, and it will be your company. You people can take over and run, manage and develop it yourselves. We will pick the people who are the most capable. You must be there and be there on time and must do what is expected of you and must make money for the company. There are a lot of give-away programs; but we are asking nothing but a good day's work and we don't expect you to give us anything but your best days work. I can see by your questions that some have come in and made a fast dollar. This is not our intention. The people who do the job are the ones who will have it. You people will have something to work for and it can grow and expand. We are not all perfect. We must have good people and people who want to work. You cannot expect any more than that. You must be energetic and enthusiastic and must enjoy coming to work and have a goal and know how to accomplish it. If it is a grind, then you might as well quit and go someplace else. I am looking forward to it myself.

We will rent the buildings from you. Right now this week we are forming the corporation. We have been in negotiation for about a \$200,000 contract. Once this contract is signed, we will start getting the equipment shipped into the main assembly building. January 5th is the intention to start. Mr. Christenson told about the sewing machines and mentioned that there would be a job for a sewing machine mechanic and also for a production supervisor. The plant manager will be the person who started our plant in Huron and Texas. He knows the business and knows it well. We are giving him a leave of absence from Raven to work for the Iron Nation Corporation. Working under him we hope to have one of your people in training as a production supervisor.

Mr. LaBelle thanked Mr. Kittelson and Mr. Christenson and called upon Mr. Madsen. Mr. Madsen said he thought it was appropriate that Raven speak first because this is the direction we want to go. We hope this will make welfare assistance secondary. Mr. Madsen explained the Tribal Work Experience Training Program which is funded with general assistance funds and administered through the Tribe. He said this is not to compete with other employment, either O.E.O. or Raven, but is available only if there is no other employment, and it is available only to people on the reservation.

Mr. Joe Blacksmith introduced Dr. Spencer. Dr. Spencer said that his concern was with the health and the mental health of the community. He said we need to face some facts that affect us, and that is that there is a general feeling of despair and disappointment in the situation of the Tribe as it is. There

are a lot of people who have kind of given up. We see this in the people who, for example, will leave the hospital against medical advice and not take their medicine when they know they should, or people who have a problem with getting drunk frequently. These are things that I am concerned with, and I would like to help in the solutions. These are complex problems and there are no easy solutions. I would like to come sometime and propose some programs so that we can lick the feeling of inadequacy and problem of discipline in the minds of the people and the Tribe. I think a lot of people hate themselves. This is hard for people to understand. I think when a person gets drunk and beats up on his kids, there is a lot of hatred behind that and when he gets drunk and his inhibitions are removed, he feels that hate. I think the answer to this is love. This is hard to do. I am proposing that we can improve our brotherhood and sisterhood by helping to keep the jobs and industry, by helping each other, and how we handle the families of people who are drinking. Instead of taking the kids to a foster home, I think a better solution would be to keep the children in the camp and go in and teach the children what a real family is. Other things which can be done is having a psychiatrist and social worker come in and set up a community health program. I hope Raven will become familiar with our problems and know that we need the industry and need it badly.

Mr. Gilbert Big Eagle told about a couple men who had been drunkards and went away to get the cure, and when they came back they were offered drinks by their friends and went back to drinking.

Dr. Spencer agreed that these people need help, not the offer of a drink, and that as a community, we must change.

Dr. Mann, the pharmacist told of the diabetes screening program and its importance as, if detected in its early stages, it can be controlled so people can lead normal lives. He advised everyone to come to the clinic Friday for this testing. He also said that if anyone has any questions regarding the medication prescribed, to be sure and ask and let them know, because they cannot correct the problem unless they know about it. He said they have been advised that sometimes people are mixed up on the color of the pills, but that Public Health Service buys their medicines from several different companies, and although it may be the same medicine, it may be a different color.

Mr. LaBelle thanked the doctors and said that this check on Friday would be to our advantage. He introduced Mr. Edzards, Superintendent.

Mr. Edzards said he was glad to be here and he advised the people on some remarks of the new Commissioner, Mr. Bruce, who said that the new administration opposes termination. Mr. Edzards: I think this tribe should be commended on their self determination. He told about the recent land purchases, that it was the first time a financial arrangement was made like that, but in any event the land was bought and it will be a stronger tribe with more resources and more opportunities and that these resources must be developed to obtain the benefits. Mr. Edzards stressed the importance of education, of being at school every day and not missing school, and told of the modern building we

have in Lower Brule and the addition of kindergarten and the planned addition of two more classrooms, and the fold of the funds available for each child who wants to go on to college. He agreed with the importance of good health and good mental health. He told of the 40 houses which are tentatively approved and that we will be one of the best housed people in the country and that the people are not hungry and not cold. He said that in their inventory it shows that 60% of the population is under 25 and 50% under 18, and this is important because the future of the Tribe will depend on what is done with this 50%. There has been a great change and real improvement over at the school since headstart and kindergarten have been in operation and that these children have the best start of any class that has been here in Lower Brule, and that they hope to maintain this momentum through the grades.

Mr. Edzards assured everyone that Raven is a reputable company and they are offering an opportunity which hasn't been offered in the past, but again, it is up to us. Whether it succeeds or fails will depend on the employee, and it will be a real asset to the community.

Mr. LaBelle then called on Mr. Kemmons, the legal aid attorney. Mr. Kemmons said that they come to Lower Brule once a week, generally on Tuesday, and they will provide legal representation for persons who are unable financially to hire an attorney. He introduced Mr. Bruce Whitmore, who will be working mainly in the area of preventive law and that he may be in Lower Brule on Tuesdays and possibly Fridays.

Mr. John Estes asked if they have any rules about hiring the people on the reservation and giving Lower Brule people first preference. The chairman said this had been discussed and the enrolled members will be given preference.

Mr. John Estes: When people are working and get fired or lose their job, is welfare going to be there ready to hand out a check? I think that is what is spoiling the people.

Mr. Madsen: If there is other employment available, it is not our policy. I don't think we can set an over all policy as each case is different. As a general rule and hopefully, when other employment is available, this program is not available.

Mr. Christensen: We feel very strongly that if the corporation is going to succeed, it wouldn't do us any good to import people. The people here are the ones who must make a success of it. That is the basic principal we must have. This welfare problem is faced not only on an Indian Reservation but in Sioux Falls. We have the same problem in Sioux Falls, because if I fire someone they get an unemployment check and come back and ask others why they are working.

John Estes asked if there were any age group, or if they would hire high school drop outs.

Mr. Christensen: Your people must be 18 years old, 18 to 65. If you are willing to do the job, we can hire you. That is very basic and very simple.

Mr. Madsen: Let's not forget the Tribe. If there is a complaint, come to me and say so. We will be glad to discuss it. This is a tribe and let's not forget it. We can use the backing of the tribe as well as the Bureau.

Mr. Silas Black Dog also gave a talk to the people in Indian.

Mr. Altwin Grassrope asked about using the school gym for independent basketball. Mr. Edzards said Mr. Mackey is acting principal, and applications are being taken to fill the position. Wherever possible, they have tried to let it be used for purposes which won't interfere with school purposes. Maybe when the new principal gets here, a schedule could be worked out.

Linda Ducheneaux inquired about amending the tribal constitution so that the people can elect the chairman instead of the council doing this. The chairman said to change the constitution requires a referendum vote of the people and they could bring this up at the next council meeting. This did come up for a vote before, but not enough people voted.

The chairman thanked everyone for coming and the meeting adjourned.

Soup, coffee, crackers and doughnuts were served both before and after the meeting.

Joan Mousseau

Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
CREDIT COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 5, 1969

The credit committee meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on November 5th, 1969, with members present as follows:

Charles Langdeau
J. W. Thompson
Orville Langdeau
Clarence Thompson, Sr.
George McKay
Lawrence Thompson

Mr. McKay explained that what Lawrence wanted to do was to modify his loan and make it for a longer term and to borrow enough to buy fifteen more head of cattle. Charles asked if he sold yet and Lawrence said no, that he will sell the 13th, if someone wants to come and count.

Clarence Thompson: While we are thinking of this, I have some business here too. I am going to put a bill in on Lawrence against his cattle for last winter. We ran out of feed ourselves and we lost cattle and we had to buy feed to get through. This year we are in the same shape. We are all low on hay. I for one have to go to my boss and lay my chips on the table. He said to go ahead and spot the hay and find a place you can go that you are sure of, so I have a couple of places. But it is going to cost something. I don't want to be too unreasonable; I think Lawrence knows it himself. We had to buy hay this spring at \$25 a ton and haul it ourselves, and the alfalfa was \$30 a ton. These are stacks that they ate off of with mine. To make a long story short, I will charge him \$25 a ton for 16 tons of hay, about \$400. I will put that in the form of a bill and present this. Since this came up, this is a good time to release it. I don't see why I should go through all that. I can't afford to feed someone else's cattle, not at those prices. So that is all for now. Mr. Chairman, you weigh that in your mind.

Charles asked what George has. Mr. McKay said that his present loan balance is \$20,436.86, and he wanted to buy 15 head which would add \$3,715, to make \$24,151.86. That would be spread over a ten year period, to make his payments \$2,415 for nine years and the last year \$2,416.86. Charles asked how it was now and George replied to be paid back in 4 years or 5. Orville asked if he intended to make his payment this year. Lawrence said yes, as soon as he sells his cattle, and that is why he wanted to ask, whether he would need to pay back \$4,200 this year or the \$2,415. He said he wanted to keep back at least 10 heifers. J. W. Thompson asked how many cows that would make him. Lawrence said about 149 with the heifers.

Clarence said that he should also buy some feed.

Lawrence: Well, let that go then because I want to get along. I worked my tail off last year feeding and fixing fences and I thought I was going over board to watch over my stock. I am glad this feed bill was brought out in the open because I don't know which way to go from here on out.

Clarence: There is only one way to go. I think he can see my point, and the rest of them can too.

Lawrence said he had between 5 and 600 ton. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that should be enough hay for 150 cows, as that is more than he has. Lawrence said he also had some corn and milo.

Mr. J. W. Thompson suggested he give Clarence 16 tons of that and then they would be square. Lawrence said he had stacked hay, stacked oats and corn insulage, and Clarence could have some. Clarence said he didn't care about corn insulage.

Clarence asked if Lawrence would fix the fence. Lawrence said he was fixing it today.

Charles: Lawrence, do you think your cattle ate up 16 tons of Clarence's hay?

Lawrence: Well, I will say that there were cattle in there at sometimes, more times than I wanted them too. But that is equivalent to more than three hay stacks.

Clarence: I figured two 8-ton stacks.

Lawrence: There were several times I went down and fed the cows and they just stood and bawled, not because of lack of feed, but because it was so cold and no sun. There was plenty of feed there. It wasn't a lack of feed because they had enough. I was doing my darnedest to keep the fences up. I think \$300 would be a great lot.

Clarence: I thought I quoted it a little low.

Lawrence: You fellows have the reins in your hand and can do whatever you want. I feel like there is a little lesh on my neck, so you go ahead and do whatever you want to do and I will follow along.

Charles said he thought they should settle this themselves. J. W. Thompson: I feel that what we are primarily interested in is to get our payment back on the cattle and see that the leases are paid. Your other bills that come up for trespass, I think that is the individual's responsibility. I would think you guys could work out something to make some sort of an adjustment on the feed.

Lawrence: If you think it is better to put more for feed, why don't you go ahead and drop those 15 cows and allow some for feed in case I need it. If I don't need it, it will be just that much back on the loan. If we have a long winter and worse comes to worse and I need to buy some extra stacks, I would have the money to buy them with. If I don't need it, it can go back on my loan payment. When you fellows come down, you can see my feed supply and count my livestock.

Clarence: All I want is some insurance that I am going to get taken care of. I don't know what is going to come, but it better come. I am not going to sit all winter with this on my chest. I have got to buy feed myself. I don't know where to go.

Charles: what about the loan, do you want to modify it?

Mr. McKay: I have it written up for 15 head of cattle; there could be two options, approve it for cattle or modify it, and spread the payments for a few years. As long as a fellow has cattle, it strengthens his loan. This would cut his payment down to \$2415 and give him a chance to accumulate more cattle and replacement heifers.

Charles: Does anyone want to make a motion to modify?

Orville: The cattle or feed?

Lawrence: I was hoping the cattle, but don't know with this problem. If it would make everyone feel better, why don't I make this \$2500 instead of \$3715 for the cows. With that \$2500 I will pay Clarence \$400 for his feed so everything will be paid away, and I will turn that much back in and call it square. It will be on the record that I have my feed bill paid.

J. W. Thompson: I will make a motion to go along with his last proposal. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

J. W. Thompson: I have something to bring up before this committee. A number of guys have been asking about replenishing that water development fund. That is all gone and all obligated. Some need water for wintering cattle. J. W. Thompson made a motion to take the money paid back this year (on cattle loans) and set it aside for water development, to insure that cattle are properly taken care of. Just like they did the other money, as a grant in conjunction with the A.S.C. program. The committee discussed this and the motion died for lack of a second.

J. W. Thompson amended the motion to make it a loan fund for water development rather than a grant. Orville Langdeau said he would second that if it is on a loan basis. J. W. Thompson said it was understood they are to go with A.S.C. on cost sharing. The motion carried with four for and none against.

J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

*Motion at Credit Com. meeting
on Nov 15 that interest
at 5%*

John Mousseau
John Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 1969

The credit committee meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the afternoon of November 19th, with the following members present:

J. W. Thompson
Clarence Thompson
Orville Langdeau

REQUEST FOR WELL - Mr. Richard Thompson: I have an artesian well which is almost gone dry and the pipes are rusted out and I need a new one and don't have the funds. I am with P.C. but I have gone to the limit of my credit with them. I know it is not the policy of the tribe to give away money, but we have built wells before and exceptions have been made. I thought I would come down and lay the cards on the table and ask for your help, because if this well goes dry, I have two dams, but they are silted in and will freeze over and if this well goes dry I will be plumb without water. Clarence said at the last credit committee meeting it was suggested that the money paid in this year from the tribal operators be set aside for emergency water development; however that was on a loan basis. Bill said that a loan wouldn't do him too much good as it will be quit a few years before he gets his equity back up because of the loss he had last winter. He said it would probably be two or three years before he could even start to pay back on it. He said he had to get through this winter some way if he wants to stay in the business. He said that he had to leave and would let the committee discuss this and he would come back tomorrow for the answer.

JERARD JANDREAU LIVESTOCK LOAN - Jerard Jandreau came in and said George McKay has all his information, but it is about as follows: 196 cows, 6 bulls 41 calves; 10 stacks of cane, 37 stacks of hay, 1,000 straw and hay bales, and 6 tons of cake. He said he made his payment and his interest and paid his leases, and he wanted to know if he could have the balance to pay his bills. He said he had about 13 more cows he wanted to sell, some with ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ cancer eyes, 3 or 4 lame ones, one or two old ones. He also has one lame bull he wants to sell, and wanted to butcher one cow; that would make 14 culls to sell. And he wanted to buy back a bull. He said he sold 124 calves and 20 yearlings and the check net was about \$18,366 or something like that. J. W. Thompson said it sounds like he is doing all right, so He made a motion to allow him to do as he requested. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

ALFRED ZIEGLER LEASE - A note from Alfred Ziegler was read requesting to lease some land. The Atlas, Map 42, was referred to and J. W. Thompson pointed out the quarter he thought Alfred wanted. J. W. Thompson made a motion to lease Alfred half of Section 36, Twp. 107-108 North, Range 74 West. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

J. W. Thompson Request for Lease - J. W. Thompson said he wanted to lease that quarter bought from the Department of Game Fish and Parks, that he didn't know about the price but imagined they would charge a farm price because they paid so much for it. Clarence Thompson said this should go through the council. J. W. Thompson said the farming and grazing rates are set all over the reservation, the farming rate being \$2 something an acre, close to \$3, and he requested the lease. Orville Langdeau made a motion to lease these two quarters. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with three for and none against.

Richard Thompson Request for a well - Richard Thompson's request was discussed further. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give him a loan for the difference (on A.S.C. cost sharing), at 5% interest, payable in 10 years, 1/10th each year. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

Andrew Estes Livestock Loan - Joyce Estes came to the meeting with the cattle count, sales receipts, and bills they wanted to pay. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve Andrew's budget. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

Request for lease - A request was read from Andrew Estes requesting a lease on some land, the north half and the south half of the road up by Harry Iron Elk's place. As this is in Buster's unit, this was tabled until they could talk with Buster. Buster was to come in today, but said he might be late. The committee recessed until 4:00, in hopes he would be there by then.

(The meeting reconvened at 4:00)

Lawrence Thompson cattle loan - Lawrence Thompson said he had sold and that Clarence had come down and counted. He said he had 130 yearlings and kept back 10 heifer calves and 12 late calves, so he kept back 21 head, and he has six bulls. Lawrence said he talked with Mr. Scheli and asked what his view would be if he would pay \$600 on that note this summer, and if he could sort of rob Peter to pay Paul -- make a check to them for \$2,703.75 and then turn around and borrow some back on that and make another payment next spring when he sold some of these late calves. Mr. Scheli had said he would have to talk to the council about that. Clarence asked what the \$600 was. Lawrence said last year he was short on his payments and the council okayed \$4800 providing he gave 80 acres of land as security. Anyway, he got money from the bank and paid them back \$600. He got \$4800 and now owes them \$4400, and the money went for bills. Lawrence said nothing went that was foolish, it was for fencing materials, feed, fuel and expenses. He said his count was 127 head of cows, 136 head. J. W. Thompson asked how much he owes here and Lawrence said \$20,000. J. W. Thompson said he didn't think Lawrence was making much head way; He has about \$27,000 worth of cattle and owe over \$24,000, so your net worth is only about \$4,000 and this is your fourth year. J. W. Thompson said the deal with the bank was that it would be in two payments, also the lease, and payment plus interest. I think that is what we have to have you pay - half of that down at the bank, the money on the principal and interest, and the leases. Lawrence said he had paid in his leases.

Lawrence said what it all boils down to, I am \$1800 short. He said he could make those payments, and then get \$1600 back to make the other payments. J. W. Thompson asked about his leases and he said he paid \$3,494.70 and has a 250 cow unit. J. W. Thompson said that is 120 more cow units than you have. You are paying \$2200 more for that that you could get along without. Lawrence said he couldn't get along without it because he cuts hay down home and pasture them up here, and said he had 7 stacks of hay. J. W. Thompson: in order to make that pay out, you have to fill every cow unit you have. Otherwise, that is an expense. There is an awful small margin in the cow business between your expenses and what your cows bring in. It takes a lot of good management now days to make things pay. If you had 130 more cows that you are paying for and don't have, you would have \$12,000 more for expenses, with no more leases than you are paying now. Lawrence said this was discussed at one meeting. I was going to buy more cows but I let them go to get the feed instead.

Clarence: I know this cattle business is a full time job. That is one reason I mentioned it at the time you had your loan, that if we gave you your cattle, would you live with them? You said you would, you would quit your job and take care of the cattle. But when you got them, you lived away from them. Lawrence said the loan was supposed to have been for 150 head also. Clarence: Do you think if you stayed home and put your full time to the cattle business, that you could do better, or do you have to work on the side and run two places.

Lawrence: There is no way that I can make it on that 127 cows, no. I have eight youngsters going to school and I would still have to drive back and forth twice a day, four trips, to take them in the morning and bring them back in the evening, as there are no buses down there. We have got to eat from year to year and the kids have to have clothes.

J. W. Thompson: It seems like it takes your whole calf crop to pay your bills. I don't see where you have much left over. If you totaled up everything, you would have to sell more cows to pay your bills and that is going backwards. The only way you could make it would be to keep everything for two years. Then you would have 180 or 190 calves to sell and you could keep 30. . . . If you are in business four years and have just what you started out with and more debts than the cows are worth, you are not going anywhere. I wouldn't operate any business unless I was going forward. I never would have more than 10 or 15 cow units than what I had cattle for. Right now you are paying in \$2,000 more than you need to pay in. If you had that, you could make all your bills. Also, your cows will only be good for three or four more years. You need to put some back in and keep the herd number up. You don't keep anything by keeping calves in the winter and selling them in the spring. They don't put any weight back on until July. J. W. Thompson: If you want to pay your lease, the bank, the principal and interest and the bank, I will make a motion to accept that. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

Meeting with Sylvester LaRoche - As Buster didn't make it in today to discuss his leases, Clarence Thompson made a motion to give him another chance to come in, next Wednesday at 1:00. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with three for, none against.

Request for loan - William Ziegler said he needs a loan, that he has money ~~in~~ in the bait shop account but can't touch it until the insurance thing is settled. He said he needs money to make payroll for putting in the basements, that Buckingham will reimburse him on the 5th, but he is required to make weekly payroll, and will need it before then, and also needs \$350 for supplies to start. \$600 would make the first payroll and get the supplies out. Clarence Thompson said there wasn't much we could do today as there is not a quorum here, but that we would have another credit committee meeting next Wednesday if he wanted to come, at 1:00.

Adjournment - J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with three for, none against.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 26, 1969

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building, Lower Brule, South Dakota, on November 26, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at 1:30 p.m. with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	
Orville Langdeau	Charles Langdeau
J. W. Thompson	Clarence Thompson
Grace Estes	
Kay Gourneau	

(1)

LEASE OF LAND IN TURN-KEY HOUSING PROJECT - Mr. Joe Brewer said that the way this housing works, in building the houses on the tracts, the land owners and the Tribe would lease the land to the contractor with the right to assign the lease to the Housing Authority and they designate who is to occupy the houses. He said he would need a resolution from the Tribe agreeing to lease these various tracts, the tribal tracts in the rural areas and the townsite, and the lease would be for 25 years with the option to renew for 25 more. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to do this. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(2)

WILSON LAND - A letter from Attorney Lindley concerning the Wilson land sale was read. This was discussed and it was agreed that the Tribe should write to Attorney Lindley informing him that the Tribe is not trying to prevent any sale, but this land is within the tribal consolidation area and we too are interested in acquiring it, and to advise him further that no application for sale has been filed at the Pierre Agency and there is an estate involved which has not yet been probated.

(3)

SYLVESTER LAROCHE LEASE - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request that Buster come to the next regular council meeting on Wednesday at 10:30. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(4)

LETTER FROM VERN ASHLEY - Mrs. Grace Estes said that we would be getting a letter from Mr. Vern Ashley in regard to some food and clothing donated by some people in California which will be for distribution on the reservations, and that the Tribe would need to pick this up in Pierre, in December.

(5)

ADJOURNMENT - J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried, four for, none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting held on Nov. 26, 1969.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
DECEMBER 3, 1969

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on December 3, 1969, and was called to order by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, at about 10:15 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson
Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau
Kay Courneau
J. W. Thompson
Grace Estes

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

LETTER FROM ATTORNEY LINDLEY - A letter dated November 30th from Attorney Lindley was read. The letter primarily concerned the sale of the Wilson land but also mentioned other things concerning medical care through the Public Health Service and also the location of a high school. The council discussed these things.

(2)

LEASES OF LAND - Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that we have a complete evaluation of the land use program, including leases and permits, to insure that cattle operators are not allowed to lease more land than they need, and to include in the motion that this evaluation should be made before any more additional land is leased. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against. It was agreed that the land committee, together with Mr. Brewer and Mr. Herrington, should make this evaluation and the date of Friday, December 12th, at 10:00 a.m. was set for the meeting.

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EMPLOYMENT TRAINING MEETING - Mr. Edzards inquired if anyone was going to attend the conference in Bismark concerning employment training. The chairman said that he and Joyce would plan to go.

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SYLVESTER LAROCHE LEASE - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give Buster until the 31st to complete his leases and get them paid in together with his delinquency and if not paid in full by then, the land will be declared available for lease. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

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APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The chairman stated that we have an invoice for the period of Oct. 17th thru Nov. 16th for \$138.97. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's invoice, seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - Mr. Orville Langdeau asked if we have heard any more on the balance of \$7500 due. The chairman said we would need to check with Attorney Larson to see if he has had any word on it.

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ENROLLMENT - Requests for enrollment and birth certificates were received for Fay Martell Jandreau, son of Roberta and Fay Jandreau, and for Kathy Jan Ziegler, daughter of Alfred and Gayle Ziegler. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve these enrollments. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against. A third request was received but no action taken until receipt of the birth certificate.

(8)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT - A high school educational grant application was received for Arnold Gene Sazue and approved by Mr. Mackey. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve this grant, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

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FEDERAL AND STATE EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Mr. Edzards said there would be a meeting in Aberdeen on December 11th and 12th to discuss the various Federal and State grants available to Indian students who want to continue their education. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that every effort should be made to get funds from every source available and to come back to the Tribe only as a last resort.

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TOWN STREET REPAIR - Mr. Edzards said that on the seal coat on the streets, they do have oil but because of the cold weather, they will leave it and put another coat on in the spring.

(The meeting recessed for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall, and reconvened at 1:20 p.m.)

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SYLVESTER LAROCHE LEASES - The chairman called Mr. LaRoche into the meeting and asked him what his plans are. Mr. LaRoche said that he did have different plans, but now he has decided to just let everything go, and he would have a sale between now and spring to sell what stock he has left. The council discussed this with Buster and advised him of the motion made this morning allowing him until the end of December to renew his leases. Buster said to just let it go and he would sell his remaining stock between now and spring, and the council discussed this with him and how much land he would need to run until then. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion that we let Buster have that quarter and 80 to run his cattle until he sells them, in about six months. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(12)

B.I.A. HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - Mr. Donald Isburg said that the B.I.A. has appropriated \$15,000 for home improvement for the Lower Brule Reservation and there are three types of home repair: 1) small patch-up repairs, 2) major renovating and additions to structurally sound homes, and 3) building new homes. He asked if the council would designate how much they wanted to spend in each category. Mr. Orville Langdeau inquired if the two home repair programs could be combined so that the Bureau could furnish the material and O.E.O. the labor.

The council discussed the home improvement program and said they would like to use the funds for three new houses and that we would need to contact Public Health to get their approval on water and sewer.

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APPOINTMENT AT SIOUX SAN - Mrs. Grace Estes reported that Mr. Franklin Estes, a tribal member, had been appointed as director at the Sioux San.

(14)

REQUEST FOR LAND - A letter was read from Mrs. Linda Ducheneaux requesting an allocation of land sufficient to run about 60 cows. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to place her name on the list for future reference in the event part of a unit may become available. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

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REPORT ON UNITED SIOUX MEETING - Mr. Clarence Thompson said at the United Sioux Meeting there was a discussion on a bill introduced in Congress whereby the Corps of Engineers wants an additional taking area up and down the lakes for the reason that the banks are caving and the water level is coming up higher. Mrs. Grace Estes mentioned also that at this meeting Mr. Dennis Hill, the Attorney for the United Sioux Tribes, requested that the Tribes report immediately if any Indian is refused services at any state institution. Foster home care for children was also discussed and they recommended if at all possible that the tribes set up a program whereby the tribes would find Indian foster homes for Indian children so they could grow up in that culture. There was also a discussion on red power and it was recommended that if hippie-type people come on the reservation to stir up trouble, that the councils take immediate action to get them off. Also, there are ten tons of food and clothing coming in to Pierre from California on the 14th and the different reservations should be there to pick up what is allotted for them. She said also that the Boys Club is a nation-wide organization and there will be a meeting tonight at 7:00 on this and they would like to know whether or not we want this.

(16)

TEEN CENTER - Mr. Orville Langdeau said he had talked with several of the kids and asked them what they thought of our recreation program so far, and everyone's answer is that they want a place of their own, a place where they could have some machines, a library, card tables, and their own council so to speak to see that there wouldn't be anyone to step out of line and cause them to lose it. He said he thought of the cafe building and thought it would be a good idea for the tribe to open that up to the kids, between 4-8 p.m. and on weekends, and he made a motion to that effect. It was discussed that this would be on a trial basis and temporary basis until someone wanted to run it as a cafe. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against. Mrs. Estes asked if we had decided who would be in there to supervise and Mr. Langdeau said we would have to pick someone.

(17)

EMERGENCY TRIPS TO CHAMBERLAIN HOSPITAL - Mrs. Estes said the C.H.R.'s are having a problem with people waiting until 9 or 10 in the evening when they are sick and then wanting the C.H.R.'s to make a trip to Chamberlain and get the doctor out. She suggested a schedule be worked out, and also, they will have to draw a line on whether it is an emergency or not.

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SCHOLARSHIP FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL - A letter was read telling of the Charles Eastman Fellowship which is a scholarship for Indians who would like to enter medical school. Anyone interested in this should write to Harris D. Riley, Jr., M.D., Children's Memorial Hospital, University of Oklahoma Medical Center, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

(19)

HIGH SCHOOL STEERING COMMITTEE - A letter was read suggesting that the council appoint alternate representatives to the high school committee. Mr. J. W. Thompson suggested we get a resolution from Crow Creek on the location as he didn't think we could get congress to kick in for our kids alone. Mrs. Gourneau said there would be no use in counting on Fort Thompson, but we were trying to do it without them, with Kennebec and Reliance.

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MEMBERSHIP, GREAT LAKES ASSOC. - A letter was read from the Great Lakes of South Dakota Association asking that Lower Brule pay their 1969 membership dues and telling of the work the Association has done in the construction of perimeter roads and developing recreation along the lakes. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to pay our membership dues. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

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NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. J. W. Thompson inquired about the Neighborhood Center and Mrs. Estes said that she saw an article in the paper saying this grant was approved.

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CARPET - A letter was read from Mr. Duane Harder telling of the availability of carpet from the Big Horn Carpet Mills located on the Crow Reservation and stating that they are willing to sell direct to Indian Tribes.

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TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Clarence Thompson said that the people getting these homes have questions and should be informed, either by letter or a meeting, about the type and size of home they are getting, what they are going to have to pay, etc. Mr. Orville Langdeau suggested having a meeting so they could ask any question and he said that he would set up a meeting and then we could inform all the participants of the day.

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FOUNDATIONS, TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. William Ziegler asked the council if the Tribe would make the payroll for him on this foundation work until he gets paid from Buckingham, which would probably be about three payrolls. A letter was read from Buckingham Wood Products stating that checks for concrete work

on this project would be made payable jointly to the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and William Ziegler. Mr. Charles L. deau made a motion to go along with Billy's deal on the payroll for about three weeks, the money to be paid back. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

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701 PLANNING STUDY - Mr. Carl Smith introduced Mr. John Crane of the Leo A. Daly Company, which is a planning, architectural and engineering company. He said several years ago we had a 701 Planning Study made for the reservation and although Daly Company was not hired before, they would help with continued planning work which consists of reviewing with the council the various projects of the plan and helping to put that plan into effect, or to make revisions in the plan. Copies of a proposed agreement were distributed to the council and the total cost of the services would be about \$4500 per year; of this the tribe would be obligated for \$1125 and the remaining cost would be born by the Federal government through the State Planning Agency. These planning studies were discussed and the Chairman asked if they would give us some time to think this over and thanked them for coming.

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INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE - The Industrial Conference to be held in St. Louis next week was discussed and the chairman said first Grace and Ku, would be going from Lower Brule, and also Mr. Kittelson from Raven would attend.

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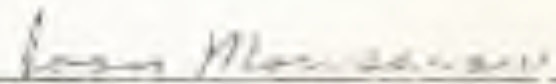
CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETINGS - In regard to the lease of the Little Bend land, it was suggested to put it up for bid like with the Gifford Ranch so that the Tribe can get their money back, and it was suggested that the land and credit committee take care of this at their meeting. Water development was discussed and the various ranchers needing wells were named.

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ADJOURNMENT - Motion by Mrs. Grace Estes to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on December 3, 1969.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
LAND AND CREDIT COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 12, 1969

The land and credit committee meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the afternoon of December 12, 1969, with the following present:

Charles Langdeau, Committee Chairman	
Clarence Thompson	Joe Brewer
Orville Langdeau	Douglas Herrington
George McKay	
J. W. Thompson	

Mr. Charles Langdeau said the first thing on the docket is to go over the leases and find out how much land everyone leases. Mr. Herrington said he could answer for the range units, and Joe would have to answer for the direct leases. The cattle count was also given for each operator with the understanding that this varies from month to month, that yearling calves are not included, and that a horse, which is equivalent to 1½ cows, are not included..

Jerauld Jandreau - Range Unit 50 - 6,371 acres

Part of his range unit with 320 acres under lease included is on and off; 187 acres up on top of the hill is hay grass; he has in addition another 240 separated.

This area in the unit has a capacity for 289 cow units, and he has about 202 cows.

In addition to his range unit, he has 274 acres of farm land, some of it is across the road, and 66 acres of farm land up here. 22 acres per cow is his carrying capacity.

Amy Carpenter - 4,139 acres with a carrying capacity of 207 cows; Last year she had about 180 cows, and the count is going down a few each year.

Andrew Estes - He has 4,535 acres with a carrying capacity of 206 cows. His count is 176 adult cows.

Langdeaus - Mr. Herrington said he had all four of the Langdeaus together, with 24,772 acres; 1,127 cow capacity; and a total of 1,068 cows. They also have about 27 horses which would be about 40 cow units, so they are within about 20 of their total carrying capacity.

Alfred Ziegler - 3,083 acres, some is on and off; with a 124 cow carrying capacity and he has 150 cows and wants to save some calves back.

Richard Thompson - 5,122 acres with 233 carrying capacity and he has 224 cows.

Lucille and Pat Durkin - 10,250 acres; 513 carrying capacity and 428 cows actual count.

J. W. Thompson - 5,743 acres with 281 cow capacity; He has 308 cows: 273 breeding stock, 25 heifers which belong to his daughter, and 10 bulls. He said he was going to sell some after he pregnancy tests. He said he has some cows clear over to Medicine Creek.

Fay Jandreau - 5,169 acres with 258 carrying capacity. His count was not available but Kay Gourneau indicated she had it somewhere and would get it.

Lawrence Thompson - 5,333 acres with 276 cow capacity; 147 is his present stock: 127 cows, 3 heifers, 6 bulls, with 136 total and 10 heifers to keep back. The committee thought he was understocked for the land.

Baunita Ness - 5,248 acres; 238 capacity; 224 cows present stock

Floyd Thompson - 1,740 acres; 87 capacity; Mr. Herrington said he didn't have the count but last he knew it was about 65.

Buster LaRue - 4,223 acres, 191 capacity; Part of this is range unit, part of it on and off, and part of it leased.

Clarence Thompson - 5,381 acres with 244 capacity; 199 cows is count

Vera Gandt - 5,772 acres, 289 capacity; 284 cows. They are short pasture because they have six or seven horses.

J. W. Thompson asked if he had any report on non-Indian leases and said he thought we should see how much is leased by non-Indians and that could be made available. Mr. Herrington said we have only four permittees: The Medicine Creek Grazing Assoc., Dallas, Gormans and Gillmans. Karlan has no more. Orville said he heard Karlan had some down at Lawrence's. Clarence said not now, that Karlan is getting rid of his surplus. Joe Brewer said that Karlan has 760 or 780 under lease: Some from Emma Bad Horse, that 40 of Mrs. Zieglers, and some from Walt Sazue.

Joe Brewer reported on the leases, mostly farm land:

Svoboda - 320 or 480 acres of lease

Wynia - 640 acres. There is a 620 acre allotment that if we could get that into a range unit, it is all together and adjoins Buster's old unit.

Gus Allen - 160 acres leased from Walt Sazue.

Earl Christenson - Is leasing 1/4 acre submarginal land and grass, and 115 acres of Allotment 171, and another 140.

Rosco Huson - 320 acres

Also Gillman.

The Grazing Association land was discussed and there are four quarters, but they are not worth fencing and developing water on. The tribe has been getting the money for them on a yearly lease basis.

J. W. Thompson: What precipitated this meeting was the requests by tribal members for land to run cattle on and I thought the purpose was to see what could be made available.

Orville Langdeau presented a list of those requesting land that dates way back and some were turned down, the list being as follows:

Wilbur Thompson
 Orville Langdeau
 Doc and Vera Gandt
 Alfred Ziegler
 Andrew Estes
 Mike Jandreau
 Billy Ziegler
 Clarence Thompson
 Brenda Harres
 Kay Gourneau
 Marilyn Harmon
 Linda Ducheneaux

(Felix Quilt, Jr. and Kay Johnson subsequently added to the list)

Wilbur has since gone over to the P.C.A. and is working with Eddie Martin. Clarence said that Lawrence is supposed to have a unit over south where he put in that pump and R.E.A. posts, but all those gates down there are open and Martin's cattle are in their with his feed. On Lawrence's fence, he said they would start out that day, but they haven't done a thing since. It still isn't fixed. Lawrence started on the fence but was putting the posts over two rods beyond where the old fence was so Clarence said he stopped him. Lawrence had the surveyors come down and they said the old line was right but Clarence said he still hadn't done anything more and the posts are still there. Orville reported that Bob Olson has been fixing fence for Lawrence and had called Orville saying he has \$325 worth of work that he hasn't been paid for and wanted to know if the tribe was going to do anything as he couldn't get paid from Lawrence. Clarence said while we are on the subject, I think someone besides himself should check his feed supply, as all he has is insulage and it takes roughage to feed with that. Charles Langdeau asked George McKay if he could check it and George said he would be down there with Clarence Jr. next week and would check Lawrence at the same time.

Orville: If the tribe is going to continue the cattle loan business, I think we should take action where it is needed rather than to be afraid of stepping on someone's toes, because there are only about fifteen in the business. There is a lot of money out and not too much coming back in. I think we should think like the outsiders do. I don't see why the fifteen names should be babied and given all the consideration and the rest of the tribe go to hell. What I would like to know is how far the tribe is going to let them build themselves up and let the rest of the people go. There are more people eligible to get in this business and I think there should be more time devoted to this and a complete study made, because I have heard of favoritism from one operator to the other and that isn't right in my book. I don't think we should be afraid or have to worry about hurting someone's feelings because we are here to do a job for the tribe. At the rate we are going now, there will be a certain percent of these fifteen who will be so far above the others and subsidized off the tribe 90% of the way, and the other people go without. One meeting isn't going to solve it, but I think a complete study should be made and the whole thing revamped.

Charles: What kind of a proposal do you have?

Orville: I am not a brain, I don't have all the answers. But I think the council should work on this with the people's interest in mind, not a personal interest.

Clarence: I think all phases of the administration end should be worked out like this. That is what we are here for.

Orville: The people in the cattle business today have been there for years.

Clarence: You Can't just put someone in there who knows nothing about it, because it is a tough business. I am a cattle man and I am a councilman. Clarence told of all the things done for the people in town too, the community buildings, the housing, employment, etc. It was also mentioned that the cattle men shouldn't be considered rich just because they have cattle, that a poor man in the world today is considered to have an income of \$7500, and that there isn't that much in the cattle business.

J. W. Thompson: I think we have been fortunate to collect everything that has been loaned out on the cattle program. We are more fortunate than other reservations. Out on other reservations, many have gone broke and the Tribe has taken a loss on everyone they have repossessed. That hasn't happened on this reservation yet. This is one of the few reservations where mostly all the land is used by the Indians. This reservation has been commended in a number of places by having good loan clients.

Joe Brewer said the figures on land use show only 5% of the land used by non-Indians.

Charles: I think the tribe has a good business. We did set up the cafe and all we have is the building.

Orville: Actually, what we need in this town is facilities. We have only two places for the people to go.- The store and the bar. You set up just \$25,000 for small business and that isn't much money compared to cattle operators.

J. W. Thompson: It takes more for a cattle operation. In order to have an economic unit, you must have 150 cows.

Joe Brewer: Small business takes population, and the cattle business takes acres.

Herrington: Industry figures it takes \$20,000 per man.

J. W. Thompson: When we closed the books on the store, there were \$15,000 out on the books.

Orville said that was the fault of the man they had to manage it. The electronics building was built with one man in mind - Robson.

J. W. Thompson: You wouldn't have Raven in here now if you didn't have a building.

Orville asked about the neighborhood center and it was reported that the additional grant amount had now been approved.

Jerauld Jandreau had been waiting and Charles asked him if he had anything. Jerauld said he heard they wanted some figures on his cattle so he came down. Charles told him he thought we had it.

Orville: Getting back to the land, do you fellows figure on keeping it all to yourselves or letting new people in?

Charles: We have Buster's unit up there that can be leased. That Gifford Ranch, what should we do with it?

Clarence: The sticker is we don't have money to set up operators.

Charles: I think there was an agreement on the Gifford ranch to lease it out to the highest bidder, Indian operator or white.

Orville: Are you going to set up a credit committee meeting?

J. W. Thompson: I thought that is what this was.

Charles: What about the land the tribe bought up at Little Bend?

J. W. Thompson: If you want to advertise it, I wish you would go along with the stipulation to let an Indian meet the highest bid.

Orville: Said he thought it should be for the tribal benefit. You have all that land up there, unless you want the whole reservation. And he mentioned also \$20,000 worth of irrigation equipment.

Charles: I meant to put it out for bid to the highest bidder. What kind of idea do you have? I am open to any ideas. I have ideas, but you have to have people to run something like that.

Orville: You can hire someone to run something like that. You would want to make the most money you can out of it. You have to have a manager to take care of it, but that isn't so hard to find.

Clarence: Something like that happened a few years ago, speaking about irrigation. We had that all going one way at one time. We built that up and it took two years to build it up. It was all tribal land under the tribal council's hands. We were headed that way and we talked about a tribal project until at one meeting . . . all of a sudden one councilman opposed it and ran it down. I asked what was wrong with it. You were always for tribal programs. All of a sudden you run it down. Someone else made a motion to reject it and it was seconded. The chairman had to put it on the floor and they threw it out. I was the only one who voted against this. I can't figure this out.

J. W. Thompson: You are talking about me. You were going to lease 4,000 acres out from under me. You never had any thought for the individual. You didn't give a God dam for me. Where was I to go with my cattle.

Clarence: That all went out the window and I was off the council for two years and the same thing came up. It was sub-leased to an individual. Now 160 acres seems like a big deal. There were thousands of acres involved in that lease.

J. W. Thompson: I will set the record straight. That Dejonne Strickland came in from Texas and wanted to give \$1.25 an acre for 25 years and was going to take the whole bend. That is when I came to the council and said I would take a crack at that irrigation. There is terrific overhead in this and it takes shrewd management and it will take good management. You were glad to give that to Strickland because it would have knocked you out.. How would you all feel if that happened to you? You were going to knock me right out. I am paying the going price agreed on by the council. I think a person has to have a couple years to make it work and make it come out.

Orville: How do you figure you rate that equipment, \$20,000 worth?

J. W. Thompson: I don't. The Tribe bought that and leased it out for six years. When I got it, it was worn out. He told of the repair and problems with the pump motor and said that he has it leased and is going to ask the Tribe to fix it, or else lower the lease as he is paying for it.

J. W. Thompson: I don't believe in penalizing anyone for being a success. I am proud of the guys who have made a success of their operations and I am going to look out for them.

Orville: I am going over them.

J. W. Thompson: I think the Tribe ought to put a motor in up there or cut down that lease. I am paying just what the Tribe set for the others who used it.

J. W. Thompson: If the Tribe wants to irrigate up there, I will be glad to give up the land to them. I don't care to irrigate. I will gladly give up the land if they will give me that pasture as they agreed to do. The tribe will have to pay to level the land.

Charles: Getting back to this land, what do you think we should do? Should we advertise it or would you want to make a tribal project out of it?

Orville: I don't know right now, but I think we should have some time to decide.

The piece of land purchased at the Bend was discussed and Charles said maybe we should have let Karlan have it. J. W. Thompson said he looked at these guys and they told him to go on with the bidding. If Karlan got in there, you know he would be right in the middle of that reclamation project and would have done everything he could to control the water up there. The land is 1 1/2 miles from the river and you would have at least a \$60,000 investment in leveling before you could irrigate that.

Charles: Any more business?

J. W. Thompson: I want to get rid of Buster's unit and see if people are eligible or what. It is laying there available and there are people asking for it.

Orville: Is this a credit committee meeting too?

J. W. Thompson: We are talking about land.

Clarence: I think whenever land becomes available when it is too far for people to live, I think it should go to people in that area. Like for my people, we are waiting for a place down where we live. We have no business up here. I think that policy is fair.

Charles: Orville, you were turned down three times you said?

Orville: I had the machinery, I had the hay, but I still wasn't eligible. I asked for some land up there but the answer I got from Richard, who laughed about it, was that there is a canal going through up there. Well, J. W. is still up there. I said if the time ever came, I would be in a position to move. I was also turned down several other times. I worked with cattle from the time I was ten years old and know cattle.

Charles: Are you still interested?

Orville: Sure I am. I know I will never get one.

Charles: I don't know why you wouldn't.

Orville: The original plan was for the water to come across at the narrows. At the meeting when the land was discussed, Mose came out and talked to me and said I and Wilbur would get our loans. Like a fool I believed him and walked away and Wilbur got his. I didn't.

Charles: Let's continue and get something done or table it or something.

Clarence: Whatever is brought up here will have to go before the council.

Charles: I hate to take anyone out from this list who may have since changed their mind.

Orville: What made me mad when I was turned down was that others didn't have any chance but yet they gave them cattle.

Clarence told how they by-passed him also, until they must have gotten to the bottom of the list as they finally let him have some land and he got other financing.

J. W. Thompson: We could send out questionnaires to see how ready they are.

Charles: They could go to F.H.A.

Orville: I would like to make a motion to table this until the regular council meeting when we are all there. The motion was carried with four for and none against.

Orville moved to adjourn, seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with 4 for and none against.

Mr. Herrington said he was waiting until after the meeting adjourned as he didn't want to go on record as favoring or against, but that he wanted to say that J. W. Thompson is paying the same rate as those who operated before him, \$8.00 an acre. As for the equipment, it was leased for three years before Halverson used it to a non-Indian. That pump and pipe was bought with the idea it would be used with that tract of land and leased together.

J. W. Thompson said those other two guys got the wear out of that machine.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 1969

An informal meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the morning of December 18, 1969, with the following present:

Mr. J. W. Thompson, Councilman
Mr. Orville Langdeau, Councilman
Mr. Roy LaBelle, Economic Development, O.E.O.
Representatives of the Kershner Company, Inc.:
Mr. John R. Kerr
Mr. Robert A. Peattie, Jr.
Miss Leyla Sefa

Arrived later:

Mr. James Swenson, Planning Director, Inter-tribal, E.D.A.

Mr. Kerr apologized in the difficulty in getting together with the council and Mr. Thompson explained why Mrs. Courneau could not be present this morning.

Mr. Kerr said they wanted to talk about a proposed pilot program for business and industrial development on the reservation. They also had John Foote with them on Wednesday, who is an architect associated with this. Mr. Peattie heads a research firm and has done work all over the world. Miss Sefa is head of tourism and travel development of the Kershner Company. She has worked with an advertising agency for Bulova watches and has a background in this.

Mr. Kerr: About seven or eight months ago, before Commissioner Bruce was even thought of, I was visiting with him, introduced by Miss Sefa, and we put together the basis for a plan which we thought would be a non-profit organization to help Indians develop their reservations for commercial and industrial enterprises. We would make our services available to the reservations for free or on a nominal basis. After he became Commissioner, Mr. Bruce asked if we couldn't work under these auspices, under the B.I.A., and we came up with this pilot program and we think it can work on almost any reservation in the country. They recommended that we look at three reservations in South Dakota to find out if they would like to have this undertaken on their reservation. We will make a report to the Commissioner before the end of this month with our recommendations and they will be based largely on what the tribal councils indicate as to whether they would like to have this done on their reservation. We would like to meet privately with the council because we would like to have the decisions made by them without influence from the B.I.A. or other agencies.

It would be an eighteen month program. The first phase would be looking at the resources and evaluating them to see what would be feasible and practical in view of commercial or industrial activity. The second phase would be setting up a structure where the Indian would be the owners and operators of the company. The third phase would be implementing the operation, leaving much of it up to the Indians and tribal council to make the judgment as to what kind of activity you would like to have done on the reservation. In that judgment, we would expect the Indians would be thinking of what would do the most good for the

largest number of people on your reservation. During the process of developing this operation, Mr. Foote's organization would develop a land plan, an over all plan as to how the land best could be used. This again would rely on the opinions and attitudes of the Indian people. What or how would you like to have this reservation operated, five years or fifteen years from now? Into that plan we would insert these various projects. It might be a large project or a series of small projects. But all along, we would rely on your judgments of what you wanted to do for the people living on this reservation. I think this covers the plan fairly well.

Mr. Kerr gave copies of the program proposal to Mr. Langdeau and Mr. Thompson. Mr. Kerr: We recognize there are all kinds of problems in regard to the health, education and welfare of the people. We feel unless there is an economic base under the reservation, you will always have these problems, or you will not be able to provide as you would like for the people. We recognize there are a lot of other problems, but we are concentrating on economic development. We recognize there is a lot going on, and O.E.O. and B.I.A. are doing things to bring commercial enterprises into the reservation. The major idea has been to have major companies set up satellite operations. Our major thrust would be that we create a profit-making corporation or cooperative which would operate whatever we are able to bring into the reservation. It might also be able to accommodate satellite industries, like with Phillips Petroleum and Western Electric. In another instance, Western Electric is guaranteeing to buy the product, but after five years the operation will be on its own. We think that can work on any reservation. We wouldn't want to make any prejudgment as to what kind of industrial project would be good until we have had time to gather data on what has been done and what the people want. I think that covers the highlights of it.

There is a pretty detailed outline of what we propose to do. We would like to see it done on one of the three reservations in South Dakota. We would like to talk to you about what we have in mind and would like to answer any questions you might have and hopefully, you could indicate to us or Mr. Bruce whether or not you would like to have this done here.

(Mr. Swenson came in and was introduced)

Mr. Peattie: We find since we have been out here that there have been piles of studies made. I have never seen so many pieces of paper. We don't plan on any big thick report. We want to come up with an action program for you.

Mr. Kerr: The Commissioner emphasized that. He pointed out that he is committed to change the way the B.I.A. operates so more of the budget will reach the Indian people more directly. The second observation is that there have been so many studies, sometimes as many as three or four on the same subject. Surely there must be someone who can take this data and put the emphasis on the implementation and evaluating the data that is available, implementing it and doing something with it, so there will be employment on the reservations for the Indian people.

Mr. Kerr: Our company is structured in a rather unusual way. We are small and young, but are associated with professional organizations who have a lot of experience in this way. We have a marketing company in New York, a travel development company, a wholesaler in St. Louis, a graphic arts company, advertising agency, and several others of that sort which would provide all the skills needed to do something about this.

We know money is a problem. We believe if we can put together a plan based on good sound evaluation, establish that it is feasible and there is a market for whatever we produce, we believe that once that kind of an action program is established, we wouldn't have any trouble getting the money to have you funded.

Roy LaBelle: How do you plan to operate? Will you have an office up here or what?

Mr. Kerr: I don't think it would be necessary to have an office here, but there would be someone from our office here virtually all this time, maybe not 18 months, but during the first phase of evaluation. The second and third phases would be the implementation of it.

Roy LaBelle: Some of the problems are red tape. You report directly to Commissioner Bruce then?
They answered yes they would.

Mr. Thompson asked who would make the selection as to the reservation, as he didn't see Lower Brule on the list.

Mr. Kerr explained that originally it was Pine Ridge and Cherokee. Subsequent to that, the Commissioner visited in Bismark with representatives from Crow Creek and they asked that they also be included in that study. Anyway, Lower Brule was added just about the time we were getting ready to come out here, so we focused on the three: Pine Ridge, Lower Brule and Crow Creek. The commissioner, primarily, with us, will make the determination. The main thing we are trying to determine is, do you want us to do it for you? Would you cooperate and work with us?

Mr. LaBelle: I think it will be a big advantage for some reservation to have professional people at their disposal. It will be paid by B.I.A. in Washington, responsible to the Commissioner, but directed to work with the reservation, said Mr. Kerr.

Mr. Kerr: What is your feeling?

Miss Sefa: Do you think you need it?

J. W. Thompson: We have had that problem before us - trying to find something for everyone to do, and how to do that. We can't make this reservation provide for everybody who desires a better income and better social and economic life. Right now we have the prospect of Raven Industries coming down, which we hope will alleviate the unemployment.

They inquired about the rate of unemployment and Mr. Swenson informed them it was right about 80%. Mr. Thompson said we look forward to the day when O.E.O. may not be here and then it will go higher.

Mr. Kerr: What would you like to see happen? How would you like to see the reservation used? Do you like satellite industries to come in?

Mr. Thompson: Years ago I said there would be great opportunities for development of either side of the river. I said someday it would be like Minneapolis or St. Paul. What I meant was that through these programs we could get industry in. I don't care if non-Indians came in and worked along side of the Indians. We have only enough people to staff two small industries and will have to look to the outside to get people to come in here. I think people would come back to the reservation once you get a large industry going, and the small industries will develop by themselves.

Mr. Kerr: You are not opposed to filling this reservation up with people and industry?

Mr. Thompson: No, I am not.

Mr. Langdeau: It has got to come.

J. W. Thompson: I think we have so much focus on poverty areas, and there is money available if we are willing to tap it, but it takes a lot of guts. You hurt peoples' feelings and step on their toes, but I think it is the best thing that can happen. He told about buying some land a while back even though we had to pay more for it, but he made an effort to buy it because he visualizes the town growing in either direction. It belonged to a lady in Iowa and we had competition with a rancher. Everytime we try and buy land, he gets in the way and the land price is escalated. He used to operate on Indian leased land, but since he lost that to Indian operators, he has been peeved and wants to buy key tracts. He wants to be a thorn in our side and has the money to do it.

Miss Sefa said that we have great potential here and something historical. She told of her experience when working with the U.S. Travel Service and that invariably people asked where are the Indians. So there is that enormous curiosity in the peoples' minds. People want momentos to take back and feel it must be authentic. So in this travel situation there is a great advantage, and these two reservations have a distinct advantage over some others and could benefit from a joint proposal.

J. W. Thompson told about the Councilor Creek Study on developing Councilor Creek for tourism and said that at one time we tried to get Crow Creek to take that on jointly with us. Since that time the councils changed and the idea faded and now Crow Creek has that complex in the middle of town. One of the big obstacles to developing the Councilor Creek Bay, according to that study was the access to it. Another one was this grasslands park, and there were no roads through there. Since then we have a road across there so it is accessible.

They inquired about the proposal for the National Park and were advised that this has not been mentioned recently. When it was first proposed, they were talking about 40,000 acres, between 12,000 and 20,000 acres on the reservation. We have two operators down there and would have to provide them with other land.

They inquired whether the two reservations could co-operate and work together, with Crow Creek. J. W. Thompson said we would but didn't know if they would be willing to work with us. They asked why not.

J. W. Thompson said we have school problems on a high school which could have been solved long ago if they would join with us and the non-Indian population, but they have not been willing to do this and are holding off for a school at Fort Thompson. It was mentioned also that they want a hospital at Fort Thompson and even want the Agency offices over there. J. W. Thompson explained the South Dakota School Reorganization legislation which requires the highschools to consolidate by 1970 and told of the feasibility study made on this, but we have been unable to get Crow Creek to go along with it.

Mr. Kerr suggested that this project be discussed with the other members of the council and if they would like it done, to write a letter to Commissioner Bruce and request it.


J. W. Thompson said he was highly enthused about it, that it sounds like quite an undertaking and sounds advantageous.

Orville Langdeau agreed it would be of great benefit to our reservation.

Mr. Labelle: Do you think the Commissioner would be more receptive if it would be a joint venture?

Miss Sefa: I think he would, because it would benefit both.

Miss Sefa asked if the people would cooperate and Mr. Langdeau said he was sure they would.


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SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 7, 1970

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the afternoon of January 7, 1970, with the following people present:

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Tribal Chairman
Mr. Bob Spink, Plant Manager, Iron Nation Corp.
Mr. Percy Pourier, Manager Trainee, Iron Nation Corp.
Mr. Edward Edzards, B.I.A. Superintendent
Mr. Robin Madsen, B.I.A. Social Services
Mrs. Joyce Estes, Finance Officer

T.W.E.T.P. workers and others present:

Mr. Ben Felecia	Mr. Nash Mareno
Mr. Owen Good Face	Mr. Frank Iron Heart
Mr. Felix Quilt	Mr. Emmet Bad Moccasin
Mr. Kenneth Felecia	Mr. Cepha's Good Face
Mr. Arthur Guy Eagle Thunder	Mr. Jasper Eagle Star
Mr. William Quilt	
Mr. Jabo Wilson	
Mr. John Big Eagle	
Mr. Levi Flute	
Mr. Erwin LaRoche	
Mr. John Flute	
Mr. Gilbert Big Eagle	

Mr. Estes said that our primary interest today is getting the plant going and to resolve any conflicts between this and the T.W.E.T.P. program. That is why we would like to have you all present to listen and see what they have come up with.

Mr. Edzards gave the background of the T.W.E.T.P. Program, that formerly general assistance funds were given during the winter months when work was not available, and these funds are administered through the tribe and work assignments are given. This is a very temporary program and only until other work becomes available, and is not intended to be in competition with the plant down here. He said that as Iron Nation begins hiring, they would be expected to work, and that if they refused this work, they would not be eligible for the T.W.E.T.P. program. Maybe in isolated instances, a person with a large family may be allowed more under the T.W.E.T.P. program than he could earn at the plant with the \$1.65 an hour wage. In these isolated cases, general assistance funds can still be used to supplement the wages earned so there will be no decrease in pay. Mr. Edzards said that this was not new, that this has been done before where unemployment or wages were not sufficient to sustain a large family.

If you do get a job down there and are dismissed for reasons which you could prevent, because you don't report for work, etc., you may be in pretty bad shape. Once you get on the job down there, we will be dropping you. We have been criticized in the past that if a person doesn't want to work, they can come right back and get on welfare. This will not be the case and we will have to be real hard-nosed about this or the whole project could go down the drain. This plant could be a permanent thing and it will all depend on you.

Mr. Estes said you should keep in mind that when you get on, you should try and hold your job. There are a lot of outside people who want to come in. I have told them that the local people have first preference. So when you get in, you should try and keep the job.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JANUARY 9, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on January 9th, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, at 11:00 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Charles Langdeau
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau
J. W. Thompson
Grace Estes
Clarence Thompson (arrv. late)

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain; Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

MINUTES - Approval of the minutes was tabled as one of the council members may not have received his copy.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - The council reviewed Attorney Larson's Invoice for the period of Nov. 17th thru Dec. 10th. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve this for payment. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, one absent.

(3)

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - The council discussed this and said that they would like to combine this program with the O.E.O. home repair program so that H.I.P. could furnish the material and O.E.O. the labor for the building of two or three new homes. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting a Buy-Indian Act Contract for the H.I.P. Program. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against. The council discussed the living conditions of the rural and elderly people and mentioned some homes which were repaired and what further needs to be done.

(4)

BUFFALO MEAT - The chairman stated that Lower Brule had been allocated three front and three hind quarters this year and we need a resolution agreeing to the conditions of storage and handling of the meat. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt this resolution. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, one absent.

(5)

ENROLLMENT - Enrollment applications and birth certificates were received for three children: Stephanie L. Bad Horse, daughter of Cheryl Bad Horse; Quincy Dennis Bad Moccasin, son of Emmett and Sandra Lee (McCauley) Bad Moccasin and Kelly Jo Harres, daughter of Leonard and Brenda (Thompson) Harres. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve these enrollments. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

REQUEST PILOT PROGRAM, THE KERSHOR CO., INC. - The council discussed this pilot program which was outlined in a meeting on December 18th at which representatives from the Kershore Company were here. This program is coming directly through Commissioner Bruce's Office and one reservation is to be selected for it. This company has specialists in many fields and, on whichever reservation is selected, a complete study will be made to see what is needed in the way of employment and industrial development, and then they will assist to implement the program. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution stating our interest in this program. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(7)

LAND SALES - Mr. Joe Brewer said that Eliza Flute wants to sell 97½ acres and keep the 15 acres where the house is. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to buy this land. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

Mr. Joe Brewer said there is an application from Martha Smith and Philomene to sell 160 acres in the Gifford pasture, the original Herbert LaRoche allotment. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to buy this land. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

Also, the Eva Long Turkey allotment in Clarence Thompson's unit has been appraised. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to buy it, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(The meeting recessed for lunch which was served at St. Mary's Hall by the Extension Club, and the meeting was called back to order at 1:15 with all members present.)

LAND SALES (continued) Mr. Joe Brewer said that Melburn Bad Horse wants to sell 40 acres. Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to buy it, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. Mr. Brewer mentioned that in all the foregoing sales, the owners reserve 50% mineral rights.

Mr. Joe Brewer said that the heirs to the Mitchell Quilt allotment want to advertise 80 acres for sale and a resolution is needed to clear it for a supervised sale. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to permit the land to be advertised for sale under a supervised sale. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and one, Clarence Thompson, not voting.

(8)

FALLIS ESTATE LAND SALE - Mrs. Estes said that the Durkins come in on the Charles Fallis estate and they have been trying to sell for three years. Mr. Brewer said there is a mix-up on the titles that is holding this up. Mrs. Estes made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting that this sale be expedited and the titles corrected. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(9)

TITLE I - Mr. Edzards said that last year they had a contract with the Tribe on Title I, for the salaries of the education employees, and this year they would like to do this again and include some supplies and equipment. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to enter into this contract on Title I. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(10)

ROAD DEPARTMENT - The chairman asked what we would have to do to take over the road department. Mr. Edzards said that he was in hopes that this situation would improve and he suggested having a meeting with the road department. The council indicated they have tried this before. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe to take action to contract with the Bureau to take over the road department. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(11)

HIGH SCHOOL REORGANIZATION - Mr. Edzards said that we are on the last out on this school reorganization. I know your feelings over here as to this community school, but it seems to hinge primarily on whether Crow Creek will co-operate. They are still in hopes of having their school at Fort Thompson. The council indicated they would try and discuss this with Fort Thompson at the next inter-tribal meeting to be held January 15th.

(12)

PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIAN - Mr. Toby Wise said the environmental health office in Aberdeen was established in two sections, one is the construction projects, engineers, etc., and the other is services, like water sampling, drainage, ventilation, food, and anything to do with environment which affects health directly or indirectly. He outlined the duties and job description for our sanitarian, Mr. Lawrence Thompson, which included taking water samples, inspecting school cafeterias, and that he has a double work load during construction projects such as our housing project.

(13)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Swenson introduced his brother, Mr. Swen Swenson, who is from New York. Mr. Jim Swenson said he is sure everyone heard that the project has been approved. He said he talked to Mr. Woody Key, Dept. of H.U.D., and the contract will be forwarded when the local share of \$58,425 is deposited in escrow. He said he hopes this could be done by February so the bids could be let and opened in March. He said there is a problem with the curb and gutter and water and sewer which hasn't been extended far enough. Mr. Fullerton has done work on the industrial park and this could be handled as an addition, but unless the bids come in under \$200,000, the cost wouldn't be included in the project. He said the building will be a pre-stressed concrete and steel buildi

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(Neighborhood Center, cont.)

Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to set up a special account and transfer the \$58,425 the local share on the Neighborhood Center, to this account for this project. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, none against, Mr. J. W. Thompson absent.

(14)

REQUEST LEASE FOR BAIT SHOP - William Ziegler came to the meeting and said he would like to lease some land to rebuild the bait shop on the other side of the road, or on the other side of the plant. The chairman advised him that the land on the other side of the plant is for industrial development, and on the other side of the road it is all Corps land.

(15)

HUNTING AND TRAPPING - Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he had some trouble with a couple of white hunters last year and that they shouldn't be allowed on the reservation for hunting, and he submitted their names and made a motion that never sells permits next year, that these people be put on a black list indefinitely. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, one absent. Mrs. Estes said as long as we are talking about this, she would like to bring up about people coming on the reservation and hunting and trapping. She made a motion that the reservation be closed to anyone coming in from the outside for hunting and trapping by all methods. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for, one absent. The council agreed to print this notice in the papers at the neighboring towns with the warning that violators will be prosecuted to the full extent.

(16)

EXTENSION PROGRAM - Mr. Ed Riehle read the memorandum of understanding between the Extension Service, the B.I.A., and the Tribal Council, which memo provides for the appointment of a program committee of local people to assist in formulating extension programs for the reservation. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve this Memorandum. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for, one absent.

(17)

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE - Mrs. Grace Estes reported on the conference in St. Louis, that O.E.O. paid for two people to go and that she and Kay went. It is sponsored by the National Congress of American Indians, so it didn't cost the Tribe a cent. There were thirty-two different tribes there showing what their reservations have to offer to entice industry to the reservation. Mr. Kittelson from Raven Industries assisted with the Lower Brule display and everyone was interested in hearing about what is being done here. She said a man from Sequola Carpet Mills, who was a terrific speaker, told of the plant which started from scratch with Indian labor and is now a successful enterprise.

(18)

SPECIAL MEETING - In regard to Lawrence Thompson's loan modification, the chairman suggested setting up a special meeting to talk things over with him. Wednesday, January 14th, at 10:00 was set for this meeting.

(19)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for, one absent.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 9, 1970.

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JANUARY 14, 1970

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on January 14, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, at 10:45 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Clarence Thompson, Sr.
Orville Langdeau
Kay Gourneau
J. W. Thompson
Grace Estes
Charles Langdeau (arrived 1:30)

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - Mr. Trustos stated that he needed to submit a report showing the homes to be repaired and those who will get the two new homes under the home improvement program. A meeting was set up with the housing committee for tomorrow morning to finalize these plans.

(2)

COMING MEETINGS - The chairman announced that there would be a meeting with Fort Thompson here on Monday night concerning a high school. There will also be a meeting on the Boy's Club the same evening at Fort Thompson.

(3)

THANK YOU CARD - A thank-you card from Father Casper was read thanking the council for the Christmas donations.

The meeting recessed for lunch and reconvened at 1:45 p.m. with all members present, and Mr. George McKay, Credit Officer, present also.

(4)

LOAN MODIFICATION - Mr. Clarence Thompson, Jr. discussed with the council the proposed modification of his farm equipment loan. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to modify Mr. Clarence Thompson, Jr.'s loan. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none opposed.

(5)

LOAN MODIFICATION - Mr. Lawrence Thompson discussed with the council the proposed modification of his cattle loan. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to modify his loan. After much further discussion, the motion was seconded by Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and one, Mrs. Grace Estes, not voting.

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(6)

INCOME FOR THE TRIBE - The Tribal council discussed the recent land purchases and ways that the Tribe could get an income and return from the investment in land. It was discussed what would bring the most income on the Gifford Ranch, whether on a lease, or running tribal cattle, or taking in cattle on a per-head fee for others. As cattle prices are way up, the council did not think it feasible to buy tribal cattle. Other operators who might be interested in running cattle were mentioned. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion that the Chairman write to Mr. Ted Jennings and invite him to our next meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

LITTLE BEND LAND - How to obtain the maximum income from the recent purchase of land in Little Bend was also discussed. Mr. J. W. Thompson reported that he discovered this land has 87 acres with a wheat base. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion for the Tribe to go ahead and farm the 160 acres at the Bend. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(8)

LAROCHE UNIT - In regard to the unit which Buster is releasing, previous requests have been made for parts of this unit by Mr. Alfred Ziegler and Mr. Andrew Estes, and Mr. J. W. Thompson has part of this under lease at present. The chairman stated that the recreation committee would like to use 160 acres and the buildings at the old place for a youth project. The various sections and who would get which land were discussed. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give this land to them (Andrew, Alfred, and the recreation committee). The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. No decision was made concerning the farm ground.

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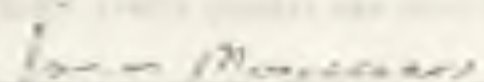
WYNIA LAND - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that Mr. Wynia says he wants to sell his place. The council discussed this but thought he was asking almost double what he paid for the land.

(10)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on January 14, 1970:


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 15, 1970

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the morning of January 15, 1970, with the following people present:

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mr. George Tlustos
Mr. Evert Fletcher

Mr. Tlustos said the main purpose of this meeting was to select the participants for the Category 3, extensive repairs and Category 5, new houses. A small amount has also been programmed in Category 1, emergency repairs, but this does not have to be outlined. The committee decided as follows:

Category 5 - New Houses: (two out of the following three)

Oscar Two Hawks
Jim Yellow
Ethel Bad Hand

Category 3 - Major Repair: (three out of the following four)

Clarence Thompson
Joe Two Hawk
Jonah Small
Mathew Grassrope

Others mentioned under this category, some work which may be done on the emergency repair program were:

Bad Horse's (Although they need major repair, they do not have electricity and it seemed impractical for them to remain there.)

Laura Ziegler - work to be done on emergency program

Noah Grassrope - needs a well

Cecelia Two Hawk - needs bath room

Emma and Matthew Grassrope - living in unfit place with kids living in big house.

Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

PLANNING GRANT - Mr. Isburg introduced Mr. Harnes from the E.D.A. Office. Mr. Harnes said there would be a meeting in Bismarck next week at which time there will be people to meet with the local people on recreational complexes. This will probably launch some fair amount of planning for the reservations. What I am more concerned with today, which is critical right now, is your planning grant. The present program will run to April 2nd, and on renewal, it takes about sixty days to accomplish the paper work, so it is important if you decide to continue, to take action so that we could get the application worked up. The first thing that has to be decided is whether you want to run it for another year. Your present contract includes 75% federal funds and 25% local funds. Then there is an application for two men, or a man and a half either a full-time trainee or a part-time specialist.

Mr. Isburg said that one of the reasons they mentioned this man and a half and that the Crow Creek Tribal Council had passed a resolution requesting this is we feel we are tearing Jim apart running him back and forth across the river. We were thinking if we could get a man for each side, they could spend full time working with the programs for each reservation.

Mr. Swenson went over last year's budget. The total authorized budget was \$31,360. Of this amount, \$23,330 was federal cash, \$4,145 grantee cash, and \$3,647 grantee in-kind contribution. He reviewed the credit accounts showing the amount spent for salaries, the director and clerical help, travel, supplies, telephone, postage, etc. Mr. Swenson reported that the account is \$396 overdrawn at this point, that the Lower Brule cash contribution is in, but the Crow Creek cash has not been paid in and that E.D.A. is holding up payment of the fourth quarter funds until this has been paid.

(Mr. Harnes, Mr. Swenson and Mr. McGahey left the meeting so the Inter-tribal council could discuss this program privately)

The program and the resolution passed by the Crow Creek Tribal Council requesting two positions were discussed. The Crow Creek delegation stated they favored two positions and have gone on record requesting this. The Lower Brule delegation indicated they were satisfied with the program as it is operating.

This program was discussed at length. Mr. Isburg stated he thought we were all in agreement that we wanted the grant. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion that we request to renew the program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hobart Eagle and carried with nine for and none against.

Mr. McGee said he thought something should be attached to this requesting two positions. Mr. Hobart Eagle made a motion to request another man and ask for more help. Mrs. Gourneau said she would like to see something in this motion so that if E.D.A. does not go along, it will not jeopardize what we already have. The motion with this amendment was seconded by Mr. Paul Harrison. A vote was taken and the motion was defeated with three voting for and seven against. (Those voting for were William Isburg, Paul Harrison, and Hobart Eagle. Those opposed were Clarence Thompson, Grace Estes, Kay Gourneau, J. W. Thompson, Orville Langdeau, Andrew Estes and Don McGee.)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Estes said if there is no more business, she would move to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried, ten for and none against.

MINUTES
INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
CROW CREEK AND LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBES
JANUARY 29, 1970

The meeting of the inter-tribal council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on January 29, 1970, and was called to order by the chairman, William Isburg, at 7:30 p.m., with those present as follows:

Present

William L. Isburg, Chairman	
Don McGee	Mr. McGahey, Social Worker
Paul Harrison	
Hobart Eagle	Mr. Ray Harnes, E.D.A.
Clarence Thompson, Sr.	Mr. James Swenson, Planning Director
Grace Estes	
Kay Gourneau	
J. W. Thompson	
Orville Langdeau	
Andrew Estes	
Joan Mousseau (Poor Rep.)	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Copies of minutes of the last meeting held on October 16th were distributed to the members for their review. Mrs. Grace Estes said that except for this part of the paragraph that is omitted on page 3, she will make a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with ten for and none against.

(2)

REPORT FROM CAP DIRECTOR - Mr. McGahey reported that Mr. Skye was attending a meeting in Denver and could not be here tonight, and had asked him to represent him. In regard to the Boys Club, he reported that they are anticipating being allowed to use \$3,800 out of savings to get this started, and they are submitting a program and requesting \$30,000 for the Boys Club. Last week they received approval to hire twenty additional people through savings which have accumulated over the program year and these people have been hired under the various programs on both reservations on a five-weeks basis as the program year ends on February 28th. Mrs. Estes asked if we would have to lay people off till the first of May when the new program year starts, as we have this problem each year. Mr. McGahey said he thought there would be savings on which to operate. Mr. McGahey reported they are still having trouble finding housing for the Boy's Club Director, and that he would like to live in the community to better know and be of service to the community. Mr. Langdeau inquired whether the Home Repair program had been approved for the coming year. Mr. McGahey said that the application was submitted, but that no definite approval has been received for any of the programs except head-start; however, they have no reason to think that it will not be approved.

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 5, 1970

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 5, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on February 5, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes at 10:25, with members present as follows:

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Sr.
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. J. W. Thompson

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

IRON NATION CORPORATION - Mr. Kittelson from Raven Industries reported on the progress of the plant, that they had some start-up problems, some of the material ended up in San Francisco instead of Sioux Falls, but they do have most of the machines here now and have everything under control. The inspector came out and did approve the sample bags and give approval to go into production, so they have put two men on and by Monday plan to have eight working. Then as these men are trained, they will hire more men. He said this mail-bag contract will involve about fifteen employees and in order to hire more, they need to get a second contract, and they are negotiating now trying to find a suitable second contract. He said they would like to get the lease finalized and will contact Attorney Larson when Mr. Larson returns from California.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Attorney Larson's invoice in the amount of \$100.00 for the period of December 17th through January 16th was circulated to the council members for their review. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve this for payment. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent.

(3)

ENROLLMENT - Requests for enrollment and birth certificates were received for Pamela Patricia Flute, daughter of Patricia and Levi Flute; and for Shelly Marie High Elk, daughter of Pansy and Allen Gene High Elk. A request and baptismal certificate were received for Mavis Ann Johnson, daughter of Susan Roberta Johnson. Mrs. Estes suggested we table the request for the Johnson baby pending receipt of a birth certificate. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll the two for whom birth certificates were furnished. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Estes and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Gourneau absent.

(4)

WORKABLE PROGRAM RE-CERTIFICATION - Copies of the Workable Program Application for Re-certification were distributed to the council for their review and discussion. This workable program outlines the planning and community development goals and is a requirement for participation in certain H.U.D. assisted programs such as the neighborhood center program. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to submit this workable program for recertification. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(5)

OPERATION MAINSTREAM, MANPOWER PROGRAM - Mrs. Estes said she read where work experience for thirty-seven unemployed adults will be developed in Eagle Butte through an operation mainstream program. Mr. Orville Langdeau said he thought the ranger component in Pine Ridge is one of these manpower programs. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to go on record as being interested in this program and to request our C.A.P. Director to look into this. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(6)

REQUEST FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK EXTENSION - An engineering survey, map and cost estimate as prepared by Fullerton Engineering for the proposed industrial park extension were circulated to the council for their review. This extension would provide extension of the water and sewer lines, paved parking and completion of the street around the neighborhood center, and a paved extension of the street past the present industrial plant, across the drainage ditch and out to the main road. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve this proposed industrial park extension as revised and to request an E.D.A. grant for this project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for, none against and Mrs. Gourneau absent for vote.

(7)

SCHOOL MEETING - The chairman announced that there will be a special school meeting at Kennebec on February 16th and the state commissioner will be down empowered to make a decision concerning school district reorganization.

(8)

BOYS' CLUB MEETING - The chairman stated he had received a letter from Mr. Azure stating there will be a meeting of directors of the Boys Club here at the Lower Brule Tribal Hall on the evening of February 18th at 7:00 p.m.

(9)

REPORT ON HOUSING MEETING - Mr. Orville Langdeau stated that this meeting was held in Aberdeen for the purpose of informing the Tribes on how to get projects started and that there were people present from H.A.A., B.I.A., P.H.S., H.U.D., and F.H.A. He said they found out that we may have a rough time getting the new houses that we proposed to build under the H.I.P. Program because the B.I.A. won't approve the program until Public Health approves the water and sewer. In regard to wells for the scattered sites on the turn-key housing, Public Health has agreed to furnish specs and allow the local housing authority to let the contracts as they would have a deeper interest to see that good systems are put in. Mr. Langdeau also told of other things discussed at this meeting, the possibilities of getting additional mutual-help homes, and the possibility of the tribe getting F.H.A. loans for housing development.

(The meeting recessed for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall. At 1:00 the credit committee had a short meeting with Mr. McKay and Jerauld Jandreau. The council meeting was called back to order by the chairman at 1:30 p.m.)

(10)

LAND TRANSACTIONS - Mr. Joe Brewer said they have the appraisal on the exchange assignment of Julie FireCloud, to Walter Sazue, 120 acres. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to buy this. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

The chairman said that Mr. Kenny Selecia had asked about his interest in his father's land. This was tabled pending probate of the estate.

A letter was read from Mr. Melvin Thompson asking to sell his land. Mr. Joe Brewer said that he had requested an appraisal on this and the council suggested we inform Mr. Thompson that we will have to get the land appraised.

(11)

ROADS - Mr. Edzards said that the council did pass a resolution concerning the roads and he had checked with the road engineer in Aberdeen and they would like to meet with the council on Thursday, February 12th, at 1:00, which date was agreeable with the council.

(12)

COMING MEETINGS - Mr. Edzards said there would be a conference in Aberdeen on February 17 thru 19th, concerning social services and if you cannot be present but would like to write a letter with any suggestions, you could do this. It was also announced that there would be a meeting here on the 18th with Mr. Carl Smith and representatives from the L.T.V. Company.

(13)

NAME CHANGE FOR PIERRE DORMITORIES - Mr. Edzards said that the student council at the Pierre Boarding School would like to change the names of the two dormitories from Kennedy Hall and Pochanis Hall to Sitting Bull Lodge and Sioux Lodge. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to allow the Pierre students to make this change of names. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(14)

HIGH SCHOOL REORGANIZATION - Mr. Edzards said the State Commission did meet at Fort Thompson and are now reviewing it. He said he had received a call from Aberdeen and Fort Thompson would like to meet with the Area Office to make a plan and they want to meet the 5th. The council mentioned that there was a meeting in Reliance that day and the meeting with the State Commission will be the 16th at Kennebec.

(15)

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - The H.I.P. Program was discussed as to the requirement for getting Public Health approval for the water. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to write to Mr. Bertram and request him to come out to make a survey of our sites. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(16)

WYNIA LAND - Mr. Hugh Wynia came to the meeting and asked what the tribe would give him for his land and asked what it was appraised at. The council told him if he was interested in selling, he should inform the council of what was the least amount he would take and then the Tribe could say yes or no, but if he was not willing to commit himself, there was no negotiating point. Mr. Thompson suggested he come back when he could tell what is the least amount he could take.

(17)

ASC WATER DEVELOPMENT, GIFFORD RANCH - The chairman said that Dallas had signed up with the A.S.C. for repair of two dams and construction of a third dam, and the A.S.C. office wants to know if the Tribe wants to carry out this water development program. This was discussed and tabled until someone could go look over the land and see where the dams are to go.

(18)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent.

(19)

MR. McCULLOUGH TRANSFER - Mr. McCullough, a Bureau employee under the Dept. of Soil and Moisture Conservation who is transferring to Rosebud, came in and thanked the council for their cooperation during the years he has worked with the Tribe. The council thanked him for everything he has done and especially in helping to get trees, and suggested writing him a letter of appreciation.

(20)


INDIAN POW-WOW - The chairman informed the council of the pow-wow to be held at the tribal hall this weekend.

(21)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on February 5, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
FEBRUARY 5, 1970

The meeting was called to order on February 5th at 1:00 with committee members present as follows:

Charles Langdeau	Jerauld Jandreau
Orville Langdeau	George McKay
J. W. Thompson	
Clarence Thompson	

Mr. Jerauld Jandreau said he went to the bank and asked to borrow as he has leases coming up, he wanted some fertilizer, and wanted to buy some seed oats. He asked to borrow a couple thousand from Shelly till this fall, and he was agreeable but wanted the tribe to guarantee payment back from the cattle sale. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to support this. (for \$2,000) The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with three for and none against.

Jerauld said there is one other thing; when they built that road he asked if he could exchange the cattle pass for a dam as they cut him off from water. The council made a motion to go along with whatever he could work out with the Bureau, but Aberdeen said there would be no way they could do this. Jerauld said the Tribe was the one that signed the easement and if they had refused to sign, they would have had to give him the dam. Buthe had to have water so signed up with A.S.C. and had a dam built by Mr. Kent, but since he has passed away and his wife is trying to settle the estate, they have billed him, and he wanted to borrow this on a loan from the tribe for a period of three years. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to loan him the money and he would pay it back in three years. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and none against. The interest rate was discussed and Mr. J. W. Thompson said in the previous committee meeting when a loan fund for water development was set up the interest was to be at 5%. (The cost of the dams were \$661.96)

Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 9, 1970

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on February 9, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, at 2:00 p.m. with members present as follows:

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Sr.	Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau	Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	Mrs. Grace Estes

Others Present

Mr. Ted Jennings
Mr. Smith
Mr. George McKay
Mr. Joe Brewer
Mr. Douglas Herrington

(1)

LEASE OF GIFFORD RANCH - The Chairman stated that the main purpose of this meeting is to negotiate a lease upon the Gifford Ranch. Mr. Jennings asked if he would be stepping on anyone's toes, as he didn't want to get into anything where he would be making enemies. The council said they didn't think this would be a problem, the former operator sold the place and the land is not being taken away from anyone, and everyone knows the Tribe bought it. They discussed the acreage and carrying capacity of the land. Mr. Jennings said they do have cattle and asked what the tribe had in mind, a per cow unit lease? He said he would be interested and if the council could price it to him, he could tell us yes or no real quick. He said he would be more interested in a six months summer deal, and the number of cattle on a six months basis was discussed. Mr. Jennings indicated that he has other leases and pays between \$16 to \$20. The very best was \$20 with someone to look after the cattle. He said he usually starts selling in the last of September so actually it would be a little less than six months. He discussed with Charles and the other cattle men the type of cattle he has and they discussed the market, the various breeds, cross breeds, the weight gain, average weights, etc. of Charolais, Limousin, Friesians, Angus and Herefords, etc. Mr. Jennings said it would be fine with him to allow time for consideration, but if we feel he would be hurting someone or causing enemies, he would like to know. The council thanked him for coming.

He and Mr. Smith left and the council discussed this and agreed to lease it on a per cow unit basis. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to put this unit out on bids, the bids to be open March 18th. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with three for and none against. It was agreed that Mr. Herrington would figure up the carrying capacity on a yearlong, six months, or five months basis, for cows and steers, and the tribe would advertise this in the local papers and post it at the sale barns, etc. It would be on a five-year lease, payable a year in advance.

(2)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - The chairman stated that we had received the contract on the neighborhood center. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution approving this contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

(3)

PLANNING GRANT - The chairman stated that on this E.D.A. Planning Grant Fort Thompson won't put in their cash contribution.

(4)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson, and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on February 9, 1970.


Jean Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES

INFORMAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 1970


Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Mr. Toby Wise
Mr. Lawrence Thompson

Mr. Lawrence thompson said that last year they took a survey of all the homes, or nearly all the homes on both reservations and asked the size of the house, the number of people in each home, the type of stove, sink and bathroom facilities for each house, water and other information. When they finished the survey it was sent to Aberdeen and then to Albuquerque where it was run through a big computer and printed out to give various information and percentages on environmental health for both reservations. The survey included 257 homes on both reservations.

Mr. Wise reviewed the composite report for both reservations with the council members present. He left a copy of each report, that for Fort Thompson, Lower Brule, the various communities, and a composite report.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 12, 1970

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on February 9, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, with members present as follows:

Present:

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Orville Langdeau
Kay Courneau
Grace Estes

Absent

Clarence Thompson
J. W. Thompson
Charles Langdeau

Others Present

Mr. Edward Edzards
~~Mr. Storch~~, from Aberdeen
Mr. Storeley, Engineer from Lincoln

Roads

Mr. Edzards said that they came down in response to the Tribe's resolution in connection with the roads and would like to discuss the matter to see what can be done or what improvements can be made. Mr. Storeley reviewed the budget and told how short the maintenance fund is. The council informed Mr. Storeley and Mr. Stoick that they felt the road maintenance has been very poor, that instead of moving forward we are going backward on road repair, that they have been complaining about this situation for four or five years but the situation has not improved, that they get very little cooperation from the local road department and the only way they thought the situation would improve would be if the present supervisor is replaced. Mr. Storeley informed the council that the supervisor for Fort Thompson and Lower Brule is stationed at Fort Thompson and that Mr. Coffey is just an operator but has been given the keys to the building and placed in charge although he is not a supervisor but just an operator. The council suggested if he is not a supervisor that there are other men more qualified and suggested that he be replaced. Mr. Storeley said that in the Bureau they cannot fire a man. They said that Mr. Coffey has always been cooperative with them and is willing to try and maybe they could talk to him about his attitudes. The council said this has been going on for several years, that they have tried to talk to him but it hasn't done any good, and that the best solution would be to replace him. Mr. Storeley said they have an equipment operator on the other side (Fort) and the problem is the other way, he doesn't take any interest in the job, he is old and can't see too well, but maybe if he could come over here and was given more responsibility, maybe he would take more of an interest.

The council outlined some of the problems on the roads, that when it snows they don't get out and open the roads, that the school bus opens the roads for the road department, that the bus runs at 8:00 but the snow plow doesn't get around till about noon and then quits at 5:00, and that ranchers get snowed in and ask for help but are told that the road department cannot leave the highway. Last winter was particularly bad and some roads were closed for weeks.

It was mentioned that the culverts are filled up and all it would take would be a little shoveling to clean them out, but they have not been touched and the water just runs over the road. The weeds are not cut and along the west road last summer they were growing up taller than a car and impaired visibility. The chuck holes are so numerous and so deep that they ruin a car and make the roads dangerous.

The council mentioned also that culverts and approaches were needed to some of the scattered sites on the Turn-Key homes and this was requested before and needed right away as they are coming in with cement trucks and will bring the house in on a truck.

Mrs. Estes inquired whether they needed something in writing that we are not satisfied, and Mr. Storeley said that they were beginning to get the idea. The chairman stated that if he had to, he would go clear to the Commissioner.

Mr. Edzards asked if the council would allow them to discuss this and see if they could come up with some solution or plan and then report back to the council.

Mr. Storeley said maybe they could contract some of the work, like weed cutting, cleaning the culverts, and any fencing on Buy Indian contracts with the Tribe if they were interested. The council said they would like to take these on contract.

Mr. Edzards said they are still trying to get the loop turned over to the state, this Reliance to Kennebec Road, and that if they could get this taken off the Bureau system, they could use the money for maintenance on some of the other roads needing repair.

The meeting adjourned with the idea that Mr. Edzards would report back on what type of a solution they are able to arrive at to the road problems.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
BOYS CLUB DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 1970

The Boys' Club Meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on February 18, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Lee Azure, at about 8:00 p.m., with the following people in attendance:

Mr. Lee Azure, Chairman
Mr. Eugene Sullivan, Regional Director, Minneapolis
Mr. Royce Pugh, Director
Mr. and Mrs. William Walters, Vista Workers, Fort Thompson
Mr. Edgar Loudner, Fort Thompson, Public Health Service
Mr. and Mrs. George Estes, Ft. Pierre, Lower Brule Councilwoman
Mr. Ed Riehle, Extension Service, Pierre
Mr. Charles Cruse, Fort Thompson, Police Captain
Mr. Ken McGaughey, Fort Thompson, O.E.O. Headstart Social Worker
Mr. Robin Madsen, B.I.A. Social Services, Pierre
Mr. Ellsworth Henkins, B.I.A. Employment Assistance, Pierre
Mr. Lavern Reinhart, Lower Brule, C.H.R.
Mr. Bruce Whitmore, Vista Legal Services, Fort Thompson
Mr. Chip Kemnitz, Legal Services, Fort Thompson
Dr. Spencer, Public Health Service, Chamberlain
Mr. Reuben Jacobs, Governors Commission, Pierre, S. Dak.
Mr. Harold Diefelmeir, President Chamberlain Board of Education
Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman, Lower Brule Tribal Council
Mr. Mike Jandreau, O.E.O., Lower Brule, S. Dak.
Mr. J. T. Schnellli, Fort Thompson
Mr. Clarence Skye, CAP Director, Fort Thompson
Mr. Douglas Herrington, B.I.A. Land Operations, Pierre
Mr. Joseph Blacksmith, O.E.O. Gen. Services, Lower Brule
Mr. Edward Edzards, Superintendent, B.I.A., Pierre
Mrs. Ginqway, Fort Thompson

(1)

Presentation of Awards - Mr. Reuben Jacobs commended Mr. Pugh as he was the first to open an integrated boys Club in the South, the first to open a two-unit Boys Club and the first to open an Indian Boys Club. Mr. Jacobs said that on behalf of the Boys Club, he wanted to thank Mr. Skye for getting most of the money and also to thank Mr. Sullivan for helping to get the club started. He called on Mrs. Grace Estes to present Mr. Sullivan with a beaded bolo tie. Mr. Sullivan said he didn't know what to say, but he was deeply moved. Mr. Jacobs then called on the President of the Boys Club, Mr. Lee Azure, to present another beaded tie to Mr. Royce Pugh, and pictures were taken of the occasion.

(2)

Minutes and Treasurer's Report - Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Mr. Cruse gave a treasurer's report and reported donations made, that the dance brought in \$220, that a check was written for getting the dance tickets printed, and that there is a balance of \$292.91 in the bank. In regard to the program that was written up through O.E.O. for \$30,000, Mr. Skye reported that there is a new program analyst who is reviewing it. Mr. Cruse said they had asked for some pictures so he got a camera and film and took some pictures and had them blown up and it cost \$13 and if possible he would like to get this back. Mr. Herrington moved that the bill be paid, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried unanimously. In regard to the signing of checks, Mr. Pugh suggested we have four people authorized to sign with any two signing the checks, so if someone is out of town, it wouldn't cause a problem.

(3)

Lower Brule Boys' Club - Mr. Pugh inquired as to how much discussion there has been about an extension of the Boys Club to Lower Brule. Mr. Skye said that their part of the program and the approval was for both reservations, with equal services for both reservations.

(4)

Presentation of Charter Ceremony - Mr. Sullivan said that he will take the application and charter back and it will be acted on by March 6th, and that March 15th is National Boys Club Week and he would like to be able to present the charter with a ceremony sometime around March 16th or 18th. After some discussion, it was decided that the presentation of charter ceremony would be on the evening of March 23rd at 7:00 p.m., and the President would invite Governor Farrar to be present and also to invite Mr. Billy Mills who is now in San Diego, although funds would not be available for his transportation. It was also suggested that the Boys Clubs in Sioux Falls, Rapid City and Aberdeen also be notified in case they would like to attend.

(5)

Publicity Committee - Publicity for the Boys Club was discussed and a committee was nominated as follows: Mr. Diefelmeir, Mrs. Grace Estes, Mr. Charles Cruse, and Mr. Clarence Skye.

(6)

Building and Facilities - In regard to the building to be used, Mr. Skye said that the final inspection of the Neighborhood Center was to be held and that the downstairs room he thought would be available, and that O.E.O. was trying to freeze desks, chairs, and other surplus property which could be used. Mr. Edzards said that they would also like to cooperate with the Club in making the school gym available for use. Mrs. Estes said that the Director of the State Library, Mrs. Mercedes McKay, said to contact her and she would do everything possible to set the Boys Club up with books.

(7)

Appoint Vice-President - Mr. Herrington nominated Mr. Joseph Blacksmith as Vice-President of the Club. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes. Mr. Skye moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henkins and carried unanimously. Mr. Azure reported that when Mr. Pugh employs his secretary, she will serve as secretary for the meetings.

(8)

Housing - Mr. Cruse said he would like to have Mr. Pugh investigate the possibility of the Boys Club building houses for rent. There is a federal program for a forty-year loan at 2½% interest, and these homes don't have to be on a low-rent basis but would be available for anyone.

(9)

Building a Center - Mr. Cruse asked how long it would take to get funds to build a center for the Boys Club. Mr. Pugh said it would take about one year to get approval and about two more years before they could get the money. It is under the Neighborhood Facilities Act.

(10)

Director's Contract - Mr. Skye said in the director's contract the salary is \$10,000 and on their grant, it is written up for \$10,500 for the salary and 12% benefits, and this discrepancy needs to be straightened out. Mr. Herrington moved that the personnel committee get this matter of the contract and conflicting interest straightened out and if necessary we can meet on that at our next meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Joe Blacksmith and carried with all in favor.

(11)

National Dues - Mr. Sullivan said that the application for charter is written up and will be sent in, and included with this should be a check for one percent of the annual operating budget. You have a budget of \$30,000, but if no further money came in, you would probably be operating with about \$10,000. One percent of that would be about \$100 and you could send in this amount. Mr. Herrington moved to write this check, seconded by Mr. Henkins, and the motion carried with all in favor, and the treasurer was so ordered.

(12)

Board of Directors - Mr. Azure said that by electing Mr. Joe Blacksmith as Vice-President, there will be 20 members on the board and he will be an ex-official member of the board. There must be 21 members of the board who are not officers. Mr. Clarence Skye nominated Mr. McGauhey. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blacksmith and carried unanimously. (Mr. Sullivan said that this is a proud moment in his life and a proud moment in the lives of members of the Boys Club of America and is the final culmination of their work since July when he made his first visit to the reservation. He said that Boys Clubs of America really belong on a reservation and this will be the start and really show what a Club can do. He said he has been in this work for seventeen years and this is the Club he takes the most satisfaction in and the most pride in.)

(13)

Designate Bank and Signators - Mr. Cruse asked whose names should go on the checks. Mr. Herrington made a motion to designate the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Mr. Diefelmeir as signators and to have the depository as the Northwestern National Bank at Chamberlain, and, if it is necessary to have a letter, to authorize the chairman to sign such a letter. The motion was seconded by Dr. Spencer and carried unanimously.

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Misc. - Mr. Skye said there are recreational assistants, two at Fort Thompson and three over here who are under Joe Blacksmith's supervision and if they can be of any help with these programs, to be sure and call on them. The ages of the boys to be served by the Boys Club is from six to eighteen. Mr. Skye said also, that D.E.O. is funded out of Washington through the CAP programs sponsored by the Tribes, so that much of the credit that we have programs here goes to the Tribes.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
CREDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
FEBRUARY 19, 1970


The entire Lower Brule Tribal Council was gathered at the Fort Thompson Tribal Hall for the regular inter-tribal meeting which was not held because the Fort Thompson Tribal Council did not have a quorum present. While gathered at Fort Thompson, the Lower Brule credit committee held a meeting with the committee present as follows:

Charles Langdeau, Committee Chairman
Clarence Thompson
Orville Langdeau
J. W. Thompson

Two written requests were circulated to the committee members for their review. One request was from Andrew Estes who would like to borrow \$2,000 from Tri-County Bank in Chamberlain to pay for additional leases and to have the Tribe guarantee payment from his calf sale. The second request was from Fay Jandreau who would like to borrow about \$1,500 from Tri-County Bank at Kimball and have the Tribe release funds from his calf sale next fall to pay back this loan.

Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve these requests from Fay and Andrew and to furnish them with a statement that we will guarantee payment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, which motion was duly seconded and carried.


Jean Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
MARCH 4, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on March 4, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, at 10:25 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. J. W. Thompson, Sgt. at Arms
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Grville Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Grville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Mr. Larson's invoice for his regular monthly retainer of \$100 was circulated to the council for review. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve this. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(2)

GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT - The chairman stated that Mr. Larson's contract expires the 15th of this month. Mrs. Estes suggested we table this until we contact Mr. Larson and see if he is still interested in this.

(3)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - An educational grant application was received for Henrietta Adams for an adult education course, and for Stephen Byrnes who wants to enter law school. Mrs. Gourneau made a motion to approve the application of Henrietta Adams and that Mr. Byrnes be written a letter advising him of our policy on educational grants and that an exception had been made by giving him five years. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(4)

TELEPHONE LINES - The chairman stated that Northwestern Telephone Company is expanding their service to Lower Brule and they want permission to lay an underground telephone cable around the perimeter line of the last row of houses in Lower Brule. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give them this approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(5)

ENROLLMENT - Birth certificates and requests for enrollment were received for Lisa Marie Baker, daughter of Emma Mary Rodriguez Baker and John Baker, and for Herbert James Goodlow, son of Lawrence and Mary Goodlow, who was born in Waukegan, Illinois in 1958. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll

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Lisa Marie Baker. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and one, Mr. Orville Langdeau, not voting. The Goodlow baby had been denied enrollment before because of his residence; the chairman stated he thought that the Goodlow's were only in Illinois for about three months. Mrs. Gourneau said before we take any action on this, she would like to check the records as to other enrollments with the same circumstances.

(6)

REQUEST FOR DONATION - A letter was received from Father Bernard Fagan requesting a donation for the "Sioux for Christ" program. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to donate \$25.00 to this. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

DONATIONS OF FOOD AND CLOTHING - The chairman stated we had a letter from the Aberdeen Office saying they get letters from people who want to donate food and clothing to the reservation and that if the Tribe wants to receive these things, they should set up a committee to handle the distribution. The council discussed these donations, that there was a lot of publicity about the donations to the South Dakota Reservations at Christmas, and that actually all Lower Brule received from this Christmas donation was about four boxes, a lot of which was used clothing which couldn't be used. The publicity of the impression that the Indian people are poor and starving and the council decided to just let this go and let them by-pass us on this.

(8)

REQUEST FOR HAY LAND - The chairman stated there is a request from Mrs. Vera Gandt for hay land, 160 acres up on the flat north of Wynia's and north of that alfalfa that Buster had. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to lease that to her. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(9)

WATER DEVELOPMENT, BIG BEND SETTLEMENT FUNDS - Mr. J. W. Thompson said that in 1965 the council had approved a well for him along with several others under the Big Bend settlement, that he just recently had the well put in on tribal land and Mr. Sather has been down several times for his money. This was discussed and the minutes of May, 1965 were referred to in which the well was approved. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that according to the minutes and if there have been no changes since 1965, he didn't see where he shouldn't get it and he made a motion to approve it on that basis, if there has been no other motion rescinding that since 1965. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for, Mrs. Grace Estes absent, and Mrs. Kay Gourneau not voting. Mr. Charles Langdeau said that he had also requested a well at that time from the Big Bend relocation water development funds and that he was turned down for the reason there were no funds. Mr. J. W. Thompson said they had turned Charles down because there were four approved and they didn't know how much they would cost, but now there is some money left. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to have this well put in up at the Langdeau Company Ranch. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau. Charles indicated that this would be put on tribal land. The motion was carried with five for and one, Mrs. Grace Estes, absent.

(10)

EDUCATION, TITLE I PROGRAM - The chairman said there are nine employees to be hired under the Title I Program, Buy Indian Act Contract. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve all these employees to be hired under the Buy Indian Act Contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for, and one, Mr. Orville Langdeau, absent.

(11)

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INDIAN ASSISTANCE - Mr. Carl Smith introduced a gentleman from the B.I.A. in Aberdeen, two men from Omaha, and Mr. Cecil D. Lewis with the National Park Service in Pipestone, who said that the National Park Service had received guidelines from Mr. Hickel stating that they should work in cooperation with the B.I.A. and Bureau of Outdoor Recreation to develop recreational services for the reservations to improve the Indian economy. He said that although the Park Service has no money to offer, there are 28 national sources of funds for use in development of recreational facilities and 15 sources of funds for training individuals and groups. He said that the National Park Service could offer help in planning for recreational development and that there will be training in resource management, lake patrol, how to deal with people, etc. at the Albright Training Center located at the Grand Canyon in Arizona. He said that the Pipestone Cultural Center will be used as an Indian training facility to develop native arts and crafts as these talents are being lost by the younger people.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall. As some of the Council wanted to attend the Sylvester LaRoche sale and in the absence of a quorum, the meeting did not reconvene until 1:30 p.m. the following day, March 5th, with members present as follows:

Present

Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
 Kay Gourneau
 Charles Langdeau
 Orville Langdeau
 Grace Estes

Absent

J. W. Thompson
 Clarence Thompson, Sr.

(12)

GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT - The chairman stated that this was tabled yesterday but we have since received a letter from Mr. Larson indicating his interest in renewing the contract with the same terms. This was discussed and Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to renew the contract. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(13)

BOYS' RANCH - Copies of the Boys' Ranch proposal were circulated to the council for their review and discussion. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution approving this program proposal and requesting funding. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(14)

C.H.R. PROGRAM - Mr. Lavern Reinhart stated that he had received a letter requesting that Mrs. Alvena Hudson serve as a consultant for new Community Health Representatives during a training session to be held during the week of March 22nd to 28th, and that this is quite an honor that she was selected. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion for Mrs. Hudson to attend this session. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against. Mr. Reinhart also announced that there would be open house at the C.H.R. Center on the 12th of March and he would like to invite the council and everyone to visit the center. Mr. Reinhart discussed with the council a problem they are having with out-patient care and said that people should utilize the Public Health Service more and if they choose to see another doctor in Pierre or elsewhere, it should be the responsibility of the parent or individual to provide their own transportation. He said that C.H.R.'s have scheduled trips into the Chamberlain hospital, and anyone needing care is welcome to ride along; however, the C.H.R.'s are paid on a regular forty-hour week the same as everyone else and people should observe the schedule, rather than to wait until evening and then want someone to take them in. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that the council should define the purpose of the Community Health Representatives more clearly, so that people wouldn't be wanting to go in the middle of the night. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for and none against. Mrs. Gourneau said that council approval is needed for the new CHR Program requesting refunding for the coming year. Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to approve the program and to request refunding. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(15)

LAND PURCHASE PROGRAM - A program was written up to obtain funds for land purchase, which would be a revolving credit fund whereby funds could be borrowed for land purchase and then paid back from rent. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting this land purchase credit program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(16)

TOURISM PROGRAM - Mr. LaBelle submitted a tourism program to the council for their review and approval, which is an inter-tribal O.E.O. Program to develop tourism on the reservations and provide road signs to direct tourists off the interstate. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution approving this tourism program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(17)

WATER FOR NEW HOUSES - Mr. Langdeau reported that Public Health would approve water on two sites for new homes and one home to be repaired, and they will make two test holes for water, for each site.

(18)

SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE - A letter was read from Mr. Williams concerning an advisory committee to serve the school. This was discussed and the council felt this should be from members of the community other than the council and that the P.T.A. and parents should be more involved.

(19)

HIGH SCHOOL REORGANIZATION - This was discussed and it was mentioned that if there are any voters who have never registered to vote, they should register at Kennebec before the school election.

(20)

IRON NATION CORP. - A letter was read from the Area Office stating that On-the-Job Training was available for the Lower Brule plant. In regard to the lease of the building, Mrs. Gourneau said that Mr. Larson wanted something in writing concerning the date the lease is to start and the rent. The rent was discussed and it was mentioned that this corporation is a joint venture between the Tribe and Raven Industries and that the Corporation would be paying the fuel and electricity at the plant and that maybe this would be sufficient without additional rental until they can get into full operation. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to allow the Iron Nation Corporation to have the use of the building without rental charge for six months to help the company get on its feet. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(21)

UNITED SIOUX TRIBES - Mrs. Estes reported that at the last United Sioux Tribes meeting they had asked our CAP Director if he could set up a program whereby an Executive Director could be provided for the United Sioux Tribes, and the new chairman went on record as backing this plan in that he would not be able and would not have the time to devote to this organization. So far the only funds they have had were the dues assessed each tribe and it hasn't been enough for the legal services, etc. This organization could be powerful as a state-wide organization and that is what we are interested in. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request this plan and proposal for funding for an Executive Director of the United Sioux Tribes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(22)

COMMENDATION FOR CAP DIRECTOR - Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that the Tribe go on record in commending Mr. Skye for the efforts he has put into the programs so far, as he has straightened out our program. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(23)

REQUEST FOR A COMPLEX - Mrs. Estes said she thought we should be pushing for a complex for the Lower Brule Tribe and that feasibility studies have already been made. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to have our resource people look into this and find out about it and go on record as wanting a complex. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(24)

GOOSE HUNTING - The council discussed hunting and that outsiders are trying to buy land on the reservation for goose hunting. The council felt that the Tribe could put in some goose pits and lease them to provide an income to the Tribe and also, that something needs to be done about hiring permanent, trained game wardens. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to develop a tribal goose hunting enterprise on all reservation goose hunting areas and that the Tribe would have complete control of all these areas. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for, none against.

(25)

KASPAPI HALL - The chairman stated that we are going to have to do something about this house, that it is standing empty and it was almost set on fire. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to sell this house. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(26)

HOME REPAIR - The chairman stated that Mrs. Spotted Hawk, who was one of the first councilwomen to go to Washington, wanted to ask if her house in Reliance could be repaired. The council discussed this but said that we have had so many requests to have houses fixed off the reservation, that they couldn't hardly start doing this.

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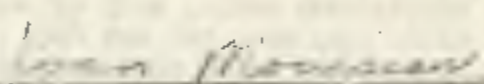
TRIBAL CONSTITUTION - The council discussed the various problems which have come up concerning tribal enrollment, establishing a degree of Indian blood, and that these enrollment problems need to be clarified and straightened out and that possibly an amendment to the constitution would be needed to do this. The council discussed problems in regard to tribal jurisdiction which have arisen and which may require a constitutional amendment to clarify, these problems being that of jurisdiction on the various types of land within reservation boundaries, and concerning jurisdiction over non-Indians and non-enrolled Indians. The council decided to contact Dr. Oliver Laymon, Professor of Law at the University of S. Dak. and ask for his help on this, as he has been working to establish a model code for reservations.

(28)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on March 4th and 5th, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
MARCH 18, 1970

The special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on March 18th, 1970, and was called to order at about 1:30 p.m., with members present as follows:

Present
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mrs. Grace Estes

Absent
Mr. Andrew J. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau

Others Present
Mr. Edward Edzards, Superintendent
Mr. Joe Brewer
Mr. Douglas Herrington

(1)

BID OPENING - GIFFORD RANCH - In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Mr. Edzards was asked to chair the meeting. The bidders were called in and Mr. Edzards asked if there were any questions or any more bids before we begin. There being none, Mr. Edzards informed the bidders that the full council was not present today, that they decided to go ahead with the bid opening, but that the actual awarding of the lease would be tabled until the next council meeting. The bids were opened and were as follows: (arranged here from high to low)

- 1) Mr. Merrill Karlan - \$43.00 per cow unit
- 2) Howard Richter and Frank Antes, Winner, S. Dak. - \$36.37 per cow unit
- 3) John L. Anderson, Presho - \$35.70 per cow unit
- 4) Merritt Brown, Reliance - \$23 per cow unit on a six months basis - which would equal \$34.50 on a year long basis.
- 5) James Murphy - \$32.00 per cow unit

(2)

APPEAL STATE COMMISSION RULING ON HIGH SCHOOL REORGANIZATION - A proposed resolution was read petitioning the State Commission to reconsider their ruling and to join Fort Thompson and the Reliance School District to retain a school at Reliance. Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adopt this resolution. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(3)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau
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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
MARCH 23, 1970

The special meeting was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on March 23, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes, at about 3:00 p.m., with members present as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	Dr. Spencer
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mrs. Iyonne Garreau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	Mr. Ellsworth Garreau
Mr. J. W. Thompson	

The group discussed what could be done to help those who have been drinking too much and that there is no easy answer to this problem.

They discussed having about four or five of the worst offenders committed to Yankton and it was agreed that this was not the answer, but would be only a stop-gap measure until something else can be worked out. One of the most urgent cases involve drinking and attempted suicide and this person has agreed to go for psychiatric help and Dr. Spencer said he would begin immediately to try to get this person admitted to Yankton.

Dr. Spencer asked if there is any way to change the accessibility of obtaining alcohol for some of the real problem drinkers and asked if there were more than about five who were really a nuisance. Some communities go out of their way to try and prevent certain individuals from getting alcohol, and he asked how the council would feel about something like that. Mr. Langdeau said that usually, one way or another, they will get it if they want it no matter what barriers you put in front of them, and the other members agreed.

Some of the things discussed which would be of help were a half-way house with trained personnel, maybe someone from the community especially trained to work with alcoholics, similar to a C.H.R. The possibility of enlarging our C.H.R. program to take care of this was discussed, and possibilities should be explored to obtain funding for a half-way house, possibly through O.E.O.

It was discussed that the drinking and attempted suicides stem from deeper psychological problems and that a mental health program and psychiatric help are urgently needed, and that these are the only two reservations outside of Fort Totten which do not have either a visiting psychologist or some type of mental health program.

The possibilities of obtaining funding under the Omnibus Crime Control legislation was mentioned and that this possibility should be explored.

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Mr. J. W. Thompson said if we could get some type of program in operation where counselling would be available to people with drinking problems, if the bar could be furnished with a list of these people, he would be glad to get on the phone and report any of these who come to the bar and get them some help before they get too far.

Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to write this up and present it and see if we can get funded for it, a mental health program to cover all aspects. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with three for and none against.

Jean Mousseau
Jean Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
MARCH 25, 1970

The special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on March 25, 1970, and was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Clarence Thompson, with the following people present:

<u>Council present</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman	Mr. Edward Edzards, Superintendent
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mr. Carl Smith
Mr. Charles Langdeau	Mr. James Swenson
Mr. J. W. Thompson	
	(the Neighborhood Center bidders)
	Mr. Keith Titus, Architect

The Vice-Chairman called the meeting to order and said that although everyone couldn't be here today, we would go ahead with the bid opening, but the contract wouldn't be let until a later date. The bids were opened and are as follows, arranged here from low to high:

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| 1) Rapid Plumbing Co.
P.O. Box 1308
Rapid City, S. Dak. 57701 | \$280,500
(Alternate #1 deduct \$5,700
Alternate #2 deduct 6,600
(5% bid bond) |
| 2) Kelley Construction Co.
Box 727
Pierre, S. Dak. 57501 | \$298,739.00
(Alternate #1 deduct \$7,000
Alternate #2 deduct 3,000
(5% bid bond) |
| 3) R & S Construction Co.
P.O. Box 672
Rapid City, S. Dak. 57701 | \$301,400
(Alternate No. 1 deduct \$5,650
Alternate No. 2 deduct 2,660
(5% bid bond) |
| 4) Art Pugsley Construction Co.
2027 Dakota Ave. S.
Huron, S. Dak. 57350 | \$312,311
(Alternate #1 deduct \$4,598
Alternate #2 deduct \$3,000
(5% bid bond) |

The bidders were advised that this completes the bid opening and that Rapid Plumbing is the aparent low bid, and that they would be advised, and they left.

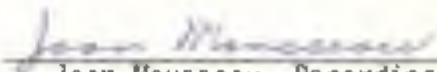
Mr. Titus said that we are over the budget and that in looking at the bids, the main increase that brought it up is on the concrete and the mechanical. He said he would like to visit with these people and the concrete people because he had a bid from them much lower. He said that this figures out at over \$20 per square foot which is, even at today's prices, too high. He said he would like to get back with his engineering and see if they can't get this back in line and that he would contact us again in about two weeks.

The council held an informal meeting and discussed various things.

There being no further business, Mr. Charles Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 1, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on April 1, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, at 10:35 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present:

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Charles Langdeau absent.

(2)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Mr. Larson's invoice for his regular monthly retainer of \$100 was circulated to the counsel for review. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to approve this. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - The chairman stated that on that \$7500 which was placed in escrow and was supposed to be turned over to the Tribe upon receipt of the equipment from the Chalomar plant, we might have to go to court to collect this.

(4)

LEASE OF GIFFORD RANCH - This lease was discussed and tabled until 1:00 when the high bidder could be called in to negotiate the terms of lease.

(5)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATION - An educational grant application was received for Lionel Chase the Bear who wants to continue his college education during the summer session. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve this grant. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(6)

ENROLLMENT - A request for enrollment and birth certificate were received for Travis Wayne Thompson, son of Loretta and Clarence Thompson, Jr. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to enroll this child. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

THANK-YOU LETTERS - A thank-you letter was read from Mrs. Murphy, headstart teacher, thanking the Tribe for buying headstart a new cooking stove. A letter was also read from Mr. Kittelson thanking the Tribe for allowing the Iron Nation Corp. six months free rental of the plant.

(8)

REPORT ON UNITED SIOUX TRIBES MEETING - The council discussed some of the various things which came up at the last United Sioux Tribes meeting. Mrs. Estes mentioned that Dr. Browning was setting up a seven-state advisory board and that this could have been done through the Lakota TB Health Organization as there may be some overlapping between these two organizations. Other matters were brought up concerning legislation and commitment of Indians to state institutions, the question of whether or not to allow non-members to subscribe to tribal minutes, and it was reported that the Lower Brule dues with the United Sioux are paid through 1970.

(8)

HIGH SCHOOL REORGANIZATION - A letter was read from Gov. Farrar thanking the Tribe for coming in to discuss the high school. One thing discovered is that the state does not have jurisdiction to assign the reservation. The chairman reported that Lyman County is going to go ahead with the school election and that we would have until Friday to come up with a representative to the board. Mrs. Gourneau stated she didn't care if we had representation or not because she felt Presho would still control the board in determining the location of the school. Alternatives were discussed, either going to Chamberlain or uniting with Reliance and Fort Thompson to try to get a school on this end of the county, or using the Stephan facilities. Mr. J. W. Thompson said he didn't know if there would be enough money to operate Stephan and he made a motion to request a feasibility study on Lower Brule, Crow Creek and Reliance using the Stephan facilities. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

The meeting adjourned for dinner which was served by the Extension Club at St. Mary's Hall.

(9)

LEASE OF GIFFORD RANCH - The Chairman called the meeting back to order at 1:20 p.m. with all the members present. Mr. Merrill Karlan, the high bidder on this lease, was called in to discuss the terms of the lease. The council discussed this with Mr. Karlan and then Mr. Karlan was excused and the council discussed it further among themselves. As there was a division of opinion as to whether or not to award this lease to him, this was tabled until 1:00 tomorrow.

(10)

LEASE OF ISOLATED TRACTS - Mr. Joe Brewer said that there are three leases to be renewed: Mr. Raymond Bowe 80 acres, Mr. George Christenson, 152.5 acres, and Mr. Rosco Huston, 320 acres, and he gave the amount set for these last year. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve these leases on these isolated tracts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. Mr. Brewer also reminded the council that the lease on the Larson Place will expire the 31st of this month. (It was agreed that the rate on these isolated tracts would be the same as last year.)

(11)

LAND PURCHASE - Mr. Joe Brewer reported that we have the appraisal on Melvin Thompson's land, 160 acres. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to advise him of the appraised value and see if that is acceptable to him, and if not, he should come to our next meeting tomorrow. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(12)

PENDING LAND PURCHASES - Mrs. Grace Estes inquired about the status of some of these land sales which have been pending: The Charles Fallis Estate or the Durkin Estate. - Mr. Brewer said that the Fallis Estate has been bought but some of the deeds haven't come back on the other; Mrs. Estes said we made a motion to buy the Ida Fraizer Immel Estate but we needed an appraisal and haven't heard further; also the Lisa Flute land. - Mr. Brewer said that the Flute land sale has been completed. Grace asked about the Jenny Swift Hawk Estate. - Mr. Brewer said he had to get one more deed on that and all this involves is minerals. Mr. Brewer said that Harvey Big Eagle, Jr., had some land in Gifford's pasture that he sold and reserved minerals and wonders if the tribe would be interested in buying the minerals now. The council indicated that they would in accordance with the standing resolution on this.

(13)

REQUEST APPRAISAL - Mr. Clarence Thompson said that Mrs. Carpenter has forty acres which she wants to sell, an heirship tract. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to request an appraisal on this. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(14)

PIERRE BOARDING SCHOOL - Mr. Edzards read a letter from the Area Director concerning the future of the Pierre Boarding School. The previous proposal called for integrating the Pierre Boarding School classes with the Pierre Public Schools and to just maintain boarding facilities at Pierre; however, in view of the dropping enrollment and the fact that many of those at Pierre are from other reservations and they believe the trend toward dropping enrollments will continue, they recommend that the Pierre Boarding School be phased out entirely by 1975 and that these students be provided for at other boarding schools, or this might involve building a foster-home type cottage or something to house some of the children right here in the community. Mr. Edzards said that they requested an opportunity to meet with the tribes concerning these recommendations.

(15)

JOHNSON-O'MALLEY TUITION FUNDS - Mr. Edzards said that there are some Lower Brute kids going to school at Sioux Falls and their district No. 1 has filed suit for tuition against this Lyman County District. He explained that this would involve Johnson O-Malley funds, that federal funds are available for this tuition and if Lyman County has claimed these kids and collected for them, the money should be transferred; but if Lyman County did not claim them, then Sioux Falls should file for this.

(16)

POISONING PRAIRIE DOGS - Mr. Herrington said that we do have a problem in dealing with prairie dogs, and that the Federal Fish and Wildlife Service is going to hold a two-day training session on the Pine Ridge Reservation to train some Indians in the proper use of poisons and techniques to get rid of them. The training would be for prairie dogs the first day, and the second day would include other trapping and predator control. The council indicated that this was needed here for prairie dogs, fox and porcupine and Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to send somebody down for that training. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent. Mr. Herrington said this would be about six to eight weeks from now and he would let us know of the exact dates.

(17)

REQUEST FOR LAND LEASE - Mr. Herrington said that he has a request by Mrs. Linda Ducheneaux for some land. She is asking for 4½ quarters in the middle of the Medicine Creek pasture which is tribal land which has not been included in their permit, and in addition one quarter which J. W. Thompson has been leasing and one quarter which Alfred Ziegler was interested in leasing which has selenium in it. This adds up to 6½ quarters or 1,038 acres all tribal land. There is 160 acres of tribal land which could be substituted to J. W. Thompson for what he would lose and there would be no more tribal land in the Medicine Creek pasture. Mr. Orville Langdeau asked Mr. Herrington why this land was available now and when he asked two weeks ago there was nothing available. Mr. Herrington replied that this would all have to be fenced and would require 3½ to 4 miles of fencing and there would have to be some water development on it. Mr. Herrington said that this land is what we were trying to trade out last year to get land more readily available. The association has land on three sides of it and the other side is off the reservation on the reservation line. There is also shale bare hills in there and the total it would handle is about 40 head. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that Linda has 25 cows and they have either got to sell them or do something. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that she gets this 6½ quarters on the border of the reservation line. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau not voting.

(18)

LAND EXCHANGE OF USE - Mr. J. W. Thompson said that the Association has 80 acres right in the middle where he is leasing and he wants to trade out with them for that 80 the tribe just bought. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to grant an exchange of use of land with the Grazing Association. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(19)

ADDITIONAL HOUSING AND WATER DEVELOPMENT - Mr. Donald Isburg said that there is still a need here for medium income housing because there are people here in need of housing who, because of their high income, they don't qualify for turn-key or low rent housing, people such as police officers, teachers, CAP Director, etc. He said he had talked to the F.H.A. in Huron and asked if we could get more houses and they said yes, definitely. But the problem is water development. H.U.D. does make grants for water development from 50% to 90% of costs and if the Tribe is interested, he would write to H.U.D. to get more information on this. The council indicated they were interested and requested Mr. Isburg to do this.

(20)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Swenson said that as the council knows, when we opened the bids on the Neighborhood Center, the bids came in way high over the amount we have for the building. The main area of increase is for the pre-stressed concrete and Mr. Titus would like to meet with these people on this to find out more, and then meet again with the council on the 9th of April. In regard to the application for the extension of the industrial park, Mr. Swenson said that he would need to go to Bismark to get this completed because the E.O.A. travel has been cut and they cannot come down here.

(21)

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE - Mr. Swenson reported that there would be another industrial meeting in Fargo on the week of the 12th of April, at the University, but that he has been reluctant to travel much because he hasn't been able to collect for his expenses for the past three months.

(22)

DONATION OF BOOKS - Mr. Swenson reported that there is a load of between five and six thousand books on the way from Washington and this should be more than enough to make up two real nice libraries for the reservations. It will be quite a job sorting these and we will have to get help from D.E.O., but there should be some real good books in this.

(23)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

APRIL 2, 1970

(24)

LEASE OF GIFFORD RANCH - The chairman called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. with all the members present. The chairman opened the floor to a discussion of this lease. Mr. Orville Langdeau indicated he would vote against Mr. Karlan's proposal. Mr. J. W. Thompson and Mrs. Kay Gourneau also discussed some of the reasons they were reluctant to allow Mr. Karlan this lease.

(25)

LAND PURCHASE - The chairman reported he had contacted Mr. Melvin Thompson in regard to his land sale and he wouldn't accept less than \$48 an acre. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to buy this land at \$48.00 an acre. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(26)

LAND PURCHASE NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that there are people who are thinking about selling their land and he thought the Tribe should take it upon themselves to negotiate with these people and tell them why the Tribe would like to obtain the land, and we could alleviate a lot of this trouble that is going on right now with our tribal members getting involved with individuals off the reservation who want to get into the reservation for various purposes. The council could have maps available showing key tracts so that we can talk to these people and find out whether they want to sell their land or keep it, as our utmost goal is consolidation of our reservation. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to that effect, to set up a committee to

negotiate with tribal members for land purchase and explain to them why the Tribe wants to buy the land. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against, Mrs. Kay Gourneau absent.

(27)

RELIANCE HIGH SCHOOL - Mr. Willard, the Principal of Reliance High School, came to the meeting and gave the council copies of the curriculum which they hope to offer at Reliance next year. County reorganization and Fort Thompson plans were also mentioned.

(28)

REQUEST FEASIBILITY STUDY ON COUNCILLOR CREEK DEVELOPMENT - A letter was read from the Great Prairie Lakes Development Corp. stating their interest in coordinating tourist complexes being developed by the Tribes along the River, and advocating that our previous studies be updated. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request a grant to bring this study up to date. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau. Mrs. Estes inquired who would do this and Mr. J. W. Thompson said probably E.D.A. A vote was taken and the motion carried with five for and none against, Mrs. Gourneau absent.

(29)

"OUTREACH PROJECT" - A letter was read from Mr. Robert Robertson of the National Council on Indian Opportunity requesting the cooperation of the Tribe in this project, which is a study being made to assess the experience of various Councils in administering federal programs. Mr. William Cuny is the consultant who will be making field visits to the Dakota reservations to obtain this information.

(30)

WATER DEVELOPMENT, TURN-KEY HOUSING - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that funds have been allocated for water development on the eleven scattered site homes, but nothing is being done to get these facilities put in. He made a motion to write to the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, the Public Health Service, and congressional delegates to urge that the Public Health Service and H.U.D. get together and coordinate their efforts to the full benefit of the tribe to expedite the water development on our scattered sites. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(31)

GIFFORD LEASE - The council further discussed the lease of the Gifford Ranch and made a list of the stipulations and requirements to be contained in the lease agreement. Mr. Karlan was called in and these items were reviewed and discussed with him and then Mr. Karlan was excused and the council discussed it further.

(32)

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PHYSICIAN AND DENTAL CARE - Dr. Spencer said that in regard to our request for an additional physician, we haven't yet been able to get this position but it might help if we would again remind them of our request. He said that the letter we wrote requesting that the mobile dental unit remain longer to finish up the school care and adult care was instrumental in getting more funds channeled into dental care and that now money is available for adult dental work. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to write a joint letter with Crow Creek asking for an additional position for a physician. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for, none against, Mr. Orville Langdeau absent.

(33)

LEASE OF GIFFORD RANCH - The Chairman said that a motion was in order to either accept or reject this offer subject to final approval of the lease stipulations. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to allow the highest bidder to lease this unit in accordance with the stipulations discussed and agreed upon. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with three for and two against, Mr. Orville Langdeau absent. Those voting for were Mr. Charles Langdeau, Mr. Clarence Thompson and Mrs. Grace Estes. Those opposed were Mr. J. W. Thompson and Mrs. Kay Gourneau. A meeting was set up for next Wednesday afternoon, April 8th, to finalize the lease agreement.

(34)

REQUEST FOR SITE FOR MOTEL UNIT - The council discussed Mrs. Ollie LaRoche's request for a site for a motel unit and reviewed the map showing the proposed industrial park extension. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to let her have this area south of the new industrial lot and on the west side of the proposed street extension. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against, Mr. Orville Langdeau absent.

(35)

LAROCHE FARM SALE - Mr. J. W. Thompson said that yesterday it was mentioned that Buster's farm sale was garnisheed and he had asked us to put in a claim against that for what he owes the tribe. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that we go along with trying to put a claim in there for the tribe. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(36)

ALL-INDIAN RODEO - The chairman said that more decisions need to be made concerning the All-Indian rodeo scheduled for July 3rd and 4th. Mr. J. W. Thompson suggested that the recreation committee discuss this at their next meeting.

(37)

LAND PURCHASE PROGRAM - Mr. Clarence Skye said that on their trip to Washington they had requested additional funds for land purchase and they said they would allow us funds. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to write a follow-up letter thanking them for the grant. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and one absent. Mr. Clarence Skye also reported that a program had been approved for a training program which will comunder M.O.T.A. and provide training for the complex at Fort Thompson.

(38)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on April 1st and 2nd, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 9, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, S. Dak., on Thursday, April 9, 1970, and was called to order at about 1:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Andrew Estes, with the following people present:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman	Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Orville Langdeau	
Mr. Charles Langdeau	<u>Others Present</u>
Mr. Clarence Thompson	Mr. Keith Titus, Architect
	Mr. Jim Swenson
	Mr. Joe Blacksmith
	Mr. Woody Estes

The chairman stated that the purpose of this meeting is because of the Neighborhood Center.

Mr. Titus: The bids were too high by an astonishing amount. I met with the Gauge Brothers pre-cast concrete company in Sioux Falls. They have their figures pushed way up there and have other work to do and they just don't want the job. I was real disappointed because last year they were real enthusiastic, and it would have made a good building. I met with Rapid Plumbing and discussed with them on having block. They could bring the cost down by \$40,000 so that the cost would be \$240,000 and it would be a good serviceable building. I called Woody Key in Chicago and asked for advice and he said they have \$50,000 additional funds ear-marked for this project if the Tribe can come up with one-fourth share of the \$50,000. That would mean the tribe would have to raise \$8,000 extra dollars to build this building with cement block and steel joists. The plan would be the same as the building we have now. It would be a steel roof with a built up asphalt membrane. There was some discussion about the footings. The plan was for pre-cast T's tied together strongly on a gravel cushion. We can use the same design with block with little or no trouble, but it might be an economical factor to change and set the footings on pilings. Mr. Blacksmith told Mr. Titus that the Chalomar building was set on pilings and that the floor was set on a gravel cushion, the same as designed into this building. Mr. Titus said this building will have a flat roof, the same as Chalomar, and it would be very similar construction to Chalomar. In regard to the foundation, Mr. Titus said that there would be no additional cost to changing to a lighter footing and pilings, and that it might even be cheaper. He asked if the council would consider this type of building, cement block.

Mr. Titus arranged for another meeting with Rapid Plumbing, and the council to go over the plans, and Mr. Titus said he would furnish the Tribe with a large colored drawing of the building with the new design.

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Joan Kousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 22, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, S. Dak., on Wednesday, April 22, 1970, and was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by the Chairman, Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present
Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Orville Langdeau, Chaplain
Mrs. Grace Estes

Absent
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - The chairman stated that this special meeting was to have been for the purpose of meeting with Mr. Titus, the architect, and Rapid Plumbing, the low bidder, concerning the Neighborhood Center; however, Mr. Titus was snowed in and couldn't make it, so the contractors from Rapid Plumbing went after him in their four-wheel drive and may make it back later this afternoon but if not, we may have to meet tomorrow.

(2)

BOYS' RANCH - The chairman stated that he and Orville had gone up and looked at the Larson place and that it has really gone to pieces and needs a lot of repair. There are more acres and farm land on the Larson place than on the old place which could be used for the Boys Ranch. A program for funding of the Boys Ranch has been submitted and Mr. LaBelle said that the commissioners office was to call back and let us know sometime today on this and the other programs taken in to Washington. Mr. Orville Langdeau said he thought we should work on the assumption that the Boys Ranch will be funded sometime and that the Tribe should try to develop it until we do get funding and he made a motion to that effect, and to allow the Larson Place to be used for the Boys Ranch, including the farm ground on the west side of the road (described as the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 19, Twp. 107-73). The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau. Mrs. Estes asked about releasing the other place, the old Durk's place, which was to have been used and it was agreed that this would be released and rented out so that the Tribe could get back the money they put into it for insulation and sheet rock. A vote was taken on Mr. Langdeau's motion resulting with four for and none against. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion that the tribal council pursue our previous request for funding for this organization so that the Tribe may get their money out of it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against. Mr. Ed Riehle, the Extension Agent, said that on the Larson place there are a few acres wheat base and some crop land, and that we should get together with the Boys Ranch committee and decide on what is to be planted and when and what equipment to use, and that the B.L.A. has a tandem disk over at Fort Thompson which they said we could use. He also said that there is a foundation sponsoring a heifer project, where they will put these out to individuals and they in turn want one heifer back, and that he will try to look into this further.

(3)

LIBRARY BOOKS - Mrs. Grace Estes inquired whether the shipment of books have arrived and it was reported not yet, but that they would be coming on a National Guard truck. She reported also that the State Library in Pierre has been trying to get a bookmobile to serve the reservations or they would be willing to send books down for use if we can get a library set up here.

(4)

PROPOSAL FOR TRAINING - Mr. LaBelle said that he had thought of going to CAMPS at the Dept. of Labor to get some training programs started, since there is a lot of construction going on on both reservations and very few Indians are working on these projects, and those who are working for the most part do the menial jobs of cleaning up, etc. He said they were also trying to get O.J.T. training for jobs. Mr. LaBelle said that they were asking for training for forty-three people for both reservations as carpenters, cement finishers, tapers, roofers, etc. Mr. Isburg said also that maybe more Indians could get certificates and register with the Dept. of Labor as minority group contractors and could bid on some of the work, for example, the curb and gutter cement work for the turn-key housing.

(5)

F.H.A. HOUSING - Mr. Donald Isburg said that in regard to obtaining F.H.A. financing for homes, he would try to get an appointment for this man to come down and interview some of the people interested in these homes and get the applications submitted, and if we could get one or two started, maybe more people would be interested.

(6)

KIWANIS CLUB - At the last community recreation meeting, representatives from the Chamberlain Kiwanis Club were down and spoke to the group and Mr. Sherwood Estes will be contacting people in the community to determine how many would be interested in establishing such a club on the reservation.

(7)

B.I.A. TRAILER - Mr. Joe Blacksmith asked about the condition of the old B.I.A. trailer and what plans were made for its use. He said that there is a real problem at the plant and that a lot of it begins right in the Public Housing area. The chairman stated that Mr. Blacksmith could get the key to this trailer and see what condition it is in, and also that another meeting will be held concerning the problems at Iron Nation.

(8)

PLANNING GRANT - Mr. Swenson reported that the planning grant for this year has been approved. He said that in regard to the present planning grant, there is a balance in the account of about \$400 but that Fort Thompson wouldn't make last week's payroll and that they had written him a letter saying that due to the lack of funds, they didn't see how they could make any future payrolls unless some action is taken by the inter-tribal council. The council said that they haven't been able to have an inter-tribal council meeting for three months because there is never a quorum present from Fort Thompson. On the new planning grant for this year it was discussed that it should be handled over here. Mr. Swenson stated that he had paid Lisa's salary, his secretary, for last pay period out of his own checking account, but that if something isn't done, he may have to let her go and close down the office.

*The meeting recessed for lunch and reconvened at 1:20 p.m.)

(9)

BUREAU SCHOOL FUNDS - Mr. Edwards stated that at one time money was appropriated by congress for facilities at the Pierre Boarding School but for several reasons, the facilities were never built and now there is some question whether they will ever be built. He said he didn't know whether this could be done and it would require some change in the legislation, but Washington is aware of the problems here concerning a secondary school, and it might be possible to request that these funds be diverted for high school facilities located in this district to serve both reservations. Mrs. Kay Gournau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting that funds appropriated for the Pierre Boarding School be diverted to secondary facilities to be built in Lyman County. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(10)

LAND SALE - A letter from Attorney Lindley mailed to Mr. Clarence Thompson and directed to the council was read concerning the Wilson land which Duval's want to purchase. Mr. Edwards informed the council that the owners did file an application for a patent fee; however, a patent could not be issued because there are minor children involved and it is a complicated tract. The tribe has released it to be advertised for public sale. In the meantime, a deed was taken from the Wilson heirs and filed in the county records in Lyman County, and that this was not the proper way to handle this and it is an offense to cloud trust property title. The solicitor said he would not prosecute however because he did not think it was a legal conveyance. The property is advertised for sale, the bids to be open the 20th of May, 1970.

(11)

PLANNING GRANT - The chairman reported that he received a call from Mr. Ray Harnes of E.D.A. and that money has been appropriated for the Planning Grant and that maybe Lower Brule could handle this and put in their cash contribution so the payroll could be met. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to go ahead and set up a special account for the Planning Grant, No. 06-5-15008, and deposit our cash contribution. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gournau and carried with four for, none against.

(12)

IRON NATION CORP. - The council met with Mr. Percy Pourier, foroman at the Iron Nation Corporation, and with representatives from the B.I.A. social services, O.E.O., Law and Order, and others to discuss problems at the Iron Nation Corp. Mr. Pourier stated that their biggest problem at the plant is that they have had quite a turn-over of personnel, men not showing up for work where alcoholism is involved and this is hurting their production. As far as their ability to work, they are good workers but there is a big turn-over and they must keep retraining every month. He said they have a production scale and they are going to get that production out and each month the quota is higher. The group discussed this and related problems of housing, drinking, and what can be done by Law and Order and welfare. It was discussed that the council law and order committee would work closely with welfare concerning applicants. Mr. Swenson said that he had expected this but he thought it would level off and it might take about six months, but in the end there will be men who will stick.

(13)


NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Titus, the Architect, and representatives from Rapid Plumbing Co., the low bidder on the Neighborhood Center, arrived. They discussed with the council the proposed changes in the building design, that instead of being built from pre-stressed concrete as originally planned, cement block would be used. Plans for the foundation and footings and other design changes were discussed with the council and Rapid Plumbing quoted a price for the building with these changes. The cost is still over the budget; however, a verbal commitment was made by H.U.D. saying that additional funds could be received in addition to the original grant amount and that a request should be submitted after the project is started. Mrs. Kay Gournouau made a motion to enter into a contract with Rapid Plumbing for the construction of the Neighborhood Center. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(14)

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brute Sioux Tribal Council held on April 22, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
APRIL 27, 1970

Re: E.D.A. Planning Grant

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, S. Dak. on Monday, April 27th, and was called to order at about 10:30 a.m., by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with the following people present:

Present

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Mr. James Swenson
Mr. Olson, from E.D.A. Duluth office

Absent

Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Clarence Thompson

Mr. Swenson and Mr. Olson reviewed with the council the grant offer which was submitted as follows:

Total authorized budget	\$34,013
Federal cash	25,400
Cash grantee (LB & CC)	4,966
In-kind grantee	<u>3,647</u>
	34,013

The terms and conditions of the grant offer were read and reviewed with the council. One stipulation of the previous grant was that a planning committee be set up and there was a discussion as to whether there should be one inter-tribal committee or two separate ones from each tribe, and the council thought that since the problems were so different, maybe it would be more effective to have two committees, and the chairman suggested that the committee be composed of local people, and that it be a smaller committee than the previous planning committee so that it would be easier to have a quorum and agree on projects. Mr. Swenson said that the way the other program was set up, it was intended to have the E.D.A. planner work closely with O.E.O. and B.I.A. economic development systems, and rather than keeping things secretive and everyone going off in different directions, if we could work toward a common goal, we could get a lot more done. Mr. Olson suggested also that the inter-tribal council could sit down at the beginning of a grant period and project ahead of time, and if you want your planning man to bring up your OEDP or any special projects you want done, these should be phased in month after month, then the program could be organized in such a way that you could report on your accomplishments as against your plans. He said that reservations have a tendency to be project oriented, and he is all for projects, but there needs to be a certain amount of project planning. You don't want a planner to be an errand boy for a tribal council, because if this would happen, it would be to your detriment in the long run. We would like you to stick to a plan and have your man do the type of work that will establish a base for development, rather than just meeting emergencies. We want this program to help you lay a firm base for development on your reservation.

In regard to the budget, the money should be spent in accordance with the budget but the grantee can make a shifting from one account to the other, but a brief explanation should accompany your financial report. The amount programmed in the accounts was reviewed and it was mentioned that the account personnel burden was set up for insurance and it is all federal cash except for \$100 and that this should be taken care of because employees should be entitled to that sort of benefit. The grant year is from April 1st to March 31st. All federal and non-federal cash should be deposited to this special account. All unexpended federal funds must be returned to E.D.A. If you do go over 10% of the budget, you should let us know about this.

Mr. Olson said that the grant is a little more than last year and will involve a larger grantee cash and in-kind contribution. The council discussed that the division of this grantee cash and in-kind would be up to the inter-tribal council. As to who would take care of the bookkeeping, the council indicated that they would like to have it handled over here, but that it would be a decision to be made by the inter-tribal council. The possibility of training Mr. Swenson's secretary to take care of the books was also discussed and Mr. Olson said that they would be glad to provide technical assistance to a bookkeeper if she needed it, or she could be sent to Duluth to receive training right there at that office.

There being no further business, motion was made and seconded and carried to adjourn.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
 MAY 6-7, 1970

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MINUTES
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 6, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on May 6, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, at 10:25 a.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Charles Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

PROPOSAL FOR MUSIC FESTIVAL - Mr. Gary Schmidt from Sunnyville, California, gave the council a written copy of his proposal for the production of an outdoor music festival which he would like to put on at Lower Brule and described this type of event to the council. He said it would be a three-day affair with top music groups and it would be advertised in all the major cities throughout the United States. It would be a national event and would draw anywhere from around 150,000 to 600,000 people. He said that they would like to have it held in August and they would call it "Indian Summer Earth Day" and would have for a theme a return to nature and preservation of natural beauty. He said he had looked over the area and was pleased with what he saw, that there are good access roads, and that the Little Bend Area would be suitable because admission could be charged at the narrows area and would eliminate problems caused by gate crashing when there is a fenced area. He said that he would like to make this an annual affair and that it could bring tremendous benefits to the tribe in national advertising, sale of arts and crafts, etc. He also said that the tribe could have concession rights or a percent of the gate. The dangers in an event like this were also discussed, the possibility of property damage, etc. Mr. Schmidt told how many security officers they would have and said that he would be responsible for damages. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion that we pursue this music festival venture in the interest of the Tribe. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that this motion is just to express our interest and this was agreed. A vote was taken and the motion carried with six for and none against. It was agreed that Mr. Schmidt would try to work up some kind of an agreement on terms and the the council would meet with him again tomorrow morning to go over this.

(The meeting recessed for dinner which was served by the Extension Club, and the meeting reconvened at 1:15 p.m.)

(2)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - A letter was read from Mr. Larson concerning the default in payment of the balance remaining on the Chalomar settlement. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to table this matter until we can have a meeting with our attorney. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

REQUEST SERVICES OF AUDITOR - The Chairman stated that each year the B.I.A. auditor comes around and audits the tribal books but that we need to request this. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to request the services of an auditor. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(4)

ENROLLMENT - The applications for enrollment were reviewed by the council. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll those four with birth certificates -- Mark Allen Riese, son of Chester and Bernice Metcalf Riese; Edmond Elijah Quitt, son of Ell and Pearl Quitt; Dominic Paul Yellow, son of Donald and Donna LaRoche Yellow; and Herbert James Goodlow, son of Lawrence and Mary Goodlow. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against. In regard to the enrollment of Berdine Jo Goodface, Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to write to Mrs. Guffin and see if they can get a birth certificate. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(5)

REQUEST TO BUY 5 ACRES - A letter was read from Geraldine Ziegler asking to buy 5 acres of land on the top of the hill. The council discussed this and Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to advise her that we cannot sell tribal land, that all we can sell is land purchased with Act Funds and that this wasn't, and also that she was assigned the use of that land on a long term lease. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(6)

REQUEST FOR LAND SALE - The chairman stated that Mr. Joe Grassrope wants to sell his land, the Spirit Walker estate, and Matthew Grassrope wants to sell his interest. They were called in and clarified with Joe Brewer exactly what land they wanted to sell. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request an appraisal on that, with the intent to buy it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE - A letter was read asking if there would be a per capita payment; however the council said they didn't know of any. Another letter was read asking if the tribe had any old lumber for use in building a shed; the chairman said there was none, but that the housing contractor might have some seconds to throw away. A thankyou letter was read thanking the council for a graduation grant.

(8)

LOCATION OF BUREAU OFFICES - A letter dated April 15th from Commissioner Bruce was read stating that he had asked the Acting Area Director and the Superintendent to meet with the councils of both reservations in regard to making the Bureau services more readily available. Mr. Edzards asked for the council's opinion. The council discussed this and said that it would be better to have the social services and realty offices closer to the people they are working with, that there weren't too many complaints about Lower Brule not getting their business done, but that what really was wrong in the first place was the resolution which was taken to the N.C.A.I. saying that both Lower Brule and Crow Creek supported having the offices at Fort Thompson. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that he didn't think it was fair to the Lower Brule reservation to have all the offices at Fort Thompson, and he made a motion that what we really want is our own administrative offices over here, and that is what we seek. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(9)

GRASSROPE IRRIGATION STUDY - Mr. Edzards said that he had received a copy of the Grassrope Irrigation Feasibility Study which is now completed and it is at the point now where it will go to congress to request an appropriation if you want it. The acreage involved is 4100 acres; of this 2100 is tribal land, 289 submarginal, Karlan has 80 acres and Petersons about 1,000. The cost of developing the system is \$936 per acre. Of this cost 85% of the cost would be paid from the sale of power usage from the dam. The water charge would be \$11.15 an acre and this is broken down \$7.37 for operation and maintenance charge and \$3.78 to be paid back for the construction cost. It might be possible that on trust land only \$7.37 per acre would be charged, and the balance might be charged back against the land if it were to come out of trust. The total project would be over one million dollars and would include underground pipe, pumping station and concrete ditches. It would just put the water to the high point of the field and then the land owner would still have the job of leveling the land and furnishing his own irrigation system. Mrs. Estes said that she thought we should go on record that we are interested and Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to that effect, to continue to go along with this program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(10)

ROAD DEPT. POSITION - (Mrs. Kay Gourneau left the meeting.) Mr. Edzards read a letter concerning the selection of the Engineering Equipment Operator from the four applications received. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion that we ask approval of the four applicants mentioned and that our Lower Brule applicant be given serious consideration for this position. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with two for, none opposed, three not voting and Mrs. Gourneau absent. Those not voting were Mrs. Estes, Mr. Charles Langdeau, and Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(11)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - Educational grant applications were received for Mr. Darrell Huntsman, Ramona Johnson, William D. LaRoche, and a graduation grant for Mary Tapley. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give them all a grant. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 6, 1970

(12)

FUNERAL EXPENSES - The council discussed the cost of funeral expenses and the trouble the different tribal members have had in dealing with the McCauley Funeral Home in Chamberlain. The chairman stated that he had wondered if it would be possible for the tribe to carry burial insurance. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to look into that burial insurance and if it is available, to purchase it. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(13)

WATER DEVELOPMENT, GIFFORD RANCH - A letter was read from the Soil Conservation Service in Pierre stating that they have no funds available for cost-sharing in water development on the Gifford Ranch.

(14)

AIR CONDITIONING FOR THE STORE BUILDING - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that he has a request concerning air conditioning at the store and that he was thinking of putting a hole in the side of the store for an air conditioning unit. The council discussed this and mentioned also that the C.H.R. office and headstart rooms in this building are also in need of air conditioning. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to table this and find out more about what it would cost for central air conditioning. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(15)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

SPECIAL MEETING

MAY 7, 1970

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(16)

LAW AND ORDER CODE - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that the judges had gone over the law and order code with the legal aid attorney and there are some sections which should be changed to bring the code into compliance with civil rights laws. Some of these changes were discussed. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion that within the next few days we sit down with the law and order people, officers and judges, and legal aid, and see if some of these changes could come about. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson. The date of May 12th at 1:00 p.m. was agreed upon. The motion carried with three for, and three absent. (Charles, Grace and Clarence voting for; Kay, Orville, and J. W. Thompson absent for vote.)

(17)

LAW AND ORDER ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AND MENTAL HEALTH TRAVELING TEAM - Mr. Orville Langdeau gave the council a copy of the proposed Law and Order Enforcement Program which would be a joint program with the Crow Creek Reservation and would provide for a probation officer and two rehabilitation therapists and what they were trying to do is get this funded through the Omnibus Crime Control Act. He also told of the proposal for a mental health traveling team to serve both reservations. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to look into the possibility of getting either one of them funded somehow because if we could get it on the reservation, it would be of benefit. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with three for, three absent. (Kay, J. W. Thompson and Charles absent.)

(18)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT - Mrs. Estes read a letter concerning training in hair styling which Bernadine Metcalf wants to take, and apparently she is ineligible for 874 training because of her age. Mrs. Estes made a motion to approve this educational grant. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

(19)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Swenson reported that Mr. Titus had completed the drawings for the neighborhood center and the final contract price was \$240,000 even and that this figure will include a state electrical inspection, sidewalks, and water and sewer to the street.

(The meeting recessed and was called back to order in the afternoon with those present as follows: Andrew Estes, Orville Langdeau, Charles Langdeau, Clarence Thompson and J. W. Thompson. (Grace and Kay absent)

(20)

MUSIC FESTIVAL - The chairman called the meeting to order and gave the floor to Mr. Gary Schmidt concerning the proposed music festival. Mr. Schmidt read the rough draft of the agreement he had prepared, which offered the tribe 1% of the gate and all the concession rights, which the tribe could sublet, and the other terms of the agreement were reviewed. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that he would like to make a motion to have the chairman sign this agreement. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he had talked to some of his members to try to explain it the best he could, but it didn't meet their approval. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that he had talked to some people and there was fear expressed about the possibilities of things happening with a large number of people coming in at one time like that so he would have to vote against it. Mr. Charles Langdeau said he would have to vote against it too. Mr. Schmidt asked if there was anything he could do to assure the tribe that he would be responsible and asked what were the problems the people seem to fear. The chairman stated that there are different things, they are afraid of dope, and maybe of somebody getting killed, and that this was a risk that the council didn't want to take.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the meetings of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on May 6th and 7th, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
LAND COMMITTEE MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE
MAY 11, 1970

The meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the afternoon of May 11th with those present as follows:

Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Orville Langdeau

Mr. Hugh Wynia
and two other representatives from
the Medicine Creek Grazing Assn.

Mr. Wynia had a map and showed the committee the land they were interested in selling and what they were interested in keeping. The various sections they wanted to sell were totalled up and came to about 5,000 acres. He said the total that they own is about 8350 acres.

Mr. J. W. Thompson asked how much deeded land they use in conjunction with this land and they said about 5 quarters and 80 acres from the tribe over here.

Mr. Clarence Thompson asked how much an acre they thought it was worth. Mr. Wynia said about \$65 an acre, and he didn't think they would take anything less than that.

Mr. J. W. Thompson said that he thought that was about all we could do today is take a look at what you have for sale and what you want to retain and hear your price. We will have to find some money, that is our next problem.


Mr. Wynia said that they would have to do something pretty fast or else do a lot of fencing. He said that last year Fay rented some of this and Jiggs had 80 and it gets pretty complicated. He asked if they could work up some kind of a deal with Linda on that she is getting and J. W. Thompson said that they would have to talk to her about that.

Mr. Wynia asked if the price sounded all right or out of line. Mr. J. W. Thompson replied that he wasn't in a position to say right now, and that we have never been in a situation like this where a ranch is cut in half and you keep your buildings and sell quarters scattered all over. Mr. Langdeau said that in terms of money, they are asking more than Gifford.

Mr. Wynia said that this would put a great hunk of land together for the Tribe.

A map was given to Mr. Wynia so that he could mark what they want to keep and what they want to sell so this could be discussed at the next council meeting.

Mr. Wynia also asked who was in charge of planting at the Larson place, as he had some extra millet seed if they would want it. Mr. Langdeau informed him that he thought Mr. Joe Blacksmith and Mr. Riehly were planning this.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
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 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 3, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on June 3, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, at 10:30 a.m., with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	
Mr. Clarence Thompson (arrv. 10:45)	Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Charles Langdeau	
Mr. Orville Langdeau	
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	
Mr. J. W. Thompson	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICES - The chairman circulated Attorney Larson's invoices for the past two months to the council for their review. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve these. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against, two absent.

(2)

AMENDATORY BUDGET, NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - The council reviewed the amendatory budget and development cost for the Neighborhood Center. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to approve the amendatory budget and to request a grant increase and agree to provide the additional tribal cash required. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for, none against, two absent.

(3)

GRAZING ASSOCIATION LAND - The council received copies of a land committee meeting held on May 11th and reviewed the map showing the land which the Association proposes to sell and what they want to keep. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to request an appraisal of this Grazing Association ranch land and that this appraisal be made before the 15th of June. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

RESERVATION ROADS - Mr. Lawrence Thompson asked if the Tribe could help get the roads at Fort Hale fixed up. The council discussed this road and other reservation roads which are badly in need of repair and mentioned the many other requests the council has made asking that these roads be repaired. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting that the Road Department step up their program on all the roads on the reservation as they are all badly in need of repair, and that we write to the congressional delegate in regard to this. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(5)

ENROLLMENT - Two enrollment applications and birth certificates were received for Mathew Scott Anderson, son of Agatha Yellow Anderson and Richard Anderson, and for Raechelle Dawn LaRoche, daughter of Sylvia and Bernard LaRoche. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll these two children. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(6)

REQUEST FOR APPRAISAL - A letter was received from Mr. John L. DeSmet asking to sell his land. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request an appraisal. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(7)

UNITED SIOUX TRIBES CHARTER - A letter dated May 28th concerning the United Sioux Tribes incorporation was reviewed by the council. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt such a resolution for the United Sioux Tribes charter. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(8)

LAW AND ORDER BUY-INDIAN ACT CONTRACT - The chairman stated that a resolution would be needed to renew our Buy-Indian Act contract on Law and Order for F.Y. 1971. Mr. Orville Langdeau said also that we are badly in need of a night watchman as there has been a lot of vandallism on buildings, old and new. Mrs. Gourneau mentioned also that the tribal police wages ought to be increased so they would at least receive the minimum wage. The chairman suggested that we table this and ask Mr. Edzards about getting another position added.

(9)

TRIBAL BUDGET, F.Y. 1971 - The chairman stated that we need to set a date for a credit committee meeting to prepare the budget for 71. The date of Tuesday, June 9th at 10:00 a.m. was agreed upon. It was mentioned that on the 15th there would be a land committee meeting at Pierre.

(10)

LAWRENCE THOMPSON CATTLE COUNT - Mr. Clarence Thompson said that Mr. Lawrence Thompson branded on May 30th and he gave the council his cattle count.

(11)

UF DATING PLANNING STUDIES - Mr. Carl Smith brought in Mr. John Crane from the Leo O. Daly Planning Firm to discuss with the council the updating of our Councilor Creek Study and our 701 Planning Study. Mr. Crane said that if the Tribe would want this continual planning, the State Planning Agency would assist with 75% of the cost. The contract he suggested would have an upper limit of \$4800, of which the Tribe would be required to pay approximately \$1200. Mr. Crane said that this area has tremendous potential for development and as a planner, his job would be to make suggestions to the council and devise ways and means of getting financing for developing facilities and getting them put in place. The chairman advised Mr. Crane that the council would give this matter some thought.

(The meeting recessed for dinner and reconvened at 1:20 p.m.)

(12)

LEASE OF BAR LOT - Mr. Delano LeCompte said that they were in the process of buying the bar and must have a guarantee from the Tribe that the lease on the lot will run for ten years. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that at present he has a five year lease and requested that this be cancelled so that it can be leased to Delano. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to that effect, to adopt a resolution to cancel J. W. Thompson's lease and grant the lease on that Lot 3-C for ten years to Mr. Delano LeCompte. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for and none against. A token rental of \$1.00 was set.

(13)

WATER COOPERATIVE - The chairman reported that he received a call from Mr. Frank Wooster in regard to the water pipeline from Murdo. He asked if we wanted to include the Larson Place on this water hook-up, and it would cost \$25. The council discussed this and Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that the Tribe sign up those houses for the water program (the Larson and Gifford Ranches) and to encourage individuals to sign up too, and to investigate the possibility of including the town. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for, none against, Grace and Clarence absent.

(14)

LOWER BRULE FAIR & RODEO DATE - The chairman asked about setting the dates for the fair as Mr. Kiffelson, from Raven Industries, was thinking of bringing out the Postmaster from Washington, D. C. and some people from the Small Business Administration. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to set the dates of the 8th and 9th of August as the dates for the fair. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(15)

RESERVATION ROADS - The chairman asked Mr. Edzards about the bad condition of the roads. Mr. Edzards said that the 1970 money is gone and that they wouldn't have 1971 money until after July 1st and that there will be less money than last year. He said he talked to the Road Department and asked them to fill in the holes on the Cedar Creek Road as he almost turned his car over coming down today. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that pretty soon we would have to go to Washington and meet with them on this as we now have heavier traffic than just reservation traffic and it seems like they never increase the appropriation. Mr. Edzards suggested that we have Mr. Stoick from Rosebud come down as soon as possible and meet with him to decide how the 1971 money should be spent and Mrs. Gourneau suggested the date of Tuesday, when we have our budget meeting.

(16)

LAW AND ORDER BUY INDIAN ACT CONTRACT - The chairman asked if it would be possible to add another position for a policeman due to the increased problems with vandalism in the community. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to ask for renewal of the Buy-Indian Act contract and increased services. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for, none against. Mr. Edzards said that we would then have everything under contract except the two policemen and it might be better to put the whole department under Buy-Indian contract. Mrs. Gourneau inquired about the benefits and Mr. Edzards said they could still be carried as a civil service employee but they would be under the supervision of the council.

(17)

LAND CONSOLIDATION PROGRAM - Mr. Clarence Skye reviewed with the council a list showing the major tracts included in the proposed land consolidation program and possible funding or financing for these purchases was discussed briefly.

(18)

N.Y.C. PROGRAM - Mr. Skye discussed with the council the summer youth program and that there will be about twenty kids working on this side from June 8th through August 14th. The need for a supervisor was discussed and that it needs to be someone good who will take an interest and really work with the kids. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to contribute the funds for a supervisor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(19)

REQUEST FOR HOUSING - Mrs. Annie Flute and Mrs. Rhoda Mareno asked if there was any housing available and asked about the possibility of renting the trailer which had been used for storage of materials for the Mutual Housing Project. They also mentioned others in need of housing, home repair needed at Mrs. Annie Flute's house, an addition needed to Loretta's house, repairs needed at Public Housing homes, and Annie mentioned that she has been asking that dirt be hauled at her place. Mrs. Mareno stated she has applied for housing and Mrs. Gourneau informed her that the new housing should be completed by the 1st of July. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion that the local officials in the townsite look into this situation that these people are asking about and see if they can get relief if possible. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(20)

UPDATING OF COUNCILLOR CREEK STUDY AND COMPLEX -- Mr. Swenson discussed with the council their resolutions requesting an updating of the Councilor Creek Study and request for a complex. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to continue to have our resource people investigate the possibility of a private firm or investor developing the Councilor Creek Area, and to hold our application for a feasibility study in abeyance until a later date at which time a complete application for a grant will be formulated and submitted with proper documentation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(21)

PLANNING ASSISTANCE GRANT, INTER-TRIBAL - Mr. Swenson discussed with the council the status of the planning grant, that unless the inter-tribal council accept and sign the grant offer by a certain date, that we will lose the grant and it will be given to another reservation. The council said that the grant offer was accepted by a majority vote of the inter-tribal council and that the inter-tribal chairman should be obligated to sign it; however, Mr. Patti, the inter-tribal chairman has not done this because of opposition by some of the Crow Creek council. The chairman and Mrs. Gourneau stated that they would go to Fort Thompson and try to get this signed, or get the document for the vice-chairman to sign.

(22)

ANNUAL RODEO, AUGUST 8-9 - This rodeo was discussed and Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to have Mr. Charles Langdeau see about getting our stock approved and whatever it takes to get an S.D.R.A. approved show on the 8th and 9th. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(23)

REQUEST FOR LOAN - A letter was read from Mr. Joe Grassrope requesting a loan until his land sale goes through. The council discussed this, that the funds from the land sale would be controlled by welfare, and Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that his letter be referred to welfare. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(24)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(25)

TEEN CENTER - Mr. Orville Langdeau inquired whether the teen center was going to stay closed or what. The chairman suggested that it be moved from its location in the cafe building to a different area and that he was thinking of the guild hall by the Episcopal Church which is being renovated. It was discussed that maybe the N.Y.C. kids could operate the snow-cone machine and sell snow-cones under the supervision of the N.Y.C. supervisor.

(26)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on June 3, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office Building in Lower Brule, South Dakota, on June 11, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, at 11:15 a.m., with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	J. W. Thompson
Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman	Charles Langdeau
Grace Estes	
Kay Gourneau	
Orville Langdeau	
Joyce Estes, Finance Officer	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

The chairman stated that the purpose of this meeting was to set up the budget for F.Y. 1971. Mrs. Joyce Estes presented the council with copies of a guideline showing expenditures for 1970 and estimates for 1971 in the various accounts.

It was agreed to allow \$8200 for council salaries since this is an election year. The janitor position was discussed and the chairman said that it was advertised but there were only three applicants and he had made a temporary selection of William Quilt. Office equipment was discussed and Mrs. Estes said that we had traded in our old mimeograph machine for a new one. It was mentioned that a new adding machine is also needed. On legal services, Mrs. Estes explained that the additional cost this year was because of attorney fees concerning the school reorganization.

In regard to the Neighborhood Center, Mrs. Estes said that she had allowed additional money under insurance to take care of the insurance on that and she had included \$2,000 for maintenance of this building. The chairman said that Mr. Skye has submitted a program to provide funds for the operation of this building, heating, lights, maintenance, etc. Mrs. Estes said that she had also budgeted an additional \$10,000 which can be used for the construction of the building.

Mrs. Grace Estes inquired about the rodeos and how the Tribe comes out as there is quite a bit tied up in rodeos. Mrs. Joyce Estes said that we have been doing pretty well and all the labor is donated. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he heard that some of the stock was sold at under market value and that some never paid for it, and that they turned around and resold it and still didn't pay for it. The chairman said that he gave \$140 for the steers and the calves were bought for \$90 each. He said that the committee got together and set the price for which they were sold and they agreed on \$150 for the steers and \$90 for the calves. Mrs. Estes looked over the records and said that Mitt Ness paid for

23 calves and 9 steers and he gave us what we paid for them. Jiggs paid for 11 steers. Kenny and Donny Harmon got one steer each and they still owe, and Fay still owes for five. Mrs. Gourneau said the reason that they were allowed to buy these was that they had worked all year up at the rodeo grounds for free. The only rodeo for which they were paid was for the A.A.I.A.A. rodeo and that was because the Association requires that they be paid. Mrs. Joyce Estes also showed the list of the ponies that were bought and resold for the amount they were purchased and that they were all sold and everything is paid for. Mr. Clarence Thompson agreed that it was good anytime the tribe can get their money back and make someone happy and give them something to do. The rodeo stock was discussed and the chairman said that we have 17 head of bucking horses now and some of them are getting old and we should get rid of them. He said that he had sold some which didn't buck and purchased some more. He said that they also purchased some yearlings for the highschool rodeo and they really fired.

The amount budgeted under the commodity program was mentioned, in that it is all for freight and the freight charges are really high. It was questioned whether the B.I.A. should help on this.

Tribal police wages were discussed and that they are getting only \$1.50 an hour which is not even the minimum wage. They are not used regularly, but only when there is a special event or some need for extra police and the council agreed on raising that to \$1.75 per hour.

Mrs. Joyce Estes mentioned also that she had reduced the amount for home repair. The chairman said that this year O.E.O. is furnishing the labor and H.I.P. will furnish most of the material so the tribe shouldn't have to furnish everything this year. Mrs. Estes mentioned also that now that employment is available, the people should accept these minor repairs as part of their own responsibility rather than to depend on the tribe for everything.

(The meeting recessed at 12:30 for lunch and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.)

The council met with Mr. Tlustos and discussed the H.I.P. program and asked if there was any possibility of drawing the money out now so that we won't lose it as it doesn't look like it will all be spent before July 1st. Mr. Tlustos said that he had inquired about this but they had advised him to request a sixty day extension to give us more time.

Mrs. Estes reported that on the Gifford Ranch, the payments are \$14,000 per year for five years and that she would budget this. She said that on that \$400,000 time deposit certificate, there is no way around it but that we will have to take \$100,000 out of that. She said that the livestock money and administrative money is not in the treasury but is all drawn out. She said that community development money is wiped out because the last \$27,000 was withdrawn and transferred to a special account for the neighborhood center. She said the money programmed for land was spent this year. She said there are three figures we need to work with, what we have here, what we have in the treasury, and what we have in Aberdeen.

The Fort Hale Land purchase was discussed and the tribal attorney was mentioned. Mrs. Grace Estes said that when we were working to keep the land, he was working against us on the Medicine Creek Association. She suggested if the tribe does consider changing, to consider Mr. Dennis Hill from Rapid City as he is really good and he is not afraid to speak up for the Indians. He is sharp and knows the legal aspects of Indian affairs.

The account for membership dues and fees was mentioned, that N.C.A.I. dues would be \$250, and that United Sioux Tribes dues, Great Lakes Association and Stock Growers Association were the main other memberships.

In regard to the amount allowed to tribal members for funeral expenses, Mrs. Grace Estes reported that Fort Thompson allows \$150 and suggested that we should increase this amount from \$35 for our members. Joyce explained that this would come under the classification of Emergency Assistance. The chairman said that Frank had told him that under Title 18 or 19 funds are available for burial and that we should inquire about this.

Mr. Orville Langdeau mentioned that we talked about having some, two or three game wardens hired and talked about a tribal goose hunting project and controlling the hunting on tribal land. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that when they lease land for grazing or crops, it doesn't say anything about hunting rights but the lease could be increased to allow for hunting and then the tribe would be out of it. That would be one way.

Mr. Clarence Skye came in and Mrs. Grace Estes asked about hunting and game wardens. Mr. Skye described the Pine Ridge Ranger Corps Program and it is pretty nice. He said that the tribes of south Dakota, either by individual tribal resolutions or through the United Sioux Tribes, are trying to form an Indian "CAMPS" committee and the Department of Labor is supposed to give us help in this.

Mr. Skye also reported that he was trying to stick with Don Isburg but that that he finally had to write him a letter suspending him. He said that in the meantime while he was gone, Mrs. Garreau wrote him a letter of termination without any authorization from Mr. Skye and signed his name to it, and that this could be a legal case, as he is contracting in the state and has bonds to keep up.

Mrs. Grace Estes suggested that maybe Clarence would know something about this Title 18 or 19 that Frank told Andrew about. The chairman informed Mr. Skye that we were told that under Title 18 or 19 the government is supposed to provide burial expenses and asked Clarence to find out about this for us

In regard to the legal aspects of the Tribe's regulating the hunting and possibly the fishing, the council had previously asked Professor Layman from the University for assistance; however, he wrote back saying he was too busy. Mrs. Estes suggested calling Dennis Hill in Rapid City concerning this, as Clarence Skye said that he thought a test case was pending now to determine whether or not the Tribe can control the hunting on deeded land within the reservation boundaries, and as it appears now, it looks like Mr. Hill will win this case in favor of the tribe.

Mrs. Joyce Estes inquired whether to include any expenses next year for farming. The chairman said that this year they are putting in milo, squaw corn and sweet corn and that they have been having trouble with the tractors breaking down and that finally he got Mr. Wynia to help with that up at the Boy's Ranch and he agreed to exchange work, and that Andrew would fix fence for him. So far all the expenses on this farming for this year have been borne by the Chairman personally, and he said that he has hired the men himself because if they think they are working for the Tribe, they will take all summer to get it done. The council discussed this and suggested a figure of about \$2,000 for this for next year. The chairman reported that Mr. Riehle has been helping and suggested a hog project as there is enough farm ground available to do this.

In regard to a property inventory, Mrs. Joyce Estes inquired whether Orville wanted to do this again and he indicated he would.

Mr. Orville Langdeau said that before we adjourn, the Law and Order Department wanted to get the South Dakota State Law Books and that they would cost about \$150 to \$160 dollars. Mrs. Estes said that she would include under Law and Order enough money for these.

A meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, the 17th at 1:00 p.m. for final approval of the budget as some of the members were not present today.

Mr. Orville Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and two absent.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 17, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on June 17, 1970, and was called to order at about 2:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes	Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mr. Orville Langdeau	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVE TITLE I CONTRACTS - Mr. Vance and Mr. Gabe Williams discussed with the council the programs they would like the Tribe to consider contracting for next year. He said that the Pierre School hopes to operate two separate Title I programs. Project No. 7195 would be in the amount of \$52,525 and would be like the program we had this year with increased supplies and services. The other project is called the cottage project, No. 7196, and would be in the amount of \$24,000 (plus \$16,000 from the Lutheran Social Services). He said that this is an experimental project whereby they would like to purchase two large four-bedroom mobile homes and rather than have the first and second graders living in the dormitory, they would like to provide a home-type environment for them. The \$24,000 provided would be for the salary for two couples who would act as foster parents at \$420 per month per couple for ten months. Funds are also budgeted for recreation, clothing allowances, food expenses, a relief parent, etc. Mr. Vance said that in regard to the mobile homes, they have talked with the Isoman Corporation and can purchase two mobile homes for \$27,495 total, or \$13,895 for the first and \$13,600 for the second, and that set-up charges would be additional. These mobile homes will each be four bedroom, completely furnished, with washer, dryer, carpeting, etc. The only problem is that Title I funds cannot be used for purchasing these trailers. The Lutheran Social Services has agreed to contribute \$16,000 to this project which funds can be used for one trailer; however, no funds are available this year for the second trailer. He said that the Isoman Corporation would be willing to carry the balance on the second trailer, financed at 6% interest, if the tribe would be willing to enter into a contract for this. Mr. Vance explained that they hoped that if the project is successful, that next year funds would be available to pay this balance and continue the project. If not, the trailers would become the property of the Tribe and they could either keep the one and turn the second trailer back, or whatever the Tribe decided to do. Mr. Vance mentioned also that they have increased the Tribe's share for administrative costs to 4% on these contracts. The council discussed these projects and Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution to enter into a contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the administration of these Title I projects, No. 7196 for the Cottage Project, and No. 7195, Project Enrichment, and to accept the \$16,000 from the Lutheran

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Social Services and to enter into a contract with the Iseman Corporation for the purchase of two trailers. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for, none against, three absent. Mr. Williams said that they would also like the Tribe to consider contracting for the Title I Project for the Lower Brule Day School, which is Project No. 7197 for \$26,984, which will be essentially the same as last year except that there will be additional equipment and materials and one less aid, and that it will be figured at 4%. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to enter into this Buy Indian Act Contract for the Title I Project for the Lower Brule Day School. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

(2)

LOWER BRULE SCHOOL - Mr. Williams reported that Mrs. Collesch and Mrs. Bukacek will not be here next year and they would like to get a man and wife team because of the quarters. There will also be an additional teacher, a man from Pierre. The chairman asked whether or not the 7th and 8th graders will be going to Reliance next year and whose decision that will be. Mr. Williams said that wouldn't be their decision.

(3)

LAND PURCHASE FUNDS - Mr. McKay gave the council a copy of a loan application form which would have to be completed in order for the Tribe to borrow from the U.S. revolving credit fund for land purchase. A meeting was tentatively scheduled for the 22nd pending the chairman's confirming this date with Mr. Bingham from the Aberdeen Area Office.

(4)


APPROVE TRIBAL BUDGET, F.Y. 1971 - The council received copies of minutes of a special budget meeting held on June 11th and discussed further the amount allowed to tribal members for funeral expenses. It was agreed to budget additional funds under emergency assistance so that this amount could be raised to \$150. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to approve the budget. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for, none against, three absent.

(5)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on June 18, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JULY 1, 1970

A regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on July 1, 1970, and was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman	Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. J. W. Thompson	
Mrs. Grace Estes	
Mr. Orville Langdeau	
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

IRON NATION CORPORATION - Mr. Kittelson gave the council a status report on the Iron Nation Corporation so that the council would know what is being done right now and what the plans are for the future. He said they had two things in mind in setting up this plant - employment here in Lower Brule and training the people so that they could fit into an industry such as this. The primary purpose is employment of the people out here and that is why we have insisted that only people from Lower Brule be employed here. Along with this, Mr. Kittelson said he would like to explain some of the problems. We have had to go to the post office twice and ask for contract extensions because we just cannot meet our quotas. We cannot keep a labor force. When we get a man trained up to speed, he either quits or has to be discharged. He showed the council a chart showing the labor turn-over. In February they hired fifteen, and of those only four are left. Eleven either quit or had to be discharged. In March, everyone hired left. Forty-three men have been hired, not counting one hired who never showed up. He said you are probably wondering what are the reasons, and he showed another chart. The biggest problems are absenteeism. Secondly, we have tied intoxication in with absenteeism. The men do superior work and the product is a good product which we are proud of, but the problem is getting them there to work. This labor turnover is really hurting the business because there is no control over this. We renegotiated delivery rates. We planned to put out about 1375 large and 650 small bags per month. We have reduced that in half, to 600 large bags and 300 small bags. These were to have been shipped out yesterday, but we still don't have them. But we will have them in a couple days. We have reduced our quotas and extended our delivery rates through the end of February. We are going to put on three more people and bring in two more sewing machines. This increases our operating expenses and reduces our profits, but we must do this to get our quotas out. Mr. Kittelson invited the council down to look at the plant; he said the working conditions are nice, the building is air conditioned, and few plants have such a nice building. As to the wages, they have started the men at the minimum wage and given increases, maybe they have increased them too fast. He said we are showing good quality, but are hedging on performance.

Mr. Kittelson said they are going to increase the employees from 15 to 18. He said they have secured another contract with the army and for this they plan to bring in women and some special sewing machines and he showed the army rifle sling adapter strap which they will be making. He said that is all he has, and he thinks the council all realize what we are saying. We would like to have some reliable people, as it is those who stick with the company who will benefit the most.

(2)

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING AVAILABLE - Mr. Swenson informed the council of a training program sponsored by the Donner Foundation and E.D.A. whereby they will train Indian men to work in positions such as his for industrial development for the reservations. They would prefer a single man, or a married man without children, with at least a high school education. They will go to a large city and stay there for twelve months and work along with someone in this field and it will be a real good opportunity for someone to receive a good education. They will receive \$8,000 per year while training with a two-weeks vacation. There will be ten men selected for this from the whole U.S.

(3)

INTER-TRIBAL PLANNING GRANT - Mr. Swenson said that there should be some money in from Washington for the Planning Grant and that he has been unable to get in touch with Mr. Pattee to find out whether they have received the check. He said that his phone has been disconnected because the bill hasn't been paid and Lisa and he haven't been paid for about two months now, and he hasn't received any expenses since January. He said the Tribes haven't been getting full value from the planning grant the way it is operating now because he hasn't been able to travel and do the things which he should be doing and that he has had to receive calls at home. Mr. Kittelson said that Mr. Swenson has been of assistance to them at Raven in helping to set up the Iron Nation Corporation. The chairman inquired who would be taking care of the books for the planning grant. Mr. Swenson said they hoped to send Lisa to Duluth for training as this would be a good opportunity for her and she could do this.

(The meeting recessed so that the council members could tour the Iron Nation Corporation and have lunch, and the meeting reconvened at 1:00)

(4)

4-H CLUB CAMP - Mr. Riehle said that 4-H Club Camp would be held in Madison, S. D. on the 14, 15, and 16th, and there are seventeen kids interested in going at a cost of \$8.00 per individual. Transportation would be furnished by the B.I.A. and Mr. Riehle would chaperone the boys, and Mrs. Marilyn Harmon, the new Extension Agent, would chaperone the girls. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to pay for these kids going like last year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against, two absent. Mr. Riehle thanked the council for sending Janet Goodlow to Club Week at Brookings.

(5)

HOME REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS - Mr. Abe Langdeau, the O.E.O. Home Repair supervisor for the inter-tribal home repair and Home Improvement Programs, outlined his plan of work on both reservations and gave cost estimates for the materials needed for the new homes and bathroom additions which are being built.

(6)

ALCOHOLISM PROGRAM - Mr. Skye reported that the funds for the alcoholism program are being released and they hope to start the program as soon as possible, within the month or next month.

(7)

O.E.O. PROGRAM PLANNING - Mr. Skye said that they want to start planning now for the coming year and at the next Inter-tribal meeting, all new programs and changes in programs should be discussed. He said that he had written to the people asking if there are any changes they want in the programs. Mrs. Grace Estes mentioned also that more cooperation was needed so that a quorum could be present for Inter-tribal meetings.

(8)

O.E.O. TRAVEL - A letter was read recommending that the University of S. Dak. be permitted to authorize travel for the CAP Director. Presently out of state travel must be approved in Washington and often meetings are missed because travel authorization is received too late. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to request that authorization for out of state travel be given by Vermillion so that our man can get to meetings on time. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(9)

STATE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT - Mr. Clarence Skye said that the state is requesting funding from Washington to do studies and research on Indians within the state and that they want permission from all the CAP directors to do this study. He asked whether or not the council wanted him to sign this granting permission for the study. It was decided to table this for inter-tribal action at the next inter-tribal council meeting.

(10)

HIGH SCHOOL - Mr. LaBelle said that he wanted to bring the council up to date on the school situation in Lyman County. He said that the schools at Reliance and Presho would operate this year and that Kennebec and Vivian were officially closed. Kennebec was assigned to Reliance and Vivian to Presho for high school.

(11)

APPLICATION FOR REVOLVING CREDIT FUNDS - Mr. McKay distributed to the council copies of an application for loan of revolving credit funds and outlined what would have to be submitted to borrow money for land purchase. One of these applications was submitted under the old enterprise system but no funds were ever received and it was questioned whether an entire new application would be necessary or whether the previous application could still be in effect. It was agreed to get a new application typed up and together and that it would be reviewed again by the council. (The chairman asked the Vice-Chairman to preside as he had to leave for another meeting.)

(12)

INTER-TRIBAL PLANNING GRANT - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that he would like to see the planning grant in operation the way it should be and that we have been waiting for Fort Thompson but that the Planning Director and his secretary

have been without money for a long time. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to put in the balance of our in kind contribution and to make one payroll with this money. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(13)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to approve Mr. John Larson's invoice for the month. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(14)

EDUCATIONAL GRANT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to approve the educational grant application for Cheryl Estes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(15)

INVESTMENT OF TRIBAL TREASURY FUNDS - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution to reinvest a portion of Tribal Treasury funds in a certificate of deposit and to transfer some funds to the tribal treasury account upon expiration of the present certificate of deposit. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(16)

REQUEST FOR APPRAISAL A letter was read from Helene Felecia asking to sell her land. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request an appraisal on this. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with four for and none against.

(17)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(18)

ENROLLMENT - An enrollment application and birth certificate were received for Mona Rae Whitney, daughter of Lyle and Judy Driving Hawk Whitney. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve this enrollment. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

(19)

T.W.E.T.P. CONTRACT.- Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to request renewal of the Tribal Work Experience Training Program for the coming year. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against.

(20)

REQUEST FOR LEASE - Mr. Orville Langdeau requested to lease some land lying south of the park and west of the highway, which land is not in Vera's unit, consisting of about 20 acres. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to lease this land to him on a five-year lease. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and none against.

(21)

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE - A letter dated June 18th from the Assistant Area Director was read replying to the Tribe's request for reimbursement for freight charges on shipment of commodities. A letter from Attorney Larson dated

June 11th was read advising the Tribe that they would need to hire an attorney in California to collect the settlement money which was placed in escrow. A letter from the Public Health Service was read stating that out-patient care would be only through the Public Health Service doctor unless the Indian beneficiary chooses to pay for the visit himself, and that this will be necessary until contract care funds are available in July. A letter dated June 24th from the General Services Administration was read informing the council of a meeting to be held in Minnesota concerning government procurement and it was agreed to send a copy of this letter to Raven Industries.

(22)

SMALL BUSINESS LOAN - Mr. Orville Langdeau said that Mr. Abe Langdeau was trying to obtain a MESBIC loan through the Small Business Administration to set up a small manufacturing or machine shop and Orville suggested that the Tribe help or encourage his efforts towards obtaining the loan.

(23)

FUNERAL EXPENSES - Mrs. Grace Estes said that in approving the tribal budget, we agreed to budget additional funds under emergency assistance so that the amount for funeral expenses could be raised, and she made a motion to that effect, to give all tribal enrolled members an increased amount of \$150 for burial expenses. Mrs. Estes' motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against.

(24)

DENTAL EQUIPMENT - A letter from the Christian Dental Society was read concerning the possibility of obtaining donated equipment for establishing a dental care unit. It was suggested that this be tabled and discussed with the new doctor when he arrives.

(25)

UNITED SIOUX TRIBES MEETING - The various nominees for the position of B.I.A. Area Director were mentioned. It was reported that all those interested in this job were requested to be at the next United Sioux Tribes meeting to present their qualifications. The meeting will be the 17th of July at Spearfish.

(26)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes, and carried with four for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on July 1, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JULY 6, 1970

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on the afternoon of July 6, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman at 1:30 p.m., with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mrs. Grace Estes

Absent

Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Others Present:

Mr. Keith Titus, Architect
Mr. Norm Armstrong, Engineer
Mr. James Swenson, Planning Consultant
Mr. Fritz Jost, West Central Electric
Mr. Homer Anshutz, West Central Engineer
Mr. George Foshum
Mr. Allen Hall, State Electrical Inspector

The meeting was an informal meeting called for the purpose of discussing the type of heating for the neighborhood center. It was called pursuant to a previous telephone call from West Central Electric stating they were just advised that electrical heat was being planned for this building, and in looking over the plans, there were certain items which would have to be changed in order to conform with the state electrical code, that the cost of heating a cement block building of this type would be excessive, and further that some of the transformers and special equipment needed in this building would not be available and would have to be ordered and they could not guarantee delivery until sometime after January.

Mr. Titus and Mr. Armstrong explained that in making their cost analysis, they had contacted the power supplier from Chamberlain who they thought served this area. They were not informed otherwise, and were given the 12 mill rate which they used in their planning, when actually West Central's rate is 17 mills which is considerably higher.


There was a lot of technical discussion about the amperage and requirements of the State Code. The service entrance was discussed and Mr. Swenson said that it would be cheaper for the building to be connected to a mast with the electric company furnishing the transformer rather than a service entrance such as is designed into this building.

West Central Electric contended that they have had experience in heating cement block buildings with electric heat and that their experience has been all bad, and that they just didn't want to install something and then have to take it out in a few years because it is too expensive to operate.

Mr. Titus and Mr. Armstrong contended that they have used 12" zonalite insulation filled blocks which will approach the same as the 2" foam fill insulation planned in the original building and that the heat loss factor would not be that great. He said that the initial installation cost of gas, propane, or fuel is much greater and that the cost of these types of fuels is steadily rising as the demand for them is becoming greater and the supply is running critically short. He said that they anticipate that in a few years the cost of electric power will approach the cost of other fuels and be almost equal, and that the temporary saving for the first few years operation by fuel will not hardly defray the initial installation cost. He said further that insurance rates and risk with other types of fuel should be considered and that in a large building of this type which may remain unoccupied for several days at a time was a danger that should be considered.

It was mentioned that Fort Thompson Tribal Office, which is also a cement block building, has switched from fuel to electric heat and other buildings heated with electricity were mentioned.

At the close of the meeting, Mr. Armstrong asked for a week's time to prepare a more detailed cost analysis and study using the prevailing electric rates and another meeting was tentatively set for the following Monday.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
JULY 27, 1970

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on July 27th, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew Estes at about 1:15 p.m., with those present as follows:

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thomson, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Orville Langdeau

Mr. Woodrin Key, Chicago, Dept. of H.U.D.
Mr. Al Weir " "
(two girls from Chicago)
Mr. Jim Swenson, Planning Consultant
Mr. North, West Central Electric
Mr. Fritz Jost, West Central Electric
Mr. Homer Anshutz, West Central Engineer
Mr. George Foshum, West Central

Mr. Carl Smith, B.I.A.
Mr. Keith Titus (arrived at 2:00), Architect
Mr. Clarence Harrison, Rapid Plumbing Co.

The chairman stated that the main discussion today would be the Neighborhood Center Building and he stated he had received a letter from Mr. Titus that in order to get that insulation, the cost would be \$24,000 more.

Mr. Key said that H.U.D. is under contract with us for \$175,000 and we have an amendatory application for another \$44,000. They were going to approve that amendatory and we do not have to worry about it, but before they can continue on the review, they must get some further cost estimates from Mr. Titus. He said that their purpose in coming down was to see if we are having problems and if they can be of assistance, and also to take a look at the construction.

The chairman said he would like to hear from West Central Electric in regard to the heating. Mr. North said that the construction wouldn't amount to much more than a wind break and there would be terrific heat loss and the building probably would frost.

Mr. Key said he would like to make sure he understood. The way the plans and specifications are drawn, the building is not adequately insulated for electric heat. Mr. North said that is correct.

Mr. Anshutz said he had tried to calculate the cost of heating and figured the heating cost for one year would be about \$5,000. He said he also figured out that with the walls furred out and insulated, the cost would be about \$4,182. And a final figure, with the walls furred out and insulated and 6" poured insulation in the ceiling, it would come to about \$2,902 for a yearly heating cost.

Mr. Key asked if the amendatory budget would provide enough money to include any of this insulation. Mr. Swenson said no, that was not included in the amendatory. Mr. Key said that we have an amended application in that isn't completed yet, and with a \$3,000 a year difference in heating with complete insulation, he would rather see the present application withdrawn and submit a complet new application to include the cost of insulation. Because there will be a tremendous, continuing heating expense for the tribe. The tribe would have to come up with the additional local share required. Mr. Key said what he is telling us is that if there isn't enough money in the additional \$44,000 amendatory, to ask for some more and they will aprove it.

The chairman indicated that he didn't think the electric heat would hurt if the building was insulated properly. Mr. North agreed, because there would be a heat loss with any type of heat.

Mr. Key said that their only objective is to see that the tribe get a usable building, and they feel strongly enough about this that they would be willing to pick up three-fourths of the tab for the mistake that was made. Mr. Key said that we have got to rapidly decide, find out if we must revise the amendatory, and if so, get a revised amendatory in because there are things happening in Chicago, moving offices, which may cause a time delay in getting it through.

Mr. North said there is something which he would like to bring up. West Central will have to order some special equipment, and they would like to have a contract drawn up for the electric service for a period of five years, to be automatically renewable, because they are going to invest about \$10,000 in specialized equipment for this job, and he would need some kind of a contract as he also has to answer to a Board. He said that there seems to be a time lag between ordering the equipment and receiving the merchandise, so we should get this decided as soon as possible.

Mr. Titus and Mr. Harrison arrived. Mr. Woody Key briefly advised them of what has been discussed and he asked Mr. Titus if the cost of insulation was included in the amendatory which was filed. Mr. Titus said that they had 1½" of styrofoam glued to the walls with the concrete construction plan, but they had to change over to block construction, so they deleted this and went into a zonalite fill insulation with 12" haydite blocks and that they now have the same "U" factor as with styrofoam, or very close. He said the U factor in the wall now is .17 and the other with styrofoam was .1698.

Mr. North said that styrofoam was recognized as good insulation and he suggested that Mr. Titus get together with Mr. Foshum on this and get together on their figures. Mr. Titus said that he wanted to get this settled right now because this delay is impossible to live with.

Mr. Key said that he was neither an architect nor an engineer but they wouldn't want a building to be built that isn't suitable. This is a local problem which we will have to work out. All they can say is, find out exactly what it will cost to do the work so that the building is adeouate. If there isn't enough money with the amendatory on file, they will accept another amendatory, but we must make up our minds fast, together, and come to some resolution on what we want to do. He said they will continue to pay under the present contract while the amendment is being processed.

Mr. Harrison said they plan on turning in a cost estimate today and asked how soon money would be available. Mr. Key said it takes them from five to seven days from the time they get this to get the check in the mail back to the tribe, so it takes about 10 days.

(The meeting recessed and Mr. Titus got together with Mr. Foshum and reviewed their charts .)

The meeting was called back to order and Mr. Titus and Mr. Foshum said that the discrepancy in their figures was the result of using different scales and they now had come up with the figures of .7 and .677, which are very close.

Mr. Titus said on the ceiling they would put on another 1½" of polyfoam which would bring this up to 16½ which is well over the minimum. Mr. Foshum explained that on the walls what they recommend for electric heat is a minimum of R 11, so the walls are pretty tough yet, as they have 6.67 compared with the recommended 11.

The walls in the office space were discussed and it was mentioned that according to our original discussions, we understood they were supposed to have been a dry-wall construction with sheet rock in the offices. Mr. Titus said that he did remember something like this and that he would check this out.

In regard to the walls in the gymnasium, Mr. Titus said it would involve a lot of expense if they put dry wall in the gymnasium. He told of a gymnasium in Valentine where they have blown insulation on the walls but they have a tremendous maintenance problem as this is knocked off by the basketballs and they must repair it each year. Mr. Titus said that the maintenance factor here may be greater than what would be saved by the heat loss.

Mr. North said that their only purpose in being here was to make us aware that there is a possibility of the walls frosting and that what we decide to do is entirely a local decision.

It was agreed at the conclusion of the meeting, that Mr. Foshum would prepare a revised cost estimate for heating with the additional insulation on the ceiling, and also with both wall and ceiling insulation.

Rapid Plumbing said they could give us cost estimates easily if they know exactly how much we want.

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 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 5, 1970

A regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on August 5, 1970, and was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Orville Langdeau (arrv later)
Mrs. Grace Estes (present in afternoon)

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mr. Clarence Thompson.

(1)

BURIAL INSURANCE - The chairman called on Mrs. Eva Nichols who introduced Mr. Orville Delker from the Midland National Life Insurance Company, from Rapid City. The chairman informed Mr. Delker that the Tribe had been wondering if there were any type of insurance that would be available to provide money for burial expenses for tribal members. Mr. Delker explained the group life insurance policy, that he would have no trouble in getting such a policy for those ages 0 to 85, with no physical examination. He asked how many people we had in mind to insure and the Chairman said that there are about 1,000 tribal members and that there are usually about 15 deaths a year, and asked how much insurance would cost. Mr. Delker said that the premium is according to age and that for someone 35 years old, it would cost \$53.35 per year for every \$1,000 of insurance, so that roughly, for \$2500 of insurance, it would cost \$135 per year, and for a man 50 years old, it would be \$77.75 per thousand dollars of insurance. He also explained the equity and cash value of the policy and dividends. The council discussed this but for all the members, the policy would cost about \$135,000 per year. The Chairman asked if there were any way to insure about 25 members without giving the names, but Mr. Delker said no, that for any type of group policy, you must have a list of the names of those insured. The chairman said that we would have to table this for now as it would cost too much money.

(2)

SLAUGHTER PLANT - Mr. Carl Smith said he would like to review this program for a slaughter plant. He said they had visited with some people from France who are interested in purchasing horse meat for human consumption and the proposal was for a plant to kill horses. The plant would use about 20,000 gallons of water a day and would kill about 300 head a day, and would employ about 100 people. There will be a man out to make a preliminary feasibility study and this would be free of charge, but before the state department will go along with this study, they want a resolution from the tribe requesting the study. The council asked how this

plant would be financed, and Mr. Smith said that he didn't know but E.D.A. is not interested, but they may start a feasibility study. The council indicated they would be more interested in a cattle slaughtering operation rather than a horse kill operation and mentioned also that a contract with a foreign company would not be too binding.

(3)

COUNCILLOR CREEK DEVELOPMENT - Mr. Carl Smith said that he heard the council wanted the Councillor Creek study held up, and that there was someone interested in developing it but they first wanted a feasibility study. The council indicated that two studies have already been made, and Mr. Swenson mentioned that there are some basic facts which need to be known before a feasibility study will do any good, and that you need to know who is going to run it, whether it will be a joint venture or a tribal venture, and what is planned. Mr. Carl Smith said there is a man interested in it and he would have him come down if we like. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion for Mr. Carl Smith to contact this individual and get him down here to talk with us. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for and none against, and one, Mr. Orville Langdeau not voting.

(4)

EDUCATION CONTRACT, COTTAGE PROJECT - Mr. James Vance said that he would like to bring the council up to date on the cottage project which is to be operated at the Pierre school. He said that the original plan was to purchase one mobile home and that the tribe would take the other one on a mortgage; however, he has since found out that there probably will not be funds to pay for the second home so they have decided not to purchase it at this time. They will continue with the project and Lutheran Social Services will continue to participate, either right now or in a year, and the Bureau will have the option to either buy a mobile home or renovate an existing building, whatever they decide to do, to provide homelike living for the primary grade children.

(5)

GRAND OPENING - IRON NATION CORP. - Mr. Kittelson reviewed with the council the proposed schedule for the grand opening of the Iron Nation Corp. to be held this Saturday, August 8th, and the reception which would follow for the Governor and Washington officials, and he invited all the council members to attend and that he hoped the workers and people from the community would be there.

(6)

DEVELOPMENT FUNDS - Mr. Clarence Skye informed the council of a new program from the Justice Department whereby grant funds will be made available to development corporations on reservations and that if the Lower Brule development corporation wanted to apply for this, they have the forms. Mr. Skye gave the council a copy of a letter that was taken to Washington and said that an allocation of \$28,000 was made to the tribal development fund for both reservations, which is to be used for tribal development.

(7)

REQUEST FOR NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES PROGRAM - Mr. Orville Langdeau inquired if anything has been done to provide funding for a staff for the neighborhood facilities building and that in the beginning when we were talking about these centers, we were told that a director and staff could be hired through O.E.O. to keep it open. Mr. Skye said there is a program written up for neighborhood services but he hasn't heard yet whether it is approved.

(8)

REQUEST FOR HAY LAND - Mr. Jerauld Jandreau said he was interested in cutting some hay along the river and he saw the Corps of Engineers and they referred him to the council. The chairman said that he was having some of it baled for the tribal stock. The chairman asked if anyone was cutting up west along the highway and said that the road department informed him that the BIA controls all that and if any Indian wants to cut it they can.

(The meeting recessed for dinner and for council members to attend the funeral and reconvened at 3:15 p.m.)

(9)

LAND PURCHASES - Mr. Joe Brewer stated that they have the request for land sale on the Walking Woman Estate, 260 acres, to which the Grassropes are the heirs, and it would sell for \$14,000. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to buy this land. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. The other is the Martha Grassrope estate, 160 acres for \$6400. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to buy this land. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(10)

LAND CONSOLIDATION AREA - The land consolidation area was discussed and Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to abolish the present land consolidation area and to consolidate the entire reservation. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(11)

SUBMARGINAL LAND - The council discussed a meeting held in July with Mr. Gross from the National Council on Indian Opportunity and plans for a meeting to be held in Minneapolis, at which the various tribes will unit in an effort to obtain title to submarginal lands. A letter was also read requesting that the CAP Director be allowed to attend this meeting.

(12)

WASHINGTON MEETING - Mr. Skye said that when they were in Washington they were able to find out that there would be no problem in getting a Public Health Service unit on the reservation with a full time doctor if a building was available. Also when they were in Washington they were told there was to be \$150,000 for roads for new construction and \$50,000 for maintenance. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that this figure on roads is the same as what they presented us with, a total of \$200,000 for both reservations. Mr. Skye said that also, \$28,000 was promised for both tribes for tribal development funds.

(13)

DENTAL CARE UNIT - Mr. Roy LaBelle said that they have been working with Public Health since March to get a dental unit but the problem was getting \$25,000 worth of equipment. They can get a dentist and funds for consumable supplies. They have been working with Luthern Social Services in Sioux Falls and can get two complete operatories if the tribes would absorb the cost of freight for getting these out here. He said that a doctor from Aberdeen will go down and look at the equipment that is available. He said the only building they have been able to come up with would be the basement of the clinic at Fort Thompson. Mrs. Grace Estes asked about using space in our clinic here. It was decided to table this until the doctor has an opportunity to see the equipment and report back to the council as to whether or not it is suitable.

(14)

OPPOSE ACTIONS OF GROUP OF INDIANS AT AUGUSTANA - The chairman stated that Mr. Webster Two Hawk, Chairman of the United Sioux Tribes, would like a statement from each of the tribes so that the United Sioux Tribes could go on record concerning the actions of a group of Indians who took over a dormitory at Augustana College. It was reported that this group of young militant Indian people are not Sioux Indians, that they came from Minneapolis, Chicago, and Albuquerque, and they are the same bunch who tried to take over the BIA in Minneapolis. They have no purpose as far as is known except they want money from the Luthern Social Services, and that if they were given this money, it probably would not benefit the Indian people. It was also mentioned that Mr. Brightman is trying to stay in the background, but he is still connected with this group. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution that the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe go on record as opposing the actions taken by the group of Indians at Augustana, and that the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe does not intend to become involved in supporting this group or any militant group in the future. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for, none against, one, Kay Gourneau, absent.

(15)

OMNI EQUIPMENT - Mr. LaBelle stated that in regard to our request, he has inquired around to see if anyone would be interested in buying the equipment left by the Omni Corp., and that KELO offered \$500 for the one oscilloscope, and that is all he has been able to secure any interested buyers, and that this was probably a fair price for this.

(16)

APPLICATION FOR LOAN OF REVOLVING CREDIT FUNDS - The application for loan of revolving credit funds to be used for land purchase was reviewed by the council, together with the Enterprise land purchase plan of operation. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to submit this application for a loan and to adopt the necessary resolutions to accompany this application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(17)

PROPOSAL FOR STEPHAN SCHOOL - A tentative proposal reached at a meeting held at the Stephan School was read, which proposal would provide that the Stephan High School will be operated by an Inter-tribal school board selected by the inter-tribal council with funds to be provided by the Bureau through a contract with

the tribes. The agreement provides that students from Crow Creek and Lower Brule would have the option of going to Stephan, or the district where they reside. The chairman stated it would be up to the council whether this should be an inter-tribal thing, or whether to let Fort Thompson enter into this contract themselves. Mrs. Gourneau said that Reliance was planning on the kids from Fort coming to Reliance, but it appears that this can't be done. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that if the Fort Thompson kids chose to come to Reliance, he thought tuition would have to be provided for them, and that we have all along been trying to get Fort Thompson to commit themselves to come in with us to get a school on this end of Lyman County, but they have been dragging their feet, and since most of our kids are going to Reliance, maybe Crow Creek should enter into this Buy-Indian contract themselves. Mrs. Grace Estes indicated she did not like the way we were drawn into this Stephan proposal without first consulting with us. Mrs. Gourneau stated that this has to be an inter-tribal thing or the Bureau will not go along with it and that this is just for this year until something else can be worked out.

(18)

HOME REPAIR PROGRAM - Mr. Abe Langdeau reported on the progress of the home repair at Lower Brule. He reported that they are working at as rapid a pace as possible, that he has been informed by the CAP director that there will be funds for wages until about the first week in September, and that this won't give the manpower to complete all the projects. He said that they have cut the cost of the buildings and bathrooms considerably and that funds might be left in H.I.P. for contract work after these houses are built. Mr. Clarence Thompson mentioned that Mrs. Ziegler's house needs finishing and that Mr. Silas Black Dog wanted to work.

(19)

KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM - Mr. Edzards reported that they have been excavating for the kindergarten school and they hope to be done by October. He said also that they will be moving the old yellow trailer out and putting quarters in there.

(20)

INDIAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANT - Mr. Edzards said that there will be a new program coming up which will be for the purpose of assisting Indian people who want to establish a business. The program will give the person a forty percent grant, which is to be used to provide the person with the necessary equity so that he will be able to obtain bank financing for the balance needed. It was mentioned that this would be a good opportunity for someone who wanted to establish a laundromat in lower Brule as this is badly needed. The Superintendent said that when this does come through there will be only about two months in which to get it used, so we should be expecting this and get applications ready.

(21)

ROADS - Mr. Edzards said that he might mention the road situation. They will get \$150,000 for roads but there is one project already started which will take \$139,000 which they have cut back to \$100,000 and that is the project at Fort Thompson. It will take \$30,000 here in the townsite and that is all they will have funds for on both reservations.

(22)

SUPERINTENDENT'S TRANSFER - Mr. Edward Edzards said that there is a good chance that he may be transferred, and since this may be the last council meeting he will be attending, he didn't want to leave without saying good-bye and that he has enjoyed being here the past eight years and working with the council.

(23)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's monthly invoice. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Gourneau absent.

(24)

DECLARE COUNCIL ELECTION FOR THIS FALL - Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to call for an election in accordance with the constitution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with six for and none against. A special council meeting was set for August 19th, Wednesday, at 1:00 p.m. to go over the voting lists.

(25)

ENROLLMENT - A request for enrollment and birth certificate were received for Tammy Lynn LaRoche, daughter of Loretta and Sylvester LaRoche, Jr.. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to enroll this child. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(26)

SELECT O.E.O. PERSONNEL SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS - The chairman stated that we need to select two new members to serve on the O.E.O. personnel selection committee as this committee is supposed to change every two years. It was mentioned that any person on this committee cannot be related by blood or marriage to anyone to be hired. After some discussion, Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to select Miss Bonnie Buffalo and Mrs. Lois Holland and to contact them and see if they will serve on this committee. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(27)

REQUEST TO CUT HAY ON CORPS LAND - Mr. Jersuld Jandreau requested permission to cut some hay on the strip of Corps land from the old Brule road to the first bunch of trees on that curve. The chairman gave him permission to do this and said that soon we need to sit down and pinpoint all the available land and divide it up.

(28)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS APPROVED - The many educational grant applications for enrolled members planning to attend high school and college this fall were reviewed by the council. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve all of the educational grant applications. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for, none against, one absent.

(29)

APPROVE BUY-INDIAN ACT CONTRACT - The council reviewed a proposed contract between the State Department of Public Instruction and the Lower Brule Tribe whereby the Tribe would administer Johnson O'Malley funds to be used for a teacher-aide training workshop to be held at the Pierre School. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve this contract. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for, none against and one absent.

(30)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the council meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for, one absent.

(31)

CHANGE RESERVATION VOTING DISTRICTS - Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to change the boundaries of the reservation districts and to make the entire reservation into one district with the same number of representatives, all to be elected by vote of all the people, in order to give the people more representation on the council, with the off reservation member to remain the same. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes. It was questioned whether this would require an amendment to the constitution and Article 1, Section 2 of the constitution was read wherein authority is given to the council to change district boundaries subject to approval of the Secretary of the Interior. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried with five for and two opposed. Those voting in favor of this change were Mr. Orville Langdeau, Mrs. Grace Estes, Mr. J. W. Thompson, Mr. Clarence Thompson, and Mr. Andrew Estes. Those opposed were Mrs. Kay Gourneau and Mr. Charles Langdeau.

(32)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on August 5, 1970.


Joarf Mousseau, Recording Secretary

Notes from telephone call to the Chairman, Mr. Andrew
Estes, from Mr. Schmidt in Aberdeen on August 5, 1970

Mr. Schmidt said that he wanted to review the notes of the meeting held at Stephan with both tribes, and that he was sending a wire to the Commissioner. He has it prepared and read it to Mr. Pattee and he thinks it is ok, but Mr. Schmidt wanted to check with us. The agreement consisted of ten points, as follows:

Those of us in attendance yesterday reached tentative agreement on the following:

- 1) The Stephan High School will be operated by an inter-tribal school board selected by the inter-tribal council, under a Buy-Indian Act contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- 2) The name will be changed from the Immaculate Conception School to Stephan.
- 3) The school will maintain the necessary standards to maintain South Dakota accreditation.
- 4) The tribes will operate the school program only. Stephan Mission will continue to operate the dormitories.
- 5) Enrollment at this time can only be estimated between 150 and 200 students. It appears that about fifty percent of this enrollment will be from other reservations.
- 6) The Tribes will allow those Indian students from other reservations to continue at Stephan High School, but Stephan will make no new commitments to students from other reservations.
- 7) The Crow Creek and Lower Brule students will have the option of going to Stephan or the district where they reside. (By this he meant that Lower Brule could go to Reliance and Crow Creek could go to Chamberlain. Mr. Estes asked if the Fort Thompson kids could go to Reliance. Mr. Schmidt replied that this would be a state matter, that the tuition would have to come from the Chamberlain District because that is where they are assigned. The Chairman said he was informed the state could not assign Indian students as they have no jurisdiction and that he thought they could attend wherever they wanted to.)
- 8) The Stephan Mission will make the high school and gymnasium facilities available to the tribal board at no cost to the Tribes except for maintenance.
- 9) The school board will honor commitments made to the staff currently under contract to the Stephan Mission.
- 10) The Budget (Total \$159,678):

Principal	\$8,000.00
12 full time teachers	75,775.00
1 half-time teacher	3,100.00
2 bus drivers @ \$3,500	7,000.00
1 janitor for 40 weeks @ \$100 per week	4,000.00
Total salaries	97,875.00
Fringe benefits, 10%	9,787
Total personnel services	107,662.00

Bus rental, 2 buses at \$2,000 each	\$4,000.00
Fuel for school building and gymnasium	4,500.00
Electricity	5,000.00
Maintenance, labor and materials	2,000.00
Janitorial supplies	2,000.00
Telephone	500.00
Food, 150 students @ 50¢, 180 days	13,500.00
School supplies and textbooks	6,000.00
Total school program	<u>145,162.00</u>
10% administrative costs	<u>14,516.00</u>
Total cost	\$ 159,678

(may be off \$12)

Mr. Schmidt said we are saying that this is tentative and if this needs to be adjusted, noone has to live with it. It may be adjusted upwards. The Commissioner wanted to know what kind of agreement we reached. Again, we are in agreement so far.

The chairman said that he would have to ask the council.

Mr. Schmidt said again this is not permanent, but will confirm what we talked about yesterday. This is what they talked about, and these are tentative agreements reached at a meeting held at Stephan on August 4, 1970, and is subject to review as necessary.

Mr. Schmidt said that this is an interim thing and the Commissioner will urge us to go ahead and try and get something permanently, hoping that they can do something to take care of our immediate problem.

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 12, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on August 12, 1970, and was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	
Mr. Clarence Thompson	Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes	
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	
Mr. Charles Langdeau	
Mr. J. W. Thompson	

Others Present

Mr. Carl Smith
Mr. Ron Smalley
Mr. Ted Holtgrewe
Mr. James Vance

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by Mrs. Grace Estes.

(1)

PIERRE SCHOOL COTTAGE PROJECT - Mr. James Vance informed the council that they are a little concerned over the cottage project, that they discussed with the council the possibility of proceeding with the use of a house on campus rather than to purchase a trailer. He said they have reviewed the applications of those who applied for house parents. There were three applicants who applied, one was a non-Indian couple and two were Indian couples, but because of their history, it was questionable whether they could do the job intended to be done. Mr. Vance said that they have reviewed the enrollment figures for the coming year, and to the best information available at this time, there is only one first grader, and five second graders - four of whom have been at the Pierre School last year, so the question arises whether the effort and expense involved would be justified considering the small number of children who would benefit through this program. Mr. Vance said that the money made available from the Luthern Social Services will still be available at any time, and will be of benefit no matter what they decide to do with it; however, he asked whether they should hurry and try to get this program off the ground before school starts, or take a longer look at it. Mrs. Grace Estes entertained a motion that we postpone this program until we can really get into it, get the proper house parents in there, and until the enrollment stabilizes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with four for, two absent. (Kay and Orville absent).

SLAUGHTER PLANT - Mr. Carl Smith introduced Mr. Holtgrewe with the South Dakota Marketing Association and Mr. Ron Smalley from the Dept. of Agriculture, with whom they had previously discussed the feasibility of a horse kill plant. Mr. Holtgrewe said that he heard the council decided not to get into this horse processing plant, but since their travel plans were already made and it was too late to change, they decided to come anyway and they did meet with Mr. Bob Martin at I.D.E.A. and Mr. Vern Ashley, and he introduced Mr. Ron Smalley. Mr. Smalley said he was with the transportation research division and they have three branches - marketing facilities branch, facilities research, and transportation research. He said they work with meats, poultry, dairy products, fresh fruits and vegetables, frozen foods, etc. He said when you think of a beef kill and chill plant, there is a very low profit margin, one percent or less of your gross sales, so that it involves a large volume and if you don't have a large volume, you might as well forget about it. We have come to the conclusion that unless you have the capability of slaughtering 50 head an hour, you will not be big enough to produce carcass beef at an operating level. It is disappointing about the horse kill operation, but it really wouldn't have been too practical when you were talking about 75 head per week. Even with hogs you need to get about 300 head an hour. I don't know enough about your resources, but as far as cattle goes, generally you have got to have large inventories. Of every 100 head, you can only kill 30 to 32 of these animals. So you can imagine, if you kill 60 head an hour and you figure 7.2 hours per day, so that $7.2 \times 60 \times 252$ days a year (figured on a 5 day week with 8 holidays) so you come up with a total for the year. This would have to represent only one-fourth of your beef resources, without even talking about the competitive aspects of it. . . . Unless you have the cattle, you might as well forget about it. He said there are plants in the United States processing 250 head an hour. Mr. Carl Smith said that if they could get the number of cattle sold through all the sale barns, could you come up with a feasibility study and maybe work out something to see if a slaughter plant would be possible. Mr. Smalley said that most of the livestock is sold direct. He said that if the S.R.S. reports data by counties, we could get an idea, but this is not talking about competition. This country is more of a feeder area. So when you talk about slaughtering, you are talking about cull cows. You have got to consider your competition, which would mean locating plants that are operating and subtracting that away from your supply, and if there is enough left over, then you are in business. He said that you must operate at capacity to operate profitably. If you can handle 60 head an hour, but you slaughter only 20 head, then you take a loss on every head that goes through. He said also that you don't want to go more than 150 miles in either direction for your animals, and we are saying you shouldn't go more than 100 miles in either direction. He said that you shouldn't go more than 50 miles for your primary procurement, and you should have sixty percent coming from this immediate area, because the farther you have to ship, the higher your costs, and the less competitive you can be. Mr. Smalley said that he would suspect from his short stay, that possibly this poultry or cat fish farming would offer more potential than a cull cattle operation. He said the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries have brochures on cat fish farming, and he gave the address to write, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wild Life, Branch of Wildlife Refuges, Dept. of the Interior, between 18 & 19th Streets N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240; and Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Dept. of the Interior, Washington, D. C. 20240. He discussed cat fish farming but said after he found out that the river freezes over that we might as well forget about this too.

(3)

STEPHAN HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSAL - The chairman stated he had just received a call from Bernice Crow and she wants to know if we can have an inter-tribal council meeting at Stephan and they want to sign the B.I.A. contract for the school. The chairman said he would ask the council and get their feelings, and said this time if anyone goes, we all should go.

(4)

MEETING ON SUBMARGINAL LAND - The chairman said that there would be a meeting in Minneapolis this weekend, the 15th and 16th, on this submarginal land, and he asked the council members if any of them could attend this meeting. Other correspondence concerning other coming meetings were also read.

(5)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - The chairman said that because of the problems encountered on the neighborhood center concerning electric heat and inadequate insulation, insulation has been added to the ceiling at an additional cost of \$15,000 and that Mr. Key had advised the council that H.U.D. would participate in any additional costs.

(6)

ENROLLMENT - A request for enrollment and birth certificate were received for Tanya Michelle Grassel, daughter of Michael John Grassel and Wanda Agnes Thompson Grassel. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to enroll this child, which motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(7)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau, and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on August 12, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
August 18, 1970

In the absence of a quorum, an informal meeting was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on the afternoon of August 18th, and was called to order by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Clarence Thompson, with those present as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Clarence Thompson	Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mr. J. W. Thompson	Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes	Mr. Orville Langdeau
	Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Others Present
Mr. Carl Smith
Mr. Jim Swenson
Mr. Vernon Peterson, Director, Great Prairie Lakes Development Corp.

The Vice-Chairman called the meeting to order and turned the floor over to Mr. Peterson.

Mr. Peterson: I will start this way so that you will understand my interest. I am in the hotel business in Bismarck and have been interested in promoting tourism and recreation in the Bismarck area. I am an avid outdoorsman and have hunted and fished in various places. I originally got a call from Mr. Young in North Dakota and he knows I am interested in recreational development and he wanted me to become involved in the Fort Berthold and Standing Rock complex on their motels that they are operating through E.D.A. funds and I told him I didn't approve and am not too enthusiastic about the motel business, but I would propose an all-purpose, family recreation area that would make better sense dollar wise. Although I am getting involved in motels anyway because of my experience in hotels and I have offered to train Indian people in the operation and management of a hotel. That is how I got interested in it and we had a United Sioux Tribes meeting and I met with some people from Crow Creek. The meeting was in February and no Lower Brule people were present. I explained to the Crow Creek people my enthusiasm, and in the management of their motel over there but I was not too keen to get into this, but thought with my experience and background, I would have an idea of what would potentially work.

The thing I was concerned with, and I will be out of the hotel business because of urban renewal, but I thought there should be something different and unusual which would draw people off the highway. I examined some and this is in International Falls, a chalet. (he showed a picture) I have a profit and loss statement and it shows a good profit in the summer time and is booked up from June through October and November. He has a good thing going, but International Falls is flat.

(Mr. Peterson continued:) I thought of having these house boats insulated and using them as skii houses in the winter time. The cost of artificial snow almost makes it preventive to run a skii area by itself. But if you add a lodge, and the snow making equipment could be used for irrigation for a golf course in the summer, because you use 4" aluminum pipe for making snow. Actually, when you make snow, you are just irrigating with 20 degree above zero temperature. We had a ski lodge that went bankrupt and the reason was that we didn't have any liquor. You do make money off your chalet facilities, fire place, etc. I think a chalet is necessary and could be used with the facilities in the summer time. I proposed a rustic situation similar to the one up here, similar to International Falls, maybe ten delux rooms with a rough exterior with beautiful rooms inside. Even in Pierre they could come down. There would be a golf course, trail rides; I found some very interesting coolies with nice timber which would be good for trail rides and ski rungs right here. With a good beach area you may have to chissel off some of this ground (around edge of Counselor Creek Bay) and have a good piling system so that they could walk from the house boats with a minimum of trouble and go into the chalet and enjoy either winter or summer time activities. The things you could offer these people would be boating or camping trips toward Pierre.

If you had fifteen house boats, you could employ thirty people because many people are afraid of taking them out. You would have to have fifteen guides and maybe fifteen cooks for shore lunches and they do operate in Canada. You could even teach in your schools the techniques of outdoor camping and outdoor cooking. The employment would be tremendous. The model out here is not so unreal. Actually, artificial snow is a better base for skiing than real snow.

You can expand into so many things. I was talking to Jiggs and the fact that you have a few antelope, you could have people from the twin cities knocking themselves out to get where they could hunt antelope. You could also plant grouse. There would have to be a planting system so that you could keep up the game, but they would be thrilled to come out and participate in a game area.

Each one of the house boats would be an \$8,000 investment. Along with the house boat, you would need about a 14' run about with a ten horse motor so they could use this for fishing and covering the lake. The guide would have to run the house boat and anchor it at a safe harbor and then run about in the run about. \$1500 would be the approximate cost of the 14 ft boat. I haven't worked up the cost because this is just a preliminary.

The chalet should be about 80' x 40', two stories with a basement, so there would be about 3200 square feet per floor. The second floor would be for the ten sleeping units, so that you could possibly take care of twenty people in your chalet area. The cost would be about \$180,000 if you want a complete kitchen, good lounge and meeting room and all the appurtenances, good fire place, etc. An indoor swimming pool would be a necessity so that you could offer skiing plus the heated pool.

There would be costs associated with the marina. I think the total over all cost, and I don't have this in detail because this is a preliminary idea. I am sure you would realize you would need a feasibility study. It would be roughly in the neighborhood of \$600,000. The landscaping, golf course; the road would be a problem because you should have access in from the south.

In regard to funding for a project like this, I am familiar with the funding in North Dakota and they give a grant. He said it would be tribally owned. The grant would have to be matched with 20% tribal funds, or in-kind.

Mr. J. W. Thompson: A lot of this area what you would be using is Corps land. Maybe part of that ski run would be put on tribal land, but all that along there is Corps land.

Mr. Peterson said that he has a letter from the Corp saying that if it is economically feasible, the Counselor Creek Area has been designated as a concession area, to permit development. The letter was signed by Ehrenfelt.

Mr. Peterson: This summer for a test, we have a four-winds tour group staying at the hotel and I suggested taking them on a pontoon run and take them down south of Bismarck and set up a brunch. As of last week I have taken 100 people on a tour of the river by Bismarck and I am amazed at the potential and how hungry they are to get out on the Missouri and reservoir areas. I think a development like this in South Dakota would be great. They are building these motels up there, which is fine if there is nothing else to offer. I think the interesting part of this is these houseboats, which would be about \$120,000 investment on the part of the government, would be useable in other areas and other situations. For example, if you start out with 15 and you would come to liquidating, which you wouldn't want to think about, but maybe you could sell them to somebody in California. At least the assets are portable.

I have been in the hotel business and I would like to move that hotel, but the urban renewal is going to take it. I show a chair lift here, but think a rope tow will be all that would be necessary, and this could be put in for \$4,000. What we are doing here is utilizing the land and the people. I think the chalet could utilize eight people so we are looking at something of interest to everybody. I don't think you would have any trouble interesting your people in acting as guides.

What I would like to do is explore, if there are any interested, and there are studies made which I think are a little exonerated, and I have developed a corporation and I would like to be authorized, and if you see fit to continue this I will leave the model here, and I would like to have a resolution passed by the tribal council permitting myself, under the Great Prairie Lakes Development Corporation, to look into a feasibility study, and with this resolution I could go to Omaha and also get the Daly people interested in this thing. What I would do is swing them from the heavy capital outlay.

I don't think the original proposal has enough versatility. This is what I would leave you with, and if you are interested, let me know and pass a resolution and I can either, on a joint venture or with the help of the Daly people make the study, because I have the costs and also costs of this ski area from my own experience.

Mr. Swenson: Would you be able to go to Chicago and meet with E.D.A. on a pre-application and get their reaction from that and get their committal on a feasibility study? I am sure one would eventually be made, but think they could go on a pre-application for a grant.

Mr. Peterson indicated he could do this.

Mr. Swenson: The way I take it, you would be interested in a management type of contract agreement. Is this right?

Mr. Peterson: Yes, I think I would have the background to plan the development and train people.

Mr. Swenson: This would appeal to E.D.A. if you would be interested in this type of contract, so that in a number of years you would train someone to take over and it would be tribally owned and managed totally.

Mr. Peterson: This training could be done in Minneapolis and we could select some of the younger people and take them up there to learn the food and chalet business. They could be trained in the hotel.

Mr. Swenson: A lot of the training could be O.J.T. too.

Mr. Peterson: This marina is so unusual in scope that it would compliment what Fort Thompson is doing over there.

Mr. Carl Smith said that he was trying to get that airstrip at Fort Thompson blacktopped and increased and he would like to have a boat to go from the airport right across to this area. This would be quite an attraction.

Mr. Peterson: I think the benefit of skiing is worth losing money on because of the kids who enjoy it during the winter. We had a place up in Bismarck and charged them \$1.00 a day to ski and they really enjoy it. It takes them from the pool halls and from in front of the TV.

Mr. Smith: But the tribe wouldn't have enough to invest the 20% in it.

Mr. Clarence Thompson said no.

Mr. Smith: If the tribe could get other investors like Mr. Peterson, how much could the tribe invest? (Based on a total estimated cost of \$600,000, the 20% would be about \$120,000.)

Mr. Swenson: I am almost sure that the tribe wouldn't go in on a venture like this and get an 80% grant without owning the entire project themselves. If you could include enough tribal land in there to get your in-kind up, you might be able to get your cash contribution down.

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Mr. Swenson: At Fort Thompson there was just \$11,000 in kind, but over there the replica of the Old Fort helped bring the income down as this isn't a profit making venture, like the ski lift. It would cut your income down and help justify an 80% grant instead of 50% grant.

Mr. Peterson: Say a private operator like myself would be sufficiently enthused, since you can't have any ownership, would there be any possibility of a piece of the action, like a percent of gross income or something, since you can't have any equity.

It was agreed this could be worked out.

Mr. Swenson: Suggested we get the minutes of this meeting prepared and discuss it at the meeting tomorrow so that we will know whether to go into Chicago on a pre-application meeting, and possibly a feasibility study.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 19, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brulee Sioux Tribal Office on August 19, 1970, and was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman	
Mr. Orville Langdeau	
Mr. J. W. Thompson	
Mr. Charles Langdeau	
Mrs. Grace Estes	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

SET ELECTION DATE - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to call for an election for the 21st day of October and to set the date of September 21st at 5:00 p.m. as the deadline for nominating petitions to be in. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(2)

ELECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS - Resolution No. 69-14 containing election rules and regulations was reviewed by the council and, because of the consolidation of the reservation into one district, some changes in the voting regulations were made. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt these election rules and regulations and to incorporate these changes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(3)

REQUEST FOR TEACHING POSITION - A letter was read from Mrs. Julie Ducheneaux stating that she would like to teach at the Lower Brule Day School and would like to be considered for a transfer from Fort Thompson where she taught kindergarten last year. The council discussed this request and her qualifications and said that as hard as it is to find teachers here, when someone wants to come here they should be given the chance. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion that Mrs. Julie Ducheneaux be given consideration by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for transfer to the Lower Brule School. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. Mrs. Grace Estes said that we should have more discussion and communication with our teachers and the people hired to teach our children, and we should know what they have to offer and be familiar with what is going on in the school. Mrs. Estes made a motion that we set up a date and have a meeting with the teachers, and if they have any problems, they can bring them up and inform us of what they are doing for our children. The date of September 8th was agreed upon. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

HOME REPAIR PROGRAM - Mr. Charles Langdeau stated that the housing committee met with Mr. Abe Langdeau and that in order to complete all the projects designated for this year, an extension of the G.E.O. labor is needed. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to request an extension of the home repair program for sixty days. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(5)

INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING - The chairman announced that the regular inter-tribal council meeting would be held here tomorrow at 1:00 p.m.

(6)

COUNSELOR CREEK DEVELOPMENT - Minutes of the meeting held yesterday concerning the development of a marina and ski slope at the Counselor Creek Area were distributed. Mr. Peterson's proposal was that he was interested in making a feasibility study and in the management of such a development and that the project itself would be developed as a tribal enterprise with an E.D.A. grant and tribal matching funds. Mr. Swenson reported that he contacted Mr. Frank Zakrajsek in Chicago E.D.A. office, and they reported that no further grants would be made by E.D.A. for recreational complexes until the projects presently under construction have proved themselves. He stated that Mr. Carl Smith had contacted Mr. Zakrajsek several times and was aware of this. He mentioned also the possibility that if this is to be a profit making venture, E.D.A. may require a fifty percent tribal contribution rather than twenty percent.

(7)

COMING MEETING - Mr. Swenson reported that the General Electric Corporation is interested in the possibility of negotiating sub-contract work with our present industry and that Mr. Duane Harder, the B.I.A. Industrial Development Officer from Aberdeen, would be bringing these men around on Friday morning and they would like to meet with the Chairman and council representatives. They would also like to see the Iron Nation Corporation plant here.

(8)

IRON NATION CORP. - The council discussed problems that the Iron Nation Corp. is having in meeting their production quotas, that they have 1600 bags to get out by the 28th, that they have only 400 done and they have had only seven people show up for work for the past several days. The seriousness of this situation was brought out, that we are in danger of losing the plant if we cannot get a steady dependable work force. It was mentioned that people in Washington are watching this industry and that if we lose this industry, we will also lose the chance for any future development on the reservation. The plant was established to employ Indian people, and they will close the plant before they will go off the reservation and bring in non-Indian workers. The possibility of hiring tribal members from Pierre, or of recruiting workers from the Fort Thompson reservation was mentioned. It was decided to call an emergency community meeting to discuss this with the people, and the date of Monday, August 24th was agreed upon, the meeting to be held together with a feed at the Lower Brule Pow Wow grounds.

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(9)

O.E.O. PERSONNEL SELECTION COMMITTEE - It was reported that Mrs. Holland had declined to serve on this committee and that a new appointment would be needed. The council agreed to authorize the chairman to contact and select someone to serve.

(10)

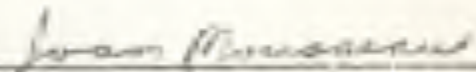
POWER USE AGREEMENT, NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enter into a contract with West Central for the power on the neighborhood center. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(11)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for, two absent.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on August 19, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 21, 1970

A special meeting was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on August 21st, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman at about 10:00 a.m, with those present as follows:

Mr. Andrew Estes, Chairman
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. Orville Langdeau

Others Present:

Mr. James Swenson, Planning Director
Mr. Duane Harder, Area Industrial Development Officer
Mr. Zebley, General Electric Company Representative
(three other gentlemen)

In the absence of a quorum, an informal meeting was held. Mr. Harder introduced Mr. Zebley, a coordinator for the General Electric Company, and stated that they have visited the reservations in North Dakota and South Dakota and are making a swing through the Aberdeen Area.

Mr. Zebley stated that General Electric does about \$8,000,000,000 a year and buy large quantities. About 1,500,000,000 is government money and they are required to try to place as much of that prime contract money into the small business and community as possible, and also in underdeveloped areas. So they have been talking about areas in which they could subcontract, where the easiest way would be to subcontract. It would not be a Section 8-A Government contract, but it would be a straight forward purchase.

Mr. Zebley: What I am interested in is what capability there is and what we could buy. If there is some way we could buy from the people in the quantities, we would like to take a look at it.

Mr. ? : We want to make sure this is an ongoing thing and continuing thing. Like for example, Devils Lake, has the capability for making a refrigerator part. G.E. wouldn't rely on government contracts alone.

Mr. Swenson explained to them the five-year plan at Iron Nation, where they will not rely on government contract work and plan to be out of government work in five years, and he gave them a brochure on Raven Industries showing the Iron Nation work.

Mr. Orville Langdeau: Probably throughout your trip, you have had in mind products that you would like to have made?

Mr. Zebley: We are buying from 60 to 70 different vendors and we buy a variety of things, and we buy when we cannot make it as cheaply or when we can better our quality and price or quantity of delivery. When someone is manufacturing an item for many people, the volume is large enough and they are tooled up to do it, so we would just buy it. We spend about 50¢ on a \$1.00 on the outside.

SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 21, 1970

Mr. Zebley: I do meet about three or four times a year, and what I have seen in the Dakotas will become common knowledge as I will feed it through, and I intend to counteract some of the impressions we have heard in the past, and that alone is worth the trip.

Mr. Zebley said that underdeveloped areas have priority in the letting of government contracts, and that if they agree to sublet twenty five percent to an underdeveloped area, they could use this to quality and this would be a good possibility in the areas visited. He said they looked yesterday at a printing operation, and practically everything they do requires many copies and this is a good possibility. He said he could evaluate things best by looking at the actual facility.

With this the meeting adjourned and the Chairman accompanied the group to the Iron Nation Corporation, so they could get a better idea of the type of work done here.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 26, 1970

A special meeting between the Lower Brule Tribal Council and Lower Brule Day School personnel was held at the Lower Brule School at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26th, with those present as follows:

Council members present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes

School personnel

Mr. Milo Buffalo, principal
Mrs. Gay Donner, Kindergarten teacher
Mrs. Roth, 1st and 2nd grade teacher
Mr. Michael Donner, 3rd and 4th grade
Mr. Robert Briesch, 5th and 6th grade
Mr. Byron Fitzpatrick, 7th and 8th

Mrs. Darlene Brings, teacher's aid
Mrs. Baunita Ness, teacher's aid
Mrs. Melissa LaRoche, teacher's aid
Mrs. Mae Coffey, Cook
Mrs. Grace Blacksmith, teacher's aid

Mr. Gabe Williams, Reservation Principal, Pierre

Mrs. Leola Peterson (Lower Brule reporter)
Mrs. Ball, Public Health
Dr. McKeegan, Public Health Doctor
Mr. Steve Brown, pharmacist
Mr. Niles Brings, N.Y.C. Supervisor, O.E.O.
Mr. Mike Jandreau, O.E.O.

Mr. Buffalo stated they called this meeting with interested groups to introduce us to the new staff as it is an altogether new staff, and to give an idea of the different things that they propose to do this year and invited the council members so that they would be aware of what is going on. The Chairman introduced the council members present, and Mr. Buffalo said Public Health was also invited and introduced his staff, and the teachers beginning with kindergarten. He said this year they have a younger staff and they are mostly degreed people.

Mrs. Gay Donner, kindergarten teacher, said she went to school at Northern and has lived at Sisseton all her life and taught headstart for two summers and has taught 4th and 5th grades and taught summer school this summer at DeSmet. She said she has a double major from Northern in special education and a bachelors in elementary education.

Mr. Buffalo said they have retained Mrs. Roth. She has an elementary certificate and attended Black Hills State and is well qualified as a reading teacher. She teaches the first grade. The other Title I teacher that we will have is Mrs. Nissen. Presently she is in Washington but will be here on Monday to begin.

On the 3rd and 4th grade level, they are trying to get Mrs. Andresen; if they are unable to get her, they have someone else in mind who has a degree and lives in Chamberlain.

Also on the 3rd and 4th grade level is Mr. Michael Donner. He did his practice teaching in Sisseton and he has quite a background in sports and we hope to develop a physical education program.

He introduced another gentleman we are fortunate to have as he does have knowledge and innovative ideas for a reading program and he introduced Mr. Robert Bruesch from California. Mr. Bruesch said he has a masters degree from Whittier College in California and has experience with remedial reading. He has done work with the Boy's Club and reading lab and in sports. He said in his work with the reading lab, they established a reading clinic. This experience gave him the experience to set up a new lab on his particular school campus. Mr. Buffalo said that if they get Mrs. Andresen, there will be two reading specialists here and the reason for the emphasis in reading is that these children lack the experienced background because of their environment and traditional methods are not working as far as educating these children, so they are trying to get away from the textbook type learning and bring in other innovative ideas.


He introduced Mr. Bryan Fitzpatrick who graduated from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and he has a bachelors in the elementary level.

Mr. Buffalo said that this is the staff they have, and they also anticipate getting Annette Wilson to help with the paper work with the Title I Program.

Mr. Buffalo said he wanted to go over one program, and that is a concentrated reading program, and there will be an ungraded reading program in the primary grades. He said that this room would be a materials and instructional center, fully carpeted, with materials and equipment and reading machines. They will have a reading machine and a special type of recording machine so the children can listen to their own voice reading. There will be special remedial reading textbooks, reading games, little hand things which are a lot like toys to teach them to recognize words immediately. He also explained the ungraded reading program, whereby they would test the kids the first week of school to determine what level they are reading at, then during the reading period, the kids would be divided into classes according to the reading level and they would not be in the regular classes. They will be going into the reading lab and getting a concentrated reading program with the reading specialists and aides that they have.

The teachers and Public Health officials also discussed the health program and health care the children would receive. They mentioned also that when a child is sick, they would like to encourage the parents to bring the child to clinic so that they could explain what was wrong with the child and would know what medications and treatment the child was to follow. They mentioned also that they have been requested to encourage and help with sex education in the schools and if they are requested to do this, they will provide material and help in any way they can.

The council discussed this and thought that the parents should be informed of this to get their opinion. The importance of an active P.T.A. was stressed and it was agreed to call another meeting with the parents, the council and the teachers. Mr. Buffalo said that every Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 they would have a meeting with the teachers and staff and any parent or councilman would be welcome to attend.


Joseph Mousseanu, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING
LOWER BRULE AND CROW CREEK SIOUX TRIBES
AUGUST 27, 1970

The meeting of the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Inter-tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Tribal office on August 27, 1970, and was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Fred Pattee, at 1:00 with members present as follows:

Mr. Fred Pattee, Crow Creek Council
Mr. Robert Philbrick, Crow Creek Council
Mr. Paul Harrison, Jr., Crow Creek Council
Mr. Henry Big Eagle, Crow Creek Council (arrived late)
Mr. John Coleman, Fort Thompson, member at large

Mr. Andrew Estes, Lower Brule Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Lower Brule Council
Mr. Charles Langdeau, Lower Brule Council
Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Lower Brule Council
Mr. J. W. Thompson, Lower Brule Council
Mrs. Grace Estes, Lower Brule Council
Mr. Orville Langdeau, Lower Brule Council
Mrs. Joan Mousseau, Lower Brule, member at large

Mr. Ben Eagleman, Crow Creek Business Manager
Mr. Gabe Williams, Reservation Principal, B.I.A.
Mr. Mackey, B.I.A. Education, Fort Thompson
Mr. Clarence Skye, CAP Director
Mr. Ken Ross, State Department of Public Instruction

Mr. Richard Monteau, Program Analyst, Washington (arrived later)
Mr. Daniel Peterson, I.C.A.P., Vermillion (arrived with Mr. Mahto)

(1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The minutes of the inter-tribal council meeting held on August 6th were read. Mr. Pattee said there should be one correction and he explained that at the very beginning where it states that "we" had talked with the group at Stephan, this should state that the "Chairman" talked with them.

(2)

OPERATION OF STEPHAN HIGH SCHOOL AND PLAN FOR NEW SCHOOL (CONFIRM APPOINTMENT OF MR. COLEMAN TO C.A.A.) - Mr. Pattee explained that the purpose of the inter-tribal council is to facilitate the handling of things of interest and concern to two or more communities. The members of such a group can take an active participation in things of concern to both localities. It will take this working together to lay the groundwork for some of the things we plan here, and one is to make an immediate approach for developing a new high school like we plan for this young generation whom we represent. The whole state is watching what we are doing here and the thought comes to mind, why can't we just surprise the state and become people big enough to handle all our problems with a business-like direction. Someone asked whether we have

the right to enter into contracts, and the inter-tribal council is a distinct entity made possible by two sovereign groups. So we as an inter-tribal council can make contracts with other groups where distinctly it is such a necessity requiring inter-tribal action. Mr. Ken Ross read a proposed resolution which would clarify any question which may arise and which would incorporate Educational Services as a function of the inter-tribal incorporate jurisdiction. Mr. Andrew Estes suggested that this resolution should be broadened to include that the two tribes in the future want a new school centrally located and this should be specified. Mr. Pattee agreed that there has been too many times in the past where subjects are brought up and postponed, and this can go on indefinitely. Mr. Pattee read the resolution passed by the Lower Brule Tribal Council which was as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council to participate with the Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Council on a Buy-Indian Act Contract for the operation of the Stephan High School as an Interim project, with the provision that this is a temporary situation, and that our ultimate goal is for a joint high school to be located in Lyman County equidistant to both reservations, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to take joint action on this new school immediately, and to solicit the help of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and our Congressional delegates in this regard.

Mr. Pattee asked for comments from Fort Thompson. Mr. Philbrick said that in order to have a quorum, action needed to be taken to get Mr. Coleman recognized as a member at large for the Community Action Agency. (At this time only three Fort Thompson councilmen were present but a fourth member arrived later to provide a quorum.) Mr. Robert Philbrick made a motion to install Mr. John Coleman as a member of the inter-tribal Community Action Agency Board. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried unanimously. Mr. Coleman was introduced to the Lower Brule Council. It was mentioned that this would give him the authority to act on O.E.O. matters as a member of the Community Action Agency.

(3)

APPROVE SELECTION OF INTERIM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS - Mr. Pattee said that we made a contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs that the inter-tribal council would conduct the business of the school. He said that he had appointed an interim school board until such time as a permanent school board could be established and that one more member needed to be appointed from Lower Brule. Mr. Clarence Thompson suggested that Mrs. Grace Estes be appointed and this was agreeable to all the members. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve of the selections made to this interim board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried unanimously. Those appointed were Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Mrs. Grace Estes, and Mr. Joe Blacksmith from Lower Brule and Mrs. Lena Olsen, Mrs. Lorraine Gourneau, and Mr. Lee Azure from Fort Thompson. Mr. Ross said that the board would need their duties and limitations explained to them and he presented another resolution for consideration. (Mr. Henry Big Eagle arrived, making a quorum present from Fort Thompson. He was asked to indicate his concurrence on the motion appointing Mr. Coleman and the interim school board and he indicated his agreement.

(4)

PLAN FOR CENTRALLY LOCATED HIGH SCHOOL - Mr. Andrew Estes said that as long as a quorum was now present from Fort Thompson, he requested a resolution from their council concurring with the Lower Brule's resolution stating that the operation of the Stephan School would be an interim measure and agreeing to work together for a new high school to be located in Lyman County equidistant to both reservations. (The meeting recessed to allow the Fort Thompson council to meet privately in this regard.) The meeting was called back to order and Mr. Patee announced that the Crow Creek Council had met and they passed a resolution agreeing to work with Lower Brule toward getting a school centrally located and feasible. Mr. Andrew Estes said the resolution should stipulate where the school is to be located, so that there will be no future question. The Fort Thompson council discussed this and agreed that Lyman County would be centrally located and this could be included in the resolution.

(5)

ADOPT RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING SCHOOL - Mr. Paul Harrison made a motion to adopt the two resolutions proposed, one to include educational services as a corporate function of the inter-tribal council, and the other to establish an interim school board until such time as an election creates a duly constituted school board. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried unanimously.

(6)

LOCATION OF BUREAU OFFICES - Mr. Robert Philbrick made a motion to adopt a resolution to include that the Bureau agency offices be relocated to the new school location to better serve both reservations. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried unanimously.

(7)

874 FUNDS - It was brought up that there were quite a few kids from Fort Thompson who indicated they would like to attend Reliance, and the question was raised whether Reliance could claim the 874 funds for them. This was discussed and a definite answer was not available; however, the feeling was that since Fort Thompson was assigned to the Chamberlain district, in order for a child to cross the district lines, he would have to request this transfer and it would be up to the discretion of the Chamberlain district whether they would pay tuition for the child at Reliance. Mr. Andrew Estes said that they were told by the governor that the state has no jurisdiction on the reservation and he questioned their right to assign. Mr. Ken Ross said that these 874 monies are provided to a district because of the non-taxable land; however, an amendment has been suggested to the 874 law to include the stipulation that for Indian children, these dollars should follow the child. The other thing which could be done is to ask for a hearing from the State Commission and ask that Fort Thompson be attached to Lyman County. Mr. Andrew Estes mentioned that Lower Brule had asked Fort Thompson to do this before. The possibility of bussing kids to Reliance from Fort Thompson was mentioned, and it was thought that perhaps this could be done as a part of the Stephan Buy-Indian Act contract.

(8)

SCHOOL BOARD TRAINING - Mr. Patee thanked Mr. Ross on behalf of the inter-tribal council. Mr. Ross said he had one more suggestion, and that was that the inter-tribal council could consider passing a joint resolution asking the BIA to provide school board training and ask that the Area Director provide these services from the Brigham City Library.

(9)

REQUEST FOR O.E.O. PROGRAMS - Mr. Paul Harrison made a motion to request the O.E.O. programs on our reservations for the coming year. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried unanimously.

(10)

REVIEW OF VARIOUS COMPONENTS - Mr. Clarence Skye reviewed with the councils the various programs; he said the first is administration, and they have programmed \$26,400 for this. The next is General Services, \$74,700. It was discussed that there was a need for a staff to operate and maintain the new neighborhood facilities centers on both reservations, and Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to change the General Services Program to Neighborhood Services. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried unanimously. Mr. Skye mentioned the manpower program, which handles employment on both reservations, through which program Mr. LaBelle is employed. Mr. Pattee asked if anyone is getting training and Mr. Skye reported that there are about six people in training now, one in Bismarck, and that there is also a job counselor working under this program.

Mr. Skye reported that \$39,505 was programmed for home repair; however, we may lose this as they say this is considered by some to be a duplication of service of the B.I.A. Home Improvement Program. The councils discussed the need for this program and Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to change this program to Maintenance of Reservation Homes and request funding for it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henry Big Eagle and carried unanimously.

Head Start - Mr. Skye reported they have received approval for headstart, including a center for the Big Bend Community, which means there will be one additional center this year. Also under this program, there are college courses to be taught on both reservations, and the cost for anyone wishing to attend will be \$13.00 for the course. Headstart is now under the Division of Child Development and child education.

Alcoholism Program - Mr. Skye reported approval has been received for this program; however, funds will not be available until November. (He reported that they had received \$24,000 which was an adjustment made by O.E.O. with the Tribes for program years beginning in 1965 thru 1969, and that this could not be used.)

The application for funds for the operation of the Boys Club was discussed. The councils felt that this is a worthwhile program and has really benefitted the boys and has reduced juvenile delinquency. Mr. Monteau and Mr. Peterson arrived and Mr. Monteau said that if we do inject this into our regular funding, we are liable to lose that amount of funding because O.E.O. is changing the direction and would like to see more profit-making ventures, and this is not a profit making organization. The background of this program was discussed, how a small grant was given this organization to get it started, but additional funds have not been forthcoming. Mr. Robert Philbrick made a motion to reaffirm our position that we want a Boys Club and to request funding. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried unanimously.

(11)

PLANNING COMMISSION - Mr. Clarence Skye said that this year they would like the plans and priorities to follow the recommendations of the Planning Commission. Mr. Robert Philbrick made a motion that the CAP Form 81 follow the plans and priorities of the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried unanimously.

(12)

PERSONNEL SELECTION COMMITTEE - It was reported that the personnel selection committee members selected by each council were Miss Bonnie Buffalo and Rev. Taylor from Lower Brule, and Father Dan, Gladys Wells and Imogene High Elk from Crow Creek. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve these people. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrew Estes and carried unanimously.

(13)

BOOK CONTAINING STATISTICAL DATA - Mr. Clarence Skye showed the councils a book put out from the Aberdeen Office which gives information and figures and statistical data on the various reservations, the land base, and a lot of valuable information and he requested that each tribe ask for some copies of this.

(14)


COMING MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Mr. Monteau announced that there were plans being made for a meeting to be held either in Albuquerque or Denver sometime in September, and that the purpose of the meeting is to go over the President's message, and that Mr. Rumsfeldt and the President's Aid would be there and we could attempt to get a commitment from them in regard to programs in line with the President's message.

(15)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Pattee said that this has been one of the most inspirational and progressive meetings he has attended for a long time and that a unity is developing under difficult situations. He informed Mr. Monteau of our efforts toward the establishment of a new high school which we hope to accomplish with the new attitude of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Mr. Paul Harrison moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau, and carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Inter-Tribal Council held with quorum present on August 27, 1970.


* Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
AUGUST 27, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on the morning of August 27, 1970, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew P. Estes, with roll call as follows: (The meeting was to have been inter-tribal, but in the absence of a quorum from Fort Thompson, Lower Brule Council met alone in regard to the Stephan proposal.)

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Others Present


Mr. Gabe Williams, Reservation Prin.
Mr. Mackey

The chairman opened the floor for a discussion on the school situation and the council discussed the Stephan proposal. Mr. Andrew Estes asked Mr. Williams and Mr. Mackey about providing transportation and tuition for the kids from Fort Thompson who wanted to attend Reliance, and asked why they couldn't do this if they could go with the Stephan proposal. He said that all along we have been trying to work toward a better school equidistant to both reservations and now instead Lower Brule is being asked to support this Stephan School 100%.

After much further discussion, Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution to participate with the Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Council on a Buy-Indian Act Contract for the operation of the Stephan High School as an interim project, with the provision that this is a temporary situation, and that our ultimate goal is for a joint high school to be located in Lyman County equidistant to both reservations, and to take joint action on this new school immediately. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

Mr. Ken Ross was called in to discuss the possibility of those kids from Fort Thompson who had indicated they wanted to attend Reliance, of being allowed to attend Reliance. Tuition and 874 funds were discussed along with transportation.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch and reconvened with the Fort Thompson council for an inter-tribal meeting at 1:00.)


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 2, 1970

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on September 2, 1970, and was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman	
Mr. Orville Langdeau	
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	
Mr. Charles Langdeau	
Mrs. Grace Estes	

The meeting was opened with the Lords Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to approve Mr. Larson's invoice. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for, none against, Grace absent.

(2)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - The chairman read a letter from Attorney Larson advising that if the Tribe wants to pursue the collection of the settlement funds, that it is essential that we retain California counsel, and a letter was read from a California law firm stating what their fees would be. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting legal assistance from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in collecting these amounts due the Tribe. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against.

(3)

N.C.A.I. CONVENTION - It was reported that the N.C.A.I. Convention would be held in Alaska the week of October 18th to 24th, and they are asking that we appoint our voting delegates. This was tabled until this afternoon, to allow time to consider this and decide who would attend.

(4)

REQUEST FOR ENROLLMENT - A letter was read from Doris L. Soloria, daughter of Ruth Huntsman requesting enrollment. The council suggested we write to her to secure more information as to her residence and degree of blood to determine whether or not she would be eligible for enrollment.

(5)

ENROLLMENT REGULATIONS - The council discussed some of the inequities in our present enrollment regulations and discussed the possibility of changing the constitution to broaden the regulations. It was suggested that any enrolled member be allowed to enroll his child regardless of the degree of blood or residency; however, the Chairman stated that according to Federal regulations,

he wasn't sure that the Tribe could disregard degree of blood altogether. It was also suggested that rather than recording only the Lower Brule degree of Indian blood, all the Indian blood should be recorded, so that if the parents were from different reservations, there would be a record of all the Indian blood rather than only the Lower Brule blood as is the requirement of our present constitution. According to the constitution, any change in enrollment regulations would have to be voted on by the tribal members and that an election for this purpose could be called only upon the request of a five-sevenths vote of the council. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to change and broaden our enrollment regulations and to bring this to a vote of the people. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau. A vote was taken resulting with a vote of four for and one against. Those voting for were Grace, Kay, Orville and Charles, with Clarence voting against. The chairman was asked to vote and he said he would vote against so that this could be investigated further and taken up by the new council; therefore, the motion was defeated as it did not carry with the required five-sevenths majority.

(The meeting adjourned for lunch and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.)

(6)

FAREWELL TO MR. EDZARDS - The chairman stated that before we begin our meeting, he would like to say a few words on behalf of the council, that we all feel the same way, that it has been nice working with you Mr. Edzards and we hate to see you go. He then called on Mrs. Kay Gourneau who presented Mr. Edzards with a farewell gift, a beaded tie made by some of our tribal members. Mr. Edzards thanked the council and said that it has been an enjoyable eight years working with us and that he too hated to see it come to an end, and he said that he would try to keep in touch and try to hear how Bulie is getting along, as there has been great improvements here and that in a few years, Bulie will be even bigger and better.

(7)

DEVELOPMENT FUNDS - Mr. Edzards said that they have the applications for the development fund grant, that this will be advertised in the local papers, and that Mr. McKay will be available to assist anyone in completing the application. He said they will accept these applications for the next sixty days and then they will go over the applications and make the selections.

(8)

ROADS AND DUMP GROUNDS - Mr. Edzards said they will be taking out several miles of the broken black top and put it back to gravel until such time as it can be fixed right so that there will not be the hazard that there is now. The Chairman also told Mr. Edzards that we are in need of a new dump grounds as the present one is full. Mr. Edzards said that Mr. William Ziegler is on the road department now and that if the Tribe needs any services, to ask him.

(9)

O.E.D.P. PROGRESS REPORT - Mr. Carl Smith reported that the inter-tribal Overall Economic Development Program has been approved and that the area will continue to be designated eligible for 1969, and will come up again for review in April of 1970.

(10)

COUNSELOR CREEK FEASIBILITY STUDY - Mr. Carl Smith reported that he had stopped at Bismarck and talked with Mr. Peterson, of the Great Prairie Lakes Development Association, and he could get funds for a Counselor Creek Feasibility Study. The Chairman asked who would make the study and Mr. Smith replied the Great Lakes Association. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to have the feasibility study on that. Mr. Orville Langdeau asked who would fund this. Mr. Carl Smith said that E.D.A. would fund studies such as this. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and it was agreed that it should be included in the motion that the study would be funded one-hundred percent by E.D.A. Mrs. Grace Estes asked if there have been any other studies done on Counselor Creek. The Chairman reported there were two studies, one by Daly and one by Bartholomew & Assoc. Mrs. Gourneau mentioned that it was also included in the 701 Planning Study. A vote was taken and the motion carried with five for and none against.

(11)

TRAINING FOR PREDATOR CONTROL - Mr. Herrington said that the council had previously been interested in training someone for predator control, and that this school will be held in Pine Ridge from October 7th through 9th. Mr. Orville Langdeau asked if there will be any training available anywhere for game wardens. Mr. Herrington said he didn't know of any but would let us know if he heard of any.

(12)

GRASSROPE IRRIGATION STUDY - Mr. Herrington said they have sent the Tribe a copy of the Grassrope feasibility study and they are asking for comments from the Bureau and the Tribe to send with the study to Washington. Mr. Herrington said he had invited the Reclamation people down to meet with the council and the date of September 16th at 1:30 p.m. was agreed upon.

(13)

GIFFORD RANCH - Mr. Herrington said that on the lease of the Gifford Ranch, Mr. Karlan had made a tentative proposal requesting permission to break up about 800 acres for farming, with the understanding he would plant it back to grass, and also to apply for cost sharing for putting in an artesian well. He said that Mr. Karlan hasn't been able to get in touch with the S.C.S. office to determine if they will go along with the well so this isn't definite, but he wondered if the tribe was interested. The Chairman stated that if Mr. Karlan was proposing this, he should come in and speak for himself. Mrs. Gourneau suggested having the land committee meet with Mr. Karlan and the Chairman suggested that the meeting be held up at the ranch so they would know exactly what land they were thinking of farming and where the well would be located.

(14)

DEVELOPMENT FUND - Mr. McKay explained the development fund grant, that it was intended to provide someone starting out in business with the necessary capital so that they could secure outside financing, and that they can only go up to 40% of the amount of the loan. There is only \$14,000 and they would like to make this go as far as possible, and that individuals or the Tribe could apply. He gave the council a sample application form, which is ten pages in length, and offered his assistance to anyone who wants to apply for this.

(15)

LAND PURCHASES - The Chairman said that on the sale of the two tracts owned by the Grassrope heirs, one group wants to sell their share of one tract and retain what they own in the other tract, and the other group just the opposite. Mr. Joe Brewer said that this land is being bought with rehab funds for resale and that they must all agree to the sale, or none.

(16)

SUBMARGINAL LAND - The Chairman told of the meeting he attended in Minneapolis concerning submarginal land. He said that after listening to the problems some reservations are having with their submarginal land, we are better off than most reservations. He said what they are trying to do is unit and get everything ready and get a bill written up to present to the new Congress to turn title to submarginal land to the Tribes involved.

(17)

LAND PURCHASES - Mr. Joe Brewer said he had three land sales pending, and he gave the purchase price, for these allotments: The Joe Yellow Allotment, LB 28, 75.25 acres, and that they would like to reserve a home site; LB 404 owned by Harry Thompson and Amy Carpenter, 160 acres; and LB 889, the Ida Frazier allotment, 180 acres. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to buy all three of these tracts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for and none against.

(18)

ENROLLMENT - Requests for enrollment were received for Delfreda Marie LeCompte, daughter of Alfreda and Delano LeCompte, and for Bryan Scott Ziegler, son of William and Sue Ziegler. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to enroll these children, seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau, and carried with five for and none against.

(19)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - The educational grant applications were reviewed by the Council. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve these nine educational grants - (one for college and eight for high school). The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(20)

COMING MEETINGS - The Chairman stated there will be an O.E.O. meeting in Vermillion on the 16th, but this will conflict with our meeting here on the Grassrope Irrigation Study. There will be a conference sponsored by the Winnebago Tribe to meet with various officials and discuss the Presidential Message. A similar meeting is being planned either in Denver or Albuquerque for sometime in October. Another letter was read telling of a special training for police officers concerning drug abuse, drug laws, and methods of investigation, which meeting is being sponsored by the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and will be held in Rapid City on the 8th, 9th and 10th, and in Sioux Falls on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th.

(21)

HOME REPAIR - Mr. Abe Langdeau and Mr. George Tlustos came in in regard to home repair and said that they have been hiring the labor with H.I.P. funds but that this is getting expensive and will take money away from materials. Construction has started on the second house to be built, and Mr. Langdeau requested that some T.W.E.T.P. workers be allowed to work on this. It was

brought out that there are only three men working under T.W.E.T.P. presently, that this is a welfare program and these three are certified eligible only because of disabilities which prevent them from holding a regular job, and that now with the plant and other employment available, there shouldn't be many men eligible to work under T.W.E.T.P. this year. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to allow the T.W.E.T.P. people to work on the home repair program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau. The chairman suggested that before a vote is taken, it should be made clear that repairing broken windows and screens etc. would be the responsibility of the home owner and would not be done under home repair. It was agreed that the people should be informed of this. A vote was taken and the motion carried with five for and none against. In regard to the B.I.A. Home Improvement Program for next year, Mr. Tlustos said that they were trying to get this as a grant so that it wouldn't have to be vouchered out as it is this year.

(22)

REQUEST FOR MORE HOUSES - The Chairman stated also that there are many people off the reservation who would like to come back, especially now that employment is available, and that we will probably be needing twenty-five to thirty more houses, and he requested that Mr. Tlustos begin work on submitting a program application for more houses. It was mentioned that it was over two years ago that we first applied for the houses now being built and that it does take a long time to get them. Mrs. Estes mentioned also that many have asked her about working at the plant, but when they ask about housing, she has to tell them there is nothing available.

(23)

FUNERAL EXPENSES - Two letters were read from tribal members requesting the \$150 funeral expense grant recently passed by the council. The council said that this was passed to be effective with the new budget, beginning July 1st, and would be effective only for deaths after that time.

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APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT FUND GRANT - A letter was read from Mr. Richard LaRoche requesting assistance in completing the application for this business grant. It was agreed to request that Mr. McKay assist him on this.

(25)

REQUEST FOR DONATION - A letter was read informing the council of the Paschal Sherman Scholarship Fund established in honor of this great Indian leader. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to contribute to this scholarship fund. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(26)

N.C.A.I. CONVENTION - Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to appoint Mr. Charles Langdeau, Mr. Clarence Thompson and Mrs. Grace Estes as voting delegates to the N.C.A.I. Convention. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for, two not voting. (Charles and Clarence not voting)

(27)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(28)

COMING ELECTION - It was mentioned that people were asking about the voting regulations and how many votes they would get. The council said it was agreed the voters would vote for all six representatives. Mrs. Gourneau suggested sending a newsletter to the people informing them of this. It was mentioned that someone had said they didn't want to vote for six but maybe just a few they wanted, and it was agreed that they wouldn't have to vote for all six, but they could vote for as many as six, and they should take advantage of the opportunity to indicate their wishes for all six positions.

(29)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Grace Estes moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on September 2, 1970.

Joan Mousseau
Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 16, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on September 16, 1970, and was called to order at about 1:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Orville Langdeau

Absent

Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. J. W. Thompson

Others Present

Mr. Douglas Herrington
Mr. Funkhouser, Bureau of Reclamation,
Huron

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

GRASSROPE IRRIGATION UNIT - Mr. Funkhouser said he would review the feasibility study with the council and that they were supposed to get comments from the Tribe, and other agencies to incorporate any suggestions into the final report. When the final report is made, copies will be made available for the council. He gave each councilman a map showing the project. There are about 7100 acres in the area, and the irrigable land outside the taking area is about 4100 acres which would be suitable for irrigation. The pumping plant would be on the north end of the project area right about where the access road goes and it would lift the water about 118 feet through a 36" pipe. The whole system is either in pipe, and about 10 miles of concrete laterals. (The lines and laterals are shown on the map.) The water would be available at every quarter and there are a few surface drains. There is subsurface gravel in the area so you will have good natural drainage. He said that this is a very good project, that he has worked for the Bureau for 22 years and this is one of the best small projects he has seen. It is compact and there is very good soil.

He said that the operational and maintenance cost would average about \$7.90 per acre per year, which would be the average cost and would deliver about 22" of water. This would be the cost of pumping the water and delivering it to the land. This cost could vary depending on whether it was a wet or dry year, depending on how much water was pumped. He said that there would be an additional cost of about \$3.20 per acre per year for construction cost, but as long as the land remains in Indian ownership, all they would have to pay would be \$7.90 per year. He said that this cost would not be assessed on tribal or trust land, or individual Indian owned land. But if the land ever did pass to non-Indian ownership, then this charge would be applied.

Mr. Funkhouser said that this \$7.90 cost is just to get the water to the land and there will be other costs; Either for a gravity irrigation or sprinkler methods. If you were to apply the water by gravity, then you would have to level some of this land and this would cost about \$100 per acre to develop the land for gravity irrigation. If you are going to use sprinkler methods or hand moved systems, they run about \$125 per acre. The self-propelled systems run up to about \$200 per acre. It would be a land owner or water user cost to provide this service. Mr. Herrington pointed out that the \$100 an acre cost for gravity flow would be a one-time thing; but the life of a sprinkler system is from 10 to 25 years, and then you have to repeat the expenditure. Mr. Charles Langdeau mentioned also that government cost sharing is available for ditching and also for concrete lining the ditches.

Of the 4100 acres of irrigable land, it is almost all tribal and individual Indian owned, except for 367 acres fee title to Mr. Peterson, and 289 acres submarginal. The chairman inquired of the possibility at Fort Hale. Mr. Funkhouser there is good soil but there would be a higher pump lift and it is a head water with a fluctuating water level which would make it a little more expensive. Here the maximum fluctuation is about 5 feet. He said however that they did have a project on the head waters of Oahe and it fluctuates about 80 feet so they put the pump on rails.

The possibilities for use of the land were discussed, that there would be about 3 possibilities: either developing a tribal enterprise, leasing it out in sections to tribal members, or leasing out the entire project lands. The economics were discussed and crop yields on other irrigated lands were mentioned. He said with the soil we have, we should be able to grow specialty crops like potatoes or onions. Like for potatoes, there may be 540 bushells per acre and you could gross about \$5,000 or \$6,000 per acre with potatoes. Potatoes should only be planted every third year though so the crops would have to be rotated. The potential for raising feed grains, alfalfa and hay were also discussed, and raising cattle on dry land and feeding them from feeds on irrigated land would increase the profit and that irrigated feed is the cheapest way to feed. Mr. Funkhouser told about the Pena Tribe, South of Phoenix, and they developed a tribal enterprise and are operating a 12,000 acre unit as a tribal enterprise. They send one of their young tribal members to school and he manages the project and has other straw-bosses working under him. They primarily raise cotton. If the tribe decided to lease it out, instead of the \$7.00 an acre rental, they would get about \$12 an acre depending on the demand. There is an 80 acre irrigated tract at Fort Thompson which leases for \$14 an acre. Mr. Funkhouser said that with the lease and operating expenses, it probably costs him about \$23 an acre but he is still making money. (Mr. Brewer said if it were leased out, the user would have to pay the construction costs, \$3.20 per acre.)

Mr. Funkhouser said that from here the report would go to the Secretary of the Interior, and they send it to the budget department, and then it goes on to congress and requires congressional authorization and they would need to provide the funds to build it. Then it will take about 2½ to 3 years to build the project, so we are talking about 1975 or 1976 if everything moves along smoothly. It is a political process and Mr. Herrington said that if the Tribe does not push it, it will probably die on the vine.

The chairman said that this would be a good time to get it in as next month they will start working on appropriations. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to go on record as showing our interest in the Grassrope Irrigation Unit and to try to get the project approved and funded as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and two absent. It was mentioned that the money for the study was gotten through Senator Mundt and that the resolution requesting the study was back in January of 1965. Mr. Herrington said that if the project is approved, the funding can be handled in several ways, either developed as a Bureau of Reclamation Project, or the funds can be contracted to the tribe and the tribe could contract for the construction of the project. Mr. Funkhouser said that he could see that the tribe was interested in the project and Mr. Herrington thanked him for coming.

(2)

LAND SALES - The chairman inquired from Joe Brewer about several land sales which are pending: Eva Iron Elk, whose husband was Ernest DeNoyer; and Ida White Lightening, the Standing Cloud or Standing Bear Estate. The Chairman also asked about the Grassrope land and Mr. Brewer reported that they had decided to sell the tract south of here and keep that at Little Bend. Also, the Minerva Iron Elk, Big Heart Estate at Cedar Creek; Mrs. Estes said also that Ollie Gillan wants to sell here mineral rights; also Skarydt on mineral rights.

(3)

GAME WARDEN SCHOOL - Mr. Orville Langdeau asked Mr. Herrington if he had found out anything about training game wardens. Mr. Herrington said that there are both the enforcement angle and the management angle and that a course could be set up at a university and this would probably be a one year course. Mr. Herrington said that the State Dept. of Game, Fish and Parks were having a two-week training course for their employees and they said that tribal representatives could attend this training. Mr. Langdeau said that this would be good. Mr. Herrington said that the training will probably be at Sioux Falls and that he would check and get the dates.

(4)

HUNTING REGULATIONS - Hunting regulations and enforcement were discussed in detail. It was agreed that the reservation would be closed for everything except migratory waterfowl to outsiders. Two gentlemen who were working on the interstate came in and wanted to secure a license for grouse and upland game. The chairman informed him that they could not hunt for these on the reservation. They asked about where there was deeded land, but the Chairman said this applied to all land on the reservation, and that game could not be transported on roads across Indian land. They asked if this wasn't a federal highway, but the chairman informed him there would be no hunting on the reservation. There was a lengthy discussion on the hunting of migratory waterfowl, whether this should be closed altogether also, or whether game wardens should be hired and this allowed with close supervision, or whether a lessor should be allowed to control the hunting on lands they lease. The problems with hunters cutting fences, shooting cattle, and disregarding all tribal control were discussed. No decision was reached on this but a meeting was set for September 21st to discuss this, along with a review of the council nominating petitions which are all to be in by 5:00 on the 21st. Antelope season was discussed and Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to set the season for the first two weekends in October, October 3, 4, 10 and 11th. (for tribal members and resident Indians). The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against. (15 permits for Lower Brule, 15 for Cedar Creek, at \$5.00 each.)

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BUREAU PLANNING & BUDGETING - In the absence of a superintendent, Mr. Herrington mentioned that they need to meet with the council soon to discuss the Program Planning and Budgeting for the years 1973 through 1977.

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AUTHORIZE FINANCE OFFICER TO SIGN CHECKS - Mrs. Grace Estes mentioned that since our Secretary-Treasurer is now on the school board and is often away at meetings, she is not always available for signing checks and asked if there shouldn't be two people authorized to sign. It was mentioned that Mrs. Estes has always been able to sign them and that Mr. Langdeau didn't think this power was ever taken away. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion that we have Mrs. Joyce Estes authorized to sign checks as well as the secretary treasurer. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with three for and none against.

(7)

COMING MEETING - The Chairman stated that there will be an important meeting in Rapid City on the 23rd and the Mr. Robert Robertson from Washington, and maybe the commissioner will be out and that we want to go and talk with them about our roads and our school. He said that we have finally gotten the resolution from Fort Thompson supporting the centrally located high school.

The chairman said that concerning the meeting held in Aberdeen concerning the 874 money, they were talking about having the United Sioux Tribes take over the administration of this rather than the State Department of Public Instruction; however, Mr. Percy Archembalt from Greenwood wanted to take this over and wouldn't go along with the rest of the reservations. As a result, it was decided that for this year, the B.I.A. would take this over and that maybe next year the United Sioux Tribes could take it over.


Mrs. Estes also reported on the meeting in Winnebago, that it got a little involved with militants. She said that she did not stay for Friday, but that the floor was turned over to a David Frazier from the southwest and he had come from Mt. Rushmore and a collection was taken up for those at Mt. Rushmore and they raised \$164.00, but that no Lower Brule money went into this. She said there were also two delegates from Pine Ridge who went on record as not going along with these people.

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CAP DIRECTOR'S SALARY - It was mentioned that a resolution was needed from the Lower Brule council agreeing to contribute \$864 toward Mr. Skye's salary. This was tabled to be taken up at the inter-tribal meeting tomorrow.

(9)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Clarence Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 21, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on September 21st, 1970, and was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mrs. Grace Estes
Mr. Charles Langdeau (arrived at 4:30)

Absent

Mr. J. W. Thompson

Others Present

Mr. Venji
Mr. Harper Fredenberg, Asst Area S.O.
Mr. Al Adams, Indian Desk, LEAA
Mr. Robert Miller, State Planning
Officer

LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS - The chairman turned the meeting over to the visitors to explain their programs. Mr. Al Adams stated that he represented the Indian Desk of the Law Enforcement Assistance Operation, which is the Agency of the U.S. Dept. of Justice which administers funds of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act. He said there are two types of funds. One is called block grants, and this is 85% of the total appropriation and is given to the governor of each state, and the state must set up a Planning Agency to administer these funds. This is where Mr. Robert Miller comes in, as he has the administration for the state. The 15% remaining is the discretionary grant funds and these can be requested directly through Washington. The amount of money we are talking about concerning Indians is about 1½ million dollars and there are 84 reservations eligible. He said they have recommended to congress that they be given authority to give the grants without matching funds as far as Indians are concerned, because as the law now reads, there must be matching funds, a minimum of 25% local contribution. The chairman asked about game wardens and said that this is one of our biggest problems right now. Mr. Fredenberg said that this wouldn't be included; however, if their powers were that of a regular officer and game warden duties incidentally, there might be a possibility. Mrs. Gourneau inquired about the law and order program which we wrote up and requested funding for. That was for a probation and parole officer, and one additional policeman and a psychiatric social worker. Mr. Fredenberg said that they had called back for additional information and that they have now received this and the application is being considered and probably will be funded for the probation and parole officer. Mrs. Grace Estes inquired about getting a J.P. in here. It was thought that the person to see would be the County Commissioner in Kennebec and it was agreed that Mr. Venji and a member from the Tribe would go down and discuss this with them. Mr. Venji was called to the telephone and when he came back said that he was called to Deadwood to testify and must leave. Before he left, the chairman asked if the Law and Order Department would be able to give us a couple extra men, as we are having a lot of trouble with game violators, at least until goose season is over. Mr. Venji asked if he meant for the Bureau to fund the two positions, and the Chairman said yes, at least temporarily until we can get something set up. Mrs. Estes and Mr. Orville Langdeau mentioned some of the law and order problems in Lower Brule, that it

is difficult to reach an officer by phone because noone answers the phone, that it was the understanding of the council that Mr. Alex Joseph was to be a jailer radio-operator, and it was mentioned that weekends are completely lawless, and it was told of drunken fights which are commonplace. Mr. Venji said that he was sorry to hear this, that there is no man who has given more of his own time than Mr. Garreau has and that he has been a top-notch law enforcement officer and has done a terrific job, and he mentioned that he has been made a captain. The chairman agreed that he was well satisfied with Mr. Garreau. Mr. Venji said that our officers on this side are Mr. Garreau, and Melvin Joseph and that Alex Joseph is hired on Buy-Indian Contract. He mentioned that we have taken over part of law and order and that the Bureau has given the opportunity to take over the whole Law and Order Department and they are anxious to see that happen; however, it would be up to the tribe whether they want to do this or not. Mr. Venji said that he will be leaving soon, and that the tribes will probably be asked whether they want another special officer or if they would rather use the funds for more police officers on the reservations, and Mr. Venji left the meeting for Deadwood.

Mr. Adams mentioned that in other city police systems, the police chief must answer to the mayor or town council and this would provide better law enforcement if this were true on the reservation and they had to answer to the council. Mr. Bob Miller said that the judges are eligible for training at Vermillion, and there is a program to train judges and J.P.'s at the university and there are three sessions of about three days each. Mr. Clarence Thompson asked about controlling the hunting on deeded land within the reservation, and that our attorney had advised us to stay away from the deeded land, that we wouldn't have jurisdiction, but we could check them out on the public road when they try to leave, but if they can get off the deeded land without going through tribal land then we would have a problem. Mr. Robert Miller said that we should probably get a ruling on this from the Attorney General; Mr. Fredenberg suggested getting the opinion from Mr. Wally Dunker, the solicitor. Mr. Adams said in Arizona the state enforces state law right on the Navaho reservation and if you are an Indian, you need only a tribal license. If you are non-Indian, you better have both. Mr. Clarence Thompson told of some of the problems we have with hunters, and Mr. Fredenberg suggested that we station game wardens at the access roads on the reservation boundary rather than to try to patrol all the roads. Mr. Adams said there are fourteen programs for which they can give grants: 1) correction equipment money (recreation equipment or jail equipment), 2) police equipment money, 3) court money (law books, judges robes, etc.), 4) Youth Education Programs (\$1,000 for each grant for instructing youngsters in regard to the law), 5) data collection (record keeping methods, and making a survey of the court records); 6) Training correction people, probationaand parole officers or jailers, and there are others which he didn't enumerate. He said they were working up some applications for projects, and one is a project to come up with a court procedural manual and research the laws. The Indian Court Judges Association is putting together a training session and will start a home study work study program whereby each judge would get a correspondence course. There will also be a school in Brookings in January and February for game wardens. Pine Ridge is planning on sending 20 and Rosebud will have 10 for this school. They said they would send us some discretionary grant application forms, and would be glad to assist us.

(2)

BUREAU BUDGET PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING - Mr. Williams and Mr. Herrington said that they need to get the tribe involved in the program planning and need to know what programs the tribe would like to place more emphasis on, and which programs less, and what the tribe would like to take over, which planning will be through 1977. Mr. Williams said for the education programming, they must figure the projected enrollments, salaries, etc.

(3)

HOME REPAIR - Mr. Tlustos said that for F.Y. 1970 there was \$40,000 for home repair for both reservations, \$25,000 for Fort Thompson because of their population and \$15,000 for over here. He said that they were cut for next year to \$35,000. A proposed resolution was read requesting that for F.Y. 1971 the funds be provided as a grant to be administered by the Tribe in accordance with the Criteria for Administration, to eliminate the need for vouchering it out and the amount of Lower Brule's share was discussed. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to adopt the proposed resolution with the amount being \$12,500. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and none against. Mr. Tlustos said that a cover letter should go in with this resolution indicating about how much we plan to spend in the different repair categories. Category I for minor repairs, Category II for bathroom additions and repairing homes to adequate standard and Category 5 for new homes. It was suggested that \$10,000 be budgeted in Category II and \$2500 for Category I. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to take care of the fringe areas and to spend the greater part of the money on bringing houses up to standard rather than minor repairs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for, one, Mrs. Gourneau absent. Mr. Abe Langdeau said that in regard to the programming of labor, it would be in such a way that would give a major skill rather than a semi-skill, that Mr. Skye is working on the funding, and the work would cover all phases of construction and all types of buildings regardless of the ownership of the building, and there will be no identification as to the ownership in determining the claims made. (Mr. Charles Langdeau arrived.)

(4)

PHIL BYRNES NOMINATING PETITION - Mr. Phil Byrnes came in and said that he was in the office and had been told there may be a discrepancy in his petition, that one of his signers had signed another petition, and he asked for time to get another signer. The election rules and regulations and tribal constitution were referred to, and Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to give him the privilege of getting another signer prior to midnight in accordance with the terms of the constitution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with four for and none against, Mrs. Grace Estes not voting.

(5)

CHANGES IN VOTING LISTS - Mr. Clarence Thomson made a motion that according to the terms of the constitution, we consider Mr. Lavern Reinhart as off-reservation and that his name be removed from the on-reservation to the off-reservation voting list. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. The residence of Shirley Stricker Blaine and Sylvia LaRoche was also discussed, and it was agreed that they should be considered off-reservation residents and their names should be moved to the off-reservation list.

(6)

APPROVAL OF OFF-RESERVATION CANDIDATES - The off-reservation candidates petitions were read and the candidates were Mrs. Barbara Jandreau McGhee, Mrs. Grace Estes, Mr. LaVern Reinhart, and Mr. Phil Byrnes who had one signer who had signed another petition. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve the three off-reservation petitions and to include Mr. Phil Byrnes providing his petition is in before midnight with a signer on the approved list who has not signed another petition, in accordance with Item 11 of the constitution which says they must be in within 30 days prior to the election. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with four for and Mrs. Grace Estes not voting.

(7)

APPROVAL OF ON-RESERVATION CANDIDATES -The Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Kay Gourneau, read the petitions of the candidates for Lower Brule District council, the candidates being Mrs. Cecelia Thompson, Mrs. Kay Gourneau, Mrs. Emma Bad Horse, Mr. Charles Langdeau, Mrs. Alfreda LeCompte, Mr. Sylvester LaRoche, Sr., Mr. Michael Jandreau, Mr. Andrew Estes, Mr. Richard Thompson, Sr., Mr. J. W. Thompson, Mr. Orville Langdeau, Mr. Jerauld Jandreau, Mrs. Maxine Grassrope, and Mr. Clarence Thompson. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve these nominating petitions for the fourteen on-reservation candidates. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for and none against. Mrs. Gourneau said that she would like to suggest that the names appear on the ballot in alphabetical order. Mrs. Estes suggested that it be explained on the ballot to vote for not more than six candidates of your choice.

(8)

SELECT ELECTION OFFICIALS - Mrs. Estes suggested that Mrs. Gladys Menzie from Fort Thompson, Mrs. Henrietta Good Face Adams from Fort Pierre and Everet DeWitt from Pierre be selected to serve as election officials for the off-reservation district, and the Lower Brule Tribal Office was selected as the polling place. As officials for the Lower Brule District, Mrs. Lucille Durkin was selected as teller, Mr. Clarence Thompson, Jr. as the clerk, and Mr. Richard LaRoche as the Judge, and the voting place was agreed upon at St. Mary's Hall. Mrs. Vera Gandt and Mrs. Helen Smith were selected as alternates in case some of these selected can't serve. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve of these election officials. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(9)

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS - The applications for educational grants were reviewed. Mr. Charles Langdeau made a motion to approve these. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

(10)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Clarence Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Grace Estes and carried with five for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on September 21, 1970.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPT: 25, 1970

A special meeting was held on Friday, September 25, 1970. A pre-final inspection of the Neighborhood Center was made and following the inspection, the meeting convened at the Tribal Office Building, with those present as follows:

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau

Mr. James Swenson, Planning Consultant
Mr. Keith Titus, Architect
Mr. Clarence Harrison, Rapid Plumbing
Mr. , Rapid Plumbing

The Chairman called the meeting to order and met privately with the council to discuss some of the items which need correcting on the Neighborhood Center. Then Mr. Titus and the others were called in. The chairman told them of some of the things discussed, and one of the main things was to fix the one corner so that the water will drain away from the building.

Mr. Titus read his punch list of items needing correction or completion as follows:

- 1) Electrical - fix the noisy relay for the gym lights.
- 2) Finish the electrical entrance. (Mr. Titus explained that the gym lights are mercury vapor lights and it takes them a few minutes to come to their full brightness.)
- 3) Mr. Titus said there is one light missing in the gym and they are going to hang it. There are some lenses broken and these replacements have been ordered and they will be replaced. Also, the state electrical inspector will make the final inspection on the electrical system.

Mr. Titus said that the Tribe should select a maintenance man to be trained to take over the building as there are some things that need to be gone over with this man. The chairman mentioned also that they had said the electrical boxes should be locked and he questioned this. Mr. Titus said that this was just for the time until they get it finished. He said that there are circuit breakers, and that the blower fans are designed to shut off in case of fire so that the fire won't spread.

- 4) On the plumbing, one of the urinals had a flaw and a new one has been ordered and will be in.
- 5) Mr. Titus said some of the roof vents have gravel in them and they are going to unblock these so that the building can breathe properly.
- 6) The big item on the outside is that all the control joints are not calked, and they have to be sealed and calked.

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- 7) A window door is needed on the kitchen so that the kitchen can be locked.
- 8) There are some ceramic tile to be finished. The outside corners in the shower rooms are missing. One of the ceramic bases under the lockers
- 9) One of the ceramic bases under the lockers needs to be fixed.
- 10) There are some thresholds to install in the baths between the tile and the ceramic.
- 11) There are several spots throughout the building where painting needs to be touched up. Also the front door and the door on the south have not had the exterior painting done.
- 12) The pan rack in the kitchen needs fixing.
- 13) They are to check on the curbs on the roof to check and make sure that they are all water tight.
- 14) The counter in the head start classroom - We have asked that the crack between the counter and the wall be sealed.
- 15) On one of the latches in the furnace room, a bolt is missing and has been ordered.
- 16) In the home management room, they have not painted the interior of the shelves and they are to be painted.
- 17) Also, the mechanical unit in the gym is to be painted.
- 18) A conduit in the kitchen is to be painted to match the wall.
- 19) They are also to check the base boards in all the rooms to make sure all the baseboards are fastened securely to the wall.
- 20) They will fix the drainage in the corner on the outside of the building.
- 21) The chairman asked about the gym vents, and said you could see a lot of light on that one, on the southeast. Mr. Titus said that they are power adjusted so that they will not flap in the wind, and maybe this one should be checked for adjustment, and to make sure it fits properly.

Mr. Clarence Thompson mentioned that the power poles on the outside of the building needed bracing and one is leaning. Mr. Titus said they would ask the power company to check on this.
- 22) Mr. Swenson said that the men's shower room fan does not go on. And in the women's shower room, when the fan comes on, the door opens.
- 23) Mr. Swenson said also that the pot and pan cabinet should be fastened down, anchored to the floor.

Mr. Titus stated he would furnish one sink in the kitchen, and it was suggested that it should be a three-compartment sink.

Mr. Swenson asked if there would be enough left in the contingency fund to provide for a scoreboard and a new stove and refrigerator. The installation of the scoreboard was discussed and a school supply catalog referred to, and it was agreed to have a scoreboard installed. The center of the gym on the south side was thought to be the best location with wires across the ceiling so that it could be operated from the bleachers.

The stove was discussed and it was thought a stove with burners, grill and fairly large oven would be needed. Also a hood should be provided over the stove, the exhaust fan being already in place.

It was mentioned also that to prevent dust from collecting, they would like to have doors for the kitchen cabinets, and this should come out of the contingency fund.

Mr. Titus said that there is a year's warranty on the building and two-years on the roof.

(Everyone was asked to leave so the council could discuss privately whether to take over the building and accept it or to wait until everything is completed. Everyone was called back in and the Chairman informed them that the council had discussed this, but felt they didn't want to take over until everything is complete and the state has given their approval on the electrical inspection.

Mr. Harrison said that would be ok, but they didn't want to go into a penalty for the range, scoreboard, refrigerator, and cupboard doors and sink, as these items were not in the plans.

The council agreed that the building was essentially complete and to waive the penalty clause; however, they did not want to take over the building or assume any responsibility for it until such time as the electrical work is finished and there has been a state electrical inspection. It was agreed that Rapid Plumbing would proceed with the completion of the items remaining, that they would order the additional equipment requested - the scoreboard, stove, refrigerator, sink and cupboard doors, and install these together with completing the items enumerated in the punch list, as rapidly as possible.

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Mr. Gross stated that at the present time there are 31 bills in congress that apply across the country to submarginal lands. He said that the National Council on Indian Opportunity came up with a project proposal and surprisingly enough it was funded. He said he would like to explain the project. In the two executive orders, there are 400,000 acres of submarginal land involved. ~~Two~~ of these parcels are on one reservation and the remaining are on 20 reservations, two in Oklahoma. So we set those two aside. If we are successful in this effort, we will come back to the two in Oklahoma. Two reservations have actually gotten title to their land. - The Seminoles in Florida and the Pueblos in New Mexico, which leaves 16 tribes. They are all in the same boat and have submarginal land and have not obtained title to them. The facts are different and the use of the land is different and we are interested in getting all these facts today and when we finish these visits, we will then have a two-day meeting on the 14th and 15th of August in Minneapolis, which is Saturday and Sunday. Each tribe is authorized to send two representatives to this meeting. I don't think we considered these Tribes as two separate tribes and I think we lumped them together, which would allow only one from each tribe. The congress (N.C.A.I.) is paying for the transportation of these men there. We went to sit down with them and consultants and after a two-day period, compare the legislative experiences they have had and get our strategy formulated to get it passed right away when the new congress convenes in January. I think it would be ~~impossible~~ impossible to get it through this term.

The other part of this is it is clear to me, we started with Stockridge Munsey and we are trying to do a similar job with each reservation. They have a map showing the land. It authorized the purchase of the land for the exclusive use of Indian Tribes. At Stockridge, Congressman Lair, whom they were depending on to put legislation through for them. He introduced the bill by request, which means he wasn't sponsoring it. So it didn't have a chance of getting through. There are ways to get hearings and ways to organize to bring pressure and once you get hearings, there are ways to get bills passed. I want to make it clear that I am not here representing the administration or the government. The admin. while they have funded this proposal, have not written any guidelines at all. It would be very premature if the Whitehouse would endorse anything before the Tribes came up with what they want to do. I think if they mean what they say about self-determination, and I brought a copy of the President's message last week, he comes out strongly for self-determination. If they mean that, I think it is time the tribes get together and come up with their program. That is what we have in mind.

The other thing that is interesting is that, in putting this up, and we were thinking of the legislative approach. The intent was that the title would go to the Interior Dept. and then transfer title to the Indian Tribes. It was questioned whether they couldn't assign title without congressional legislation and maybe ~~to~~ it could be done by executive order rather than going through congress. The administration suggested I look into that, which is a favorable sign. I would like to have any questions anybody would have.

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They have the total acreage figured. What they want to know is what kind of land it is, what use it is being put to, and what use it would be put to if the Tribe had title to it and what monies have been collected on it. They are trying to obtain title for all the tribes submarginal land. Title would be in the tribe in trust to the U.S.. It would then become like other tribal land.

Mr. Andrew Estes said that at one time we tried to do that but they knocked our ears back.

Mr. Cuny said that individually the Tribes have been unsuccessful in doing this, but that if all the 16 tribes got together, they could work out ways in which they could generate legislation and get congressmen to sponsor legislation to get this back to the tribes. With each others' backing, there would be a better chance of getting it back than if they do it individually.

In looking at the various 31 bills introduced, none were passed, but if it could be tied together in one bill, it could be passed. There are reservations involved in Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Montana, Idaho, and one small parcel in Oregon. Senators Mundt and McGovern both sponsored a bill in South Dakota and even a bill by Berry.

They would like to get information from each tribe so that we can prepare a brief and then ask the congressmen to support the legislation for all the tribes, rather than just the tribe in their state.

I don't want to make any false promises nor raise any false hope, as there probably will be political opposition, especially in the Dakotas, as ranchers have ~~opposed this legislation~~ a strong association and have opposed this legislation and blocked it in the past. However, I think we have strong legal factors in our favor and a more sympathetic congress than in the past.

The chairman asked what action the council should take. Mr. Gross said the only formal action required by the tribes would be to designate representatives for the meeting. The other thing, we need to sit down with a few of you who know and ask about the use of the land, the type of land, etc. Mr. Gross said they probably would like a resolution of support from each of the councils.

Mr. Skye suggested that the tribes should also know what they would do with the land after they get it.

Andrew suggested maybe we could write down all the different quarters and what is being done with it and prepare a justification.

Mr. Gross said at one time there were 37,232 acres in Hyde, Hughes, Stanley, Buffalo and Lyman Counties. Some of the land has been lost in recreation projects and some got lost in the dam projects. The Black Hills recreation projects, etc., so there has been some slippage, but most of it exists.

Mr. Joe Brewer said there is a little more than 32,000 acres on both reservations.

Mr. Gross said one thing we may not have made real clear is that we are not here to tell you we will get this land back for you. The purpose of this visit is to select two people to represent you in planning strategy and it will be what this group of 32 people in Minneapolis decide. We are just here to see if we can't get a coordinated effort

Andrew asked if the congressional delegates in Washington are aware of this. Mr. Gross said not yet. The only office that really knows about it is Senator Opie's in Wisconsin and the reason is that he is active in helping them in his state.

Mr. Skye: The submarginal land bill in Wisconsin was turned down because they didn't want the Minomees to form another reservation. They don't want the terminated reservations to come back if they get title to land.

Mr. Gross: There is a lot of pressure building up to reorganize the Minomee Tribe anyway. I am not worried about who we will offend by this legislation. I know there will be opposition but I think it is very clear that the Indian people want the land and we are here to see if we can't get it back for them.

Mr. Clarence Thompson said that we do have a land consolidation program which would justify this a lot. There is also concrete evidence for the need for more land.

Mr. Gross inquired as to the type of the submarginal land. Mr. Joe Brewer said that one of the restrictions on this land is that you cannot grow crops on it, that is why we cannot get the rental we should.

Mr. Gross said the funds under IPA were limited but they decided to continue the purchase of land by special acts, all of which were depression legislation, the settlement act, etc. And they had a lot of funds and purchased over 400,000 acres which were purchased solely for the intention of use by the Indian Tribes and this is repeated again and again. Yet very few of the Tribes actually ended up with the land. The two tribes who were successful, the Pueblos in New Mexico and the Seminoles in Florida, and how this passed was that the ranking congressmen were Haley of Florida and Morse of New Mexico and they sat down probably and said ok, you give me mine and I will give you yours. In doing that, they have established a precedent and they cannot deny that this was not the intent, because they have approved the precedent. It would be hard in the public light to give two tribes this and not the other tribes.

Mr. Gross: Jim Gamble personally has killed more favorable Indian legislation than any other man. He runs the Indian affairs subcommittee and he puts bills in his pocket and it is never heard from again. He sets up the hearings on bills and just never sets up the hearings. There are ways to expose this. He is just a staff man. The congressmen may change every two or four years. He is the director of the Indian Affairs subcommittee of the senate and he works for Senator Jackson. If your congressman is not doing a job for you, you can unseat him, but this man has stayed in there over the years, in spite of McGovern, and in spite of everybody. I think the tribes could call McGovern's attention to the fact that the committee is not doing what it should because they have a man hostile to Indians, and that is Gamble.

Mr. Pattee: I thought Senator Jackson was an Indian's man. I have heard him in some of his discussions talk up for us. I saw Gamble and know that you describe him well.

Mr. Gross: Mr. Jackson has been helpful to the tribes in his state of Washington. He has also been a terminationist and hasn't denied that to the Tribes he helps and he is in a position to be very helpful. I don't think it is good or favorable to make a judgment about a senator or congressman about whether he is good or bad, because they may be good one day and bad the next. As a matter of fact, a congressman may help the Indians one day and a rancher the next day, because they must stay in office. It is not important what they did three days ago, but what they do today. Jackson has done some very good things, and some bad things.

Mr. Gross told about the Taos tribe and the man standing in their way, Mr. _____? and he will tell of all the bills he has helped and worked in favor of the Indians. But Gamble is a different story. He could come up with bills on which he has done staff work, but whenever he is free to act as he pleases, he is harmful rather than helpful and I have said that to his face. What the public sees and what happens in congress is very different. The congressmen very seldom has time to study bills in detail and they usually rely on the Interior Committee staff, and all these staff members go to Gamble and his views are basically hostile and he says he hates Indians, and that is the man sitting in the senate writing Indian legislation. Some of these comments I made at N.C.A.I. last year got back to Jackson and they came in and told me that NCAI is hurting his image. I told him we wanted to make him unhappy. We discovered that when we routed something through Jackson's private office, we got results, but when it went through the committee, it was the same old story. We were talking about registration in South Dakota, and I think McGovern not elected by the Indian vote.

Mr. Clarence Skye: I think one of the things that is most important is that we went to McGovern's office and got to testify against some of these bills. I think NCAI would be more effective if they had the bribes in to testify against them.

Mr. Gross: I must make it clear that I am no longer affiliated with NCAI. I agree it would be more effective, but they have no legislative committee right now. NCAI has limited funds with which to bring in delegations, because you need tax exempt funds, and cannot use any foundation money. I think there is a real need for ~~Indian~~ an Indian National Legislative Program. I have a program, but we ~~xxxx~~ will not know whether it is getting funded or not.

Mr. Gross: Mr. Chairman, at your discretion, we can operate full scale or sit down and go over the land. Mr. Pattee asked for views from the others.

Mr. Pattee asked who Mr. Gross represents. He said it is funded by the National Council on Indian Opportunity in the Vice-President's Office. The council consists of six Indians who are national Indian figures and six agency heads of the various agencies of the government, like the Secretary of the Interior, and other agencies which have Indian programs and it is chaired by the Vice President of the U.S.. The council has been most effective in creating that ~~xxxxxxx~~ message the president issued last week. The president is dependent on the Vice President, who is dependent on the council.

I got into the Indian business through Senator Morse, and at any rate, I am delighted with the presidential message. It is stronger than I had hoped for and I know some of the Indian legal trust authority, there was a fight with the Justice Department and in this instance, the Justice Dept. lost. As you know, many of the trust claims, the protected legal claims for Indian lands are handled by the solicitor's office. That is a peculiar trustee as he also represents the Bureau of Reclamation, the Bureau of Land Management, the Park Service, and as these agencies are usually at odds with the Indians, there is a conflict. The Justice Department also has been ineffective in guarding the Indian claim and mineral rights and what they propose to do is set up a separate office of three appointed by the President - two Indians and one non-Indian and they would hire the staff and they would have the right to look at any Indian Claim of abuse of water rights and if the department would ~~xxxxxxx~~ what the council thought proper, they would have the right to take action. Also, if the Tribe thought its trust had been breeched, the Tribe could sue the United States. This hasn't been passed yet, and it hasn't been introduced yet and probably won't come up till January. The Justice Department is still fighting this.

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Mr. Clarence Skye: Isn't the Bureau supposed to do this?

Mr. Gross: The Bureau is a minor office in the Interior Department. What the Bureau will do is request a report. The Bureau doesn't make reports. The Interior Department makes the reports. If there is no conflict, the Interior will sign it. I witnessed one case where the B.I.A. were fighting very hard to protect Indian water rights and the reclamation people were fighting to steal the water, and the reclamation people as usual won. The thing about it is that when the report hits the congress, there is no dissent shown. The only report that comes out is from the Interior Department. There is another proposal where they want to elevate the B.I.A. to an assistant Secretary so that hopefully the Interior Department people working on Indian Legislation will be people oriented rather than the people in land management.

Mr. Carl Smith said that the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation have projects but not on trust lands, because the state can't take over.

It was also mentioned that Johnson O'Malley funds, which are administered through the state, are often misused and the county will accept the money for Indian children but do nothing to encourage them to stay in school.

Mr. Clarence Skye said this is also true on State Camps. They are requesting the reservation be put on this committee but in these five regions, they are included and included in the proposals, but when they get funds for the proposals, Indians aren't included in the five regions.

Mr. Langdeau asked a question concerning the roll of the three man panel in cases of persons prospecting on the reservation.

Mr. Gross: We are talking about theory, but I would guess the thing you are talking about would be similar to Pyramid Lake where there is a conflict between the state and Indian rights. Actually there should be a law suit filed on behalf of the Indians to protect their water rights, but legislation is really very costly and the Tribe can't finance their own legislation. Under this new three-man panel, they would finance the litigation or provide legal counsel.

Mr. Gross: I don't think they quite faced up in this message to the question, that if they really believe in self-determination and that all federal assistance come directly to the Tribes, rather than through the state government, then he should say that. He does say they should manage these programs which go directly from the government. Those chanelled through the state continue in this way unless turned over to the tribes by mutual consent, but he is unwilling to divest Indian programs from the state governments.

Mr. Skye gave the example of Law and Order money coming to the states through the government. These programs are supposed to assist tribes on the reservations. The state has taken the money from the Federal government, but the tribes have not seen any of it. Pine Ridge was turned down on their program, and Mr. Estes mentioned also that we have had a program in for some time which has not been funded.

Mr. Pattee: I would like to say, this was announced only a few days ago. Some of the comments I have heard say this is an appeal to a group of people when the administration is in need of something to bolster a faltering regime. Somehow or another, just saying this, doesn't mean that it will ever take place.

Mr. Gross: That is right. I don't work for the administration and I am too controversial politically. Because there are a lot of things I don't like about their policy, but I do like their Indian Policy. President Johnson gave the first

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message concerning Indian people and set up the Indian council on National Opportunity. Now maybe each president will issue an Indian message. In regard to raising a faltering image, they are the inheritors of the termination policy. No matter what they say, they say they are against termination, and I think they are sincere. But I don't want the Tribes to say ok, we won't worry any more. But the administration realizes they have a credibility gap to overcome and they are going out of their way to overcome this. That is point one. Point two is that they are not in favor of the minority groups of this country. They can't get any black or Mexican-American votes. They may get some Indian votes now. I think they see the Indians as the least offensive group to help. They do want to improve their image in helping minority groups. At no point am I going to say you ought to support this administration. I think at this point they are sensitive to the ideas coming out of the Indian communities and I think the Indian tribes should take advantage of this and ride the horse as far as it goes. But I agree, this is only a speech. None of the legislation has been introduced yet, but he is now committed to introduce it.

Mr. Pattee: That is what I heard. He didn't commit himself.

Mr. Gross: No, but he can be held to account. There was a speech delivered by Becker to the NCAI and it was a good sounding speech and we saw our job in 1969 at NCAI that the toughest thing for us to do was to hold him to his speech and send copies of it to everybody. I think the same thing can be done with this and I think they are committed to elevate the BIA in the Interior Department.

Clarence Skye: I think the Republican national committee has helped us on our programs and this small group, and Sue Lalnange, have given us a lot of help in searching things out that have been hung up. I don't think he has done anything bad.

Mr. Gross: One of the things I see happening is that the Congress in the last few years have become more responsive to the needs of the Indian people, and Senator Kennedy's committee had a lot to do with this. Some who were terminationists have changed their opinions and are more responsive now that they have listened to Indians. With the Congress ready, the Indian people have an opportunity to present their case; however, if they don't present their case, it will fall apart in a few years. We gave them their chance, and they didn't present their ideas, so we will go ahead and do what we think best, the congress will say, but I think if a good program is presented, it will have a chance.

Mr. Gross explained what he was doing here, that the National Committee became aware of the problem with submarginal lands on the reservations, and at Rosebud there is some grazing land, some residential, some irrigation land, and some development land and a lot of range land. Mr. Joe Brewer said that here it is almost all grazing land and the BIA records would reflect ~~xxx~~ its use.

Mr. Gross asked what is the history. We have notice variations in the way the monies are handled.; ~~xxxxxxx~~that. Original it was put in escrow for the tribes, but not delivered to them but turned over to the treasury. I notice here that the money does go to the Tribe. When did this occur.

Joe: That is right. In 1962. Prior to that time it would have gone to the treasury. The tribe used to collect 50% and 50% went to the government.

Mr. Gross: Is the residential property being used now? Are there any houses on this land?

Joe Bruewer: The only one is the one of Buster's

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Carl Smith mentioned that ASC will not drill a well on submarginal land. If we could get title, we could drill wells on this land.

Gross: This would affect both farm land and residential property and for better grazing. He asked when was the last attempt made to get legislation passed.

Andrew and Joe Brewer replied that Attorney Sonosky had tried right after the Big Bend Taking. Carl Smith mentioned that before this Senator Francis Case of South Dakota attempted to get legislation passed, but there was never a hearing on that bill.

Mr. Gross: What other advantages would occur other than artesian wells.
Clarence Skye: More Indian operators and more homesites.

Mr. Gross asked how we would get more Indian cattle operators. Clarence said that by getting the submarginal land together we could get a blocked area which could be put into a cow grazing unit.

Mr. Brewer mentioned it would increase the tribal assets.

Mr. Gross asked if there were any plans for economic development that would increase.

Clarence said there was a possibility of developing recreational areas along the Big Bend Reservoir. Mr. Brewer said there are about 800 acres along the Big Bend area which will probably go to the B.O.R. unless the Tribes can control it. It would be ideal land and several Indian operators could be set up. Mr. Skye ~~xxx~~ mentioned the possibility of business operations, such as bait shops, along the river.

Mr. Gross asked why this wouldn't be possible with a revokable permit

Joe: You wouldn't have anything with a revokable permit and it is not very good security. Also, it is subject to the possibility of being taken over by the B.O.R.

Mr. McGee asked about that submarginal land taken by the Corps. It was ^a real choice piece of land west of the airport. It was government submarginal land right along the river and the council never released it or anything. It was just transferred. Mr. Clarence Skye said also that the Corps is thinking of taking another 100 feet all along the river and some of this land would be lost again.

Mr. Gross said they were trying to get a case file on each reservation. They want copies of the revokable permit and whatever legislative attempts have been made, and copies of any bills introduced and reports on the land, and financial reports showing the amount of money collected and turned to the treasury. We are finding that the government has received back more ~~xxx~~ money than they ever paid for the land and still the land was never turned back.

Mr. Gross thanked the chairman for having them and said they would like to know who the two delegates selected are. He said he would be back in Washington next week. Mr. Pattee said he could only say that he has never seen anything so well presented and clearly stated and there was much that he didn't know, and he did appreciate what Mr. Gross has done. He said that before long we will know who we will appoint.

Mr. Clarence Skye suggested also that Mr. Jim Wilson in Washington be contacted to see if they could pay for O.F.O. personnel working for the council to attend this meeting. Mr. Gross said if others want to attend the meeting at their own expense this would be fine, but they can only provide funds for two.

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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BUREAU SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 30, 1970

A special meeting was held concerning Law and Order on Wednesday morning, September 30, 1970, with those present as follows:

<u>Councilmen present</u>	<u>Others</u>
Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	
Clarence Thompson	Mr. O. Venji
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mr. Ellsworth Garreau
Mr. J. W. Thompson	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain.

The Chairman said that our main problem is the Law and Order and that we are getting a man transferred and we may need a resolution. Mr. Venji said there is a freeze of all funds, that we have an application from Robert Ducheneaux, but that we can't get any action on the application because of the new policy that the Tribe has to have the change to accept or reject the Buy-Indian Program. If the Tribe wants to take over administration of law and order and hire the police, they can take that over and can do this without much fanfair, with just a resolution. On the other hand, if you don't want to, we have to have a statement from some official of the council that it is the consensus of the council that you want administration to remain with the Bureau. As soon as we get this resolution or statement, then if you want the Bureau to continue to hire officers, this would release them from this freeze. If you want to take over, you can do this by resolution and then hire the people you want within the positions set up.

This is not definite, but it looks like Melvin Joseph will be going across to Fort Thompson as he seems unhappy over here and we would be in favor of letting him move. Regardless of whether law and order remains with the Bureau, it will be independent of Fort Thompson. The officer here, Mr. Garreau, would make his report directly to Pierre rather than going through Cruse. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he thought that two policemen, if they didn't have to go back over to Fort Thompson, should be able to handle this here and we should get along ok. Mr. Orville Langdeau agreed and that we could have game wardens to handle the outside areas. Mr. Venji said that maybe the tours could be set up a little differently so that the officers would be present during the peak times needed, but each officer gets two days off a week and this creates a gap. We have tried to get over this gap by hiring tribal police, and there has been some talk that Alex Joseph was spending too much time as a police officer and that there should be someone here by the phone. Mr. Orville Langdeau said that he had tried several times to contact the police by phone for other people who had come to him, but was unable to contact anyone.

Mr. J. W. Thompson said if we take over, is there going to be any allowance for clerical help? Mr. Venji said probably one percent. Mr. Thompson said this does place a load on the office staff here if we continue to take over all these Buy Indian Act Contracts. He said also, if we don't have anything to do with Fort Thompson, maybe we should do something about a jail. Mr. Venji said that would be hard to get through, because in Washington they don't like jails and want to do away with all of them, which is hard for me as an old law officer to understand. Mr. Venji said a lot of places don't have jails big enough and they take their prisoners to the county jails. He said they have asked if jails have helped and we have to say no, that it doesn't change anyone; but all we can do is arrest someone. If they want a social worker, they will have to hire one. Mr. Garreau said that right now we are going to have to have another police position established to have twenty-four hour coverage.

Mr. J. W. Thompson said he was reluctant to go into Buy Indian because he didn't know how it is to operate, who are they immediately responsible to, who is to be their supervisor, and how much more clerical help is involved. Also, maybe they just want the tribes to take over so they can terminate us. Mr. Garreau said they could give a lot better coverage if there were another position.

Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to adopt a resolution to request funds for some temporary game wardens and an additional permanent police officer position in addition to the existing staff, and to send a letter to the Area Director immediately as we are going to need the game wardens right away. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with three for and none against.

Mr. Venji said they will also want to know whether these positions are to be Buy-Indian or Bureau, and that if you do come to the conclusion that you are going to continue the way you are, you can change at anytime by resolution.

Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution stating that we wish to leave the Law and Order Department with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the time being until we have had more time to consider this matter.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

Mr. Venji said that he has enjoyed working with this tribe and thanked them for the cooperation he has always received in the past and said that he thought Lower Brule was the comingest bunch he has seen yet, ahead of all the reservations.

(2)

Misc. - The Chairman said there would be an Inter-Agency meeting in Pickstown on October 8, 1970. A letter was read from Mr. Riehle informing of a Educational TV Program on Cattle Feeders. A letter from Mr. Ken Ross was read telling of an educational meeting in Pierre on Friday. A letter was read from McGovern replying to our letter asking for support of the Grassrope Irrigation Project, and he indicated he would be in favor of the project and support it when it comes to Congress. A letter was read in part, which enclosed some forms to be filled out concerning the Omnibus Crime Control Bill. The Chairman informed the

Council of the meeting they had attended at Rapid City and the discussion on the President's Congressional Message and he encouraged all the councilmen to read this message. Mrs. Joyce Estes informed the council of the classes on Indian Psychology sponsored by the University of South Dakota, that it will be a fourteen weeks course for regular college credit held here at St. Mary's Hall on Tuesday evenings. A letter was read from Mr. Harold Schunk, who has been newly appointed to the Vice-President's Council on Indian Opportunity and offering to meet with the Council.

(3)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on September 30, 1970.



John Mousseau, Recording Secretary

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 7, 1970

A regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Office on October 7, 1970, and was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

Present

Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman
Mr. Clarence Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Orville Langdeau
Mrs. Kay Gourneau
Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mrs. Grace Estes (arrived late because of bad roads)

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

APPROVE GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICE - Attorney Larson's monthly invoice was circulated to the council members for their review. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve this invoice for payment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with five for, none against, Grace absent.

(2)

CHALOMAR SETTLEMENT - A letter was read from Attorney Larson stating that Chalomar had agreed not to contest paying the balance of the settlement and that we should be receiving a check shortly.

(3)

IRON NATION CORP. LEASE - A proposed lease agreement between the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and the Iron Nation Corp. for the use of the electronic plant building was circulated to the council members for their review. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve this lease. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and none against.

(4)

TRAINING FOR GAME WARDENS - A memo was read from Mr. Joe Schneider of the Game Fish and Parks Dept., telling of a two weeks training course to be offered at the South Dakota State University at Brookings, which will start Feb. 8th and end Feb. 20th, and will provide game warden training. This was tabled until 1:00 when Mr. Schneider was expected to be here.

(5)

ENROLLMENT - A request for enrollment and birth certificate were received for Lisa Renae Grassrope, daughter of Altwain and Shirley Grassrope. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to approve her enrollment. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and none against. (Mrs. Grace Estes arrived late because of the snow and bad roads.)

(6)

COMING MEETINGS- The chairman read a letter from Mr. Ken Ross informing the council of a meeting to be held in Aberdeen on this Thursday and Friday concerning the administration of the Johnson O'Malley education funds. A letter was read from Mr. Keller concerning a proposed area law and order meeting to be held in Aberdeen and requesting suggestions from the tribal councils as to developing an agenda for the meeting, the exact date of which will be set later.

(7)

INVITATION TO GRAND OPENING - A letter was read from the President of Sioux Industries, Inc., inviting the council to the official grand opening to be held at this Fort Thompson Industry on October 15th at 10:00 a.m.

(8)

WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS - Migratory waterfowl hunting was discussed and this was tabled until Mr. Joe Brewer would arrive.

(9)

HEALTH SERVICES FOR OFF-RESERVATION INDIANS - Mrs. Grace Estes presented a proposed resolution which was read requesting that the Public Health Service provide health services and care for Indians living off the reservation, especially in such places where there are large Indian groups residing, which resolution is also being supported by the United Sioux Tribes and requesting support from the National Congress of American Indians. Mrs. Estes made a motion to support this resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with six for and none against.

(The meeting recessed for lunch, and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.)

(10)

HUNTING LEASES - The chairman told Mr. Brewer that on migratory waterfowl, the tribe discussed whether the tribe should control the hunting themselves or to charge extra for the hunting rights on leases of tribal land. Mr. Joe Brewer said that at Big Bend they agreed on \$1.00 an acre more for the hunting rights. Mr. J. W. Thompson said if we do make a lease with anyone we should include in the lease that anyone allowed to hunt on this land would have to have a tribal license.

(11)

ROADS - Mr. Charles Langdeau inquired if we had heard anything more about if they were going to fix our roads. This was discussed, Mr. Andrew Estes made a telephone call to the Aberdeen Office, and reported that the council could meet with Mr. Storley from the road department tomorrow afternoon at 3:00 when we are in Aberdeen, and he asked the council to all come.

(12)

PIERRE SCHOOL - Mr. Vance, Principal of the Pierre School, said he had three things he wanted to discuss with the council. The first is the Title I Cottage Project which we have discussed before and had decided to hold in abeyance. He said that at this point it does not seem feasible to proceed with the project, and that Aberdeen would like to know so that the \$24,000 could be used somewhere else, and that this will not affect the \$18,000 from Luthern Social Services as this will still be available for this or some other project when we need it. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to go

along with this recommendation and to release the \$24,000 to be used where it is needed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

Mr. Vance said the second thing he wanted to discuss was our other Title I Project presently in operation and he reviewed with the council the positions that were advertised, the applications for these positions, and the selections made. He also informed the council of another position which will be advertised soon, and that is for a leisure-time aid, which would be for about 20 hours a week, it would be from Friday evening through Sunday, and whoever selected would board at the dormitory and work with the kids on weekends.

Mr. Vance said the third thing he wanted to discuss is the regular program at the Pierre School and he reviewed with the council the trend toward a declining enrollment, that the enrollment has dropped to 145 students, and it appears it will continue to decline each year. Because of this drop in enrollment, the Area began this summer to freeze all vacancies, which means that when someone retired or transferred, the position would not be filled, so that there would not be a surplus of people there. He said they are now working on the long range planning and budgeting, that they can request funds only on the basis of enrollment, that to provide 24 hour coverage seven days a week is an expensive operation, and it may be about time for the tribes to make a determination as to whether they will have future demand of the Pierre Boarding School as a school or if they would like to project something else for the use of these facilities, and that it is not too early to be thinking of this and making your wishes known. The council also discussed with Mr. Vance other matters concerning the operation of the Pierre School and Mr. Vance told that a number of employees have a feeling that their hands are tied more and more by regulations of parents and tribal groups against discipline and the regulations are quite clear and quite rigid. Anytime they get a rumor of discipline being taken against a student, an investigation is made and usually some disciplinary action is taken against the employee. It has some employees scared off so that they will do less and less. He said he was not condoning drastic beatings or anything of the sort, but they do need approval from the councils and parents to discipline when needed as they are trying to run a school but it is difficult when you can't keep a child in the classroom, etc. He invited the council members to visit the school individually or as a group, and thanked Mrs. Grace Estes for the help she has given them.

(13)

WELL AT THE GIFFORD RANCH - Mr. Karlan said that on that well at the Gifford place, the pump had burned up and that he got a new pump, but it still wouldn't pump enough water out of there. He said if the council would consider drilling another well down in the draw, that he would pay another \$200 a year on the lease, that would be if it would be a flowing well. The chairman said first that someone should come out and check the other well to see if it can be repaired.

(14)

ROADS - Mr. Karlan said that there would be a meeting of the state highway commission on the 19th at Rapid City at the Dakota-Montana Utilities Building and he asked if some members from the council could attend and see if they couldn't get the state to do some work on this west road. The chairman said he and some council members would attend.

(15)

MACHINE SHOP - Mr. Abe Langdeau discussed with the council his plan for starting a business here in Lower Brule, a machine shop, and that it would provide year round employment and training for several men. He said this is a field in which he has worked for many years and it would be involved in production of replacement of stamping die products. He said he was applying for support through the Indian Business Grant fund and in addition to this, would need an additional loan of \$7500. The biggest expense in starting the operation would be the construction of a building and the possibility of using the old tribal hall basement temporarily was discussed. Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to give Mr. Langdeau some consideration. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with five for, none against, Mrs. Grace Estes absent.

(16)

BUREAU BUDGET PLANNING HOUSING - Mr. Tlustos said they are working on the long range planning report and that they are given a population figure which they must use and project according to instructions, and the instructions say each year the population is going to decrease. This will make the report look like we won't need any more houses, but the only thing he could do was to follow the instructions and try to explain in the narrative. Mr. Tlustos said that in regard to the house for Jim Yellow, Public Health is asking him to change his location as, although they have not tested for water, they don't think they can get water on his present location. The date of Monday morning was set to go up and meet with Mr. Yellow concerning this.

(17)

EAGLE BUTTE TRIBAL INAUGURATION - A letter was read inviting the chairman and council to attend a pow-wow and inauguration of the Cheyenne River Tribal Council to be held at Eagle Butte, Saturday, October 10th.

(18)

BUSINESS LOAN APPLICATION - Mr. George McKay reviewed with the council the business loan application of Richard LaRoche, which is for a commercial art operation. He is asking for a grant from the Indian Business Development fund and will still need an additional \$2100 which he would like to borrow from the tribal business loan fund. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to consider his loan. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(19)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER GRANT - The chairman read a telegram stating that our amendatory grant application for the Neighborhood Center has been approved for the final amount needed for our neighborhood center.

(20)

LAND PURCHASE FUNDS - Mr. McKay reported that the tribe's application for a loan of U.S. Treasury funds for purchasing land has been approved.

(21)

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - A representative from the Rapid Plumbing Company turned the keys to the Neighborhood Center over to the Tribe as the building is now ready for use.

(22)

APPROVE EDUCATIONAL GRANT - An application for a high school educational grant was reviewed. Mrs. Grace Estes made a motion to approve this grant. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(23)

INDIAN PSYCHOLOGY COURSE - Mrs. Kay Gournau informed the council of an Indian culture and psychology course which is being offered here at Lower Brule, St. Mary's Hall, on Tuesday evenings. It is an extension course from the University of S. Dak., Vermillion, being offered for regular college credit.

(24)

GOVERNOR'S MEETING ON DRUG ABUSE - Mr. Clarence Thompson reported on the governor's conference on drug abuse which he attended at Pierre at which Mr. Linkletter was one of the key speakers. At this meeting the danger of using drugs was brought out and that anyone who can break the habit is one of the lucky few and that use of drugs will lead to death, one way or another. It was brought out at this meeting that drugs are all over South Dakota, and Mr. Clarence Thompson said that the council should go ahead and work towards the prevention and fighting of drugs. The Chairman agreed and said that all summer he has been working with the kids and trying to keep them occupied and off the streets.

(25)

HUNTING REGULATIONS - Migratory waterfowl hunting regulations were discussed and Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he would be willing to lease the tribal land in his unit for \$1.00 an acre additional, and if he were to act as tribal game warden and sell goose stamps for that area, he would do it the same as last year, for half of the license fee on those permits he sold. After some further discussion, Mr. J. W. Thompson made a motion to go ahead and lease the hunting rights on tribal land to those who already have the lease for \$1.00 an acre additional, to allow goose hunting, and that they will have to come to the tribal office for their permits. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

(26)

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. J. W. Thompson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Charles Langdeau and carried with six for and none against.

CERTIFICATION

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Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary

HUNTING REGULATIONS - Mr. Clarence Thompson said that goose and duck hunting season opened the 3rd and that something needs to be settled between the lessee on tribal land and what will be done, as last year he was selling tribal permits and sending hunters down to some tribal land and the lessee was keeping them out, and that signs were hung saying that permission was needed from the lessee to go into a field. Charles Langdeau said that we could settle the problem like we did antelope and deer and just close all hunting. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that would be cutting our own throats because there is money in this and they do get money from the white hunters. Mr. Orville Langdeau stated that his only interest is in the tribal land that individual people are prospering off of. Mr. Clarence Thompson said the tribe could do what they want with tribal land, but to let the individuals who own land do what they want with their land. Mr. Orville Langdeau said if there is a tribal tract in the fly away with the individuals land, then they should pay a little more lease to the tribe for the use of that tract for hunting. Mr. J. W. Thompson said that in the past, the money taken in on hunting was all spent for policing, and maybe in the long run it would be better to sell the rights to individuals and let them do their own policing. Mr. Orville Langdeau said then you are back to the same thing. You are either going to manage it or we are not, and that I think we should first agree whether the tribe is going to take over the management or not and go from there. Mr. J. W. Thompson mentioned that Mr. Wilbur Thompson has a lease of some land down there and he paid extra for the hunting rights so that he could control it. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he charged \$10 a gun per day for people to hunt on his land. [It was suggested that this be tabled until Joe Brewer arrives to determine what is the standard additional rental charged to include hunting rights on land.] ...

The chairman explained the problem to Joe Brewer and he said the standard agreed on at Big Bend was an additional \$1.00 an acre more for the hunting rights. Mrs. Estes said she thought the feeling was that the tribe should get a little something out of this hunting, maybe like Joe said the extra lease. Charles Langdeau, and then you would police it yourselves.

Mr. Clarence Thompson said the tribe could either give him a straight salary for game warden duties, or else give him half of the tribal license fees which he sells. Mr. Charles Langdeau said that if he was going to rent the land for a hunting enterprise and manage it himself, he didn't see why the tribe should pay him. Mr. Clarence Thompson said that if he is selling tribal licenses, they get him up early in the morning and he doesn't lease all the ground, there is Lawrence's and Wilbur's place which he would be policing for nothing. ...

Hunting regulations were discussed again and Mr. Clarence Thompson said that he would be willing to lease the tribal land in his unit for \$1.00 an acre additional, and if he were to act as tribal game warden and sell goose stamps for that area, he would do it the same as last year, for half of ~~that he sold~~.

After some further discussion, Mr. J. W. Thompson said that he thought if the tribe leased a man a hunting area, he would have to manage it himself. He made a motion, ~~to go ahead and~~ allow goose hunting this year, to go ahead and lease ^{those tribal} pieces to those who already have a lease for an additional \$1.00 an acre, and that ~~the lessee would be~~ required all hunters would be required to have a tribal licence and they will just have to come to the tribal office for their permits. The motion was seconded by Chas Lang. and carried with six for.

GRAZING LEASE

Sealed bids will be received by the Lower Brule Tribe, Lower Brule, South Dakota, until 1:00 p.m. C.S.T., March 18, 1970, for a five-year grazing lease beginning May 1, 1970, on 8,446 acre fenced and watered range unit complete with headquarters, on a price per cow unit basis. Carrying capacity is 422 cow units yearlong; 644 for 6 months or 753 for 5 months. Yearlings equal 75% of a cow unit.

Inquire at the Tribal Office, Lower Brule, S. Dak., 57548, or the Pierre Agency, P.O. Box 640, Pierre, S.Dak. 57501.

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 16, 1970

A special meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Lower Brule Tribal Office on the afternoon of October 16th, and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Andrew R. Estes, with roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mr. Andrew R. Estes, Chairman	Mr. J. W. Thompson
Mr. Clarence Thompson	Mr. Charles Langdeau
Mr. Orville Langdeau	Mrs. Grace Estes
Mrs. Kay Gourneau	

The meeting was opened with the Lord's Prayer led by the Chaplain, Mr. Orville Langdeau.

(1)

CORRECTIONS TO VOTING LISTS - The chairman stated the main purpose of this meeting was to settle any complaints or questions of people in regard to their residence, whether they would vote on or off-reservation. Mr. Marvin D. LaRoche came in and said that he has been up to Bill's for the past year and that he should be on the on-reservation list. Mrs. Kay Gourneau made a motion to place Marvin on the voting list as on the reservation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against. The list of eligible voters whose residency was in question was read. Mr. Orville Langdeau made a motion to place these nine people on the list for on-reservation residents, except for Shirley Stricker Blaine, who has signed a nominating petition supporting an off-reservation candidate, and except for Elizabeth Big Eagle Track who has called in requesting that she be mailed an off-reservation ballot. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kay Gourneau and carried with three for and none against.

(2)

LAND PURCHASE LOAN. - Mr. McKay brought some papers in which need to be signed by the Chairman and Secretary in regard to the loan, and stated that although we had requested 3% interest, it appears that 5% will be charged. He said that they would like a request asking that the first \$100,000 be forwarded to the tribe. Also, the land purchased will not be mortgaged, but they would like to have the tribe assign income from tribal land sufficient to make the annual payments, and that the tribe needs to decide which lands to assign. A meeting was scheduled for October 28th to decide on the land, at 1:00 p.m.

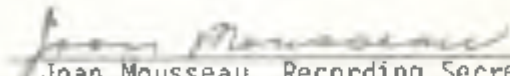
(3)

GAME WARDEN TRAINING - Mr. Joe Schneider, from the Game, Fish and Parks Dept. gave the council a copy of the Reservation Ranger Training course which would be offered through the South Dakota State University, at a cost of \$129.75 per man, and that they are trying to get a source of funding for this, possibly through CAMPS. He also told of the Ranger Corps program on the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations, which are very good programs and would provide employment for men who have this training. Mr. Clarence Thompson made a motion to show

interest in this training program and to check into it to see if there is some funding available for it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Orville Langdeau and carried with three for and none against.

(4)

ADJOURNMENT - Mrs. Kay Gourneau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clarence Thompson and carried with three for and none against.


Joan Mousseau, Recording Secretary