

## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order at 3 o'clock p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche. Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt. at Arms	Leslie Langdeau
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
Emma Bad Horse	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non member)	

The minutes of the regular meeting convened on December 5, 1951, were read. Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to adopt these minutes as read, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for -- none against.

Mr. Adams, Extension Agent, advised that he had received reports that Tony Goodlow had not been taking care of his cattle. The Chairman asked that Mr. Adams state where he had received these reports. Mr. Adams stated that Harvey Cable, a white operator, whose pasture joins Mr. Goodlow's pasture had been one of the parties who had reported. Mrs. Spotted Hawk, grandmother of Mr. Goodlow, said that Tony had moved up to Iron Nation now to take care of his cattle. She said that someone had cut the wires on his fence three times which showed that someone is deliberately trying to hinder Tony in taking care of his cattle. The point was made that the complaint was that these cattle were without feed and water, rather than that the fence was cut. Mr. LaRoche said he had talked to Tony, and he had been told that Tony had hay for the cattle but could not get into the pasture on account of the snow.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk accused Mrs. Bad Horse of reporting Tony. She said Mrs. Bad Horse should uphold the Iron Nation District instead of reporting these things. Mrs. Spotted Hawk said she knew of instances when Mrs. Bad Horse's son, Harry, was not home taking care of his cattle. Mrs. Bad Horse said she was worried about Tony's cattle because there was no one looking after them. She said further that when Harry was not home, his father took care of his cattle. Mrs. Bad Horse stated that Tony's hay was all gone before the snow came. Mrs. Spotted Hawk said Tony could sell some heifer calves to purchase feed, but Mr. LaRoche stated that we could not allow anyone to sell heifer calves during their first year in the cattle business. He said as it is, Tony has only had these cattle to care for since the first of June.

Mr. LaRoche said also that Tony still has not paid his leases, and he has not made good the check he paid to the Enterprise. He said Mr. Kenneth Miller had requested a refund on lease rentals he had paid for Tony last year because he did not get any use of Tony's pasture.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said the Tribal Council is responsible for loaning out these cattle, and when an individual is issued cattle, he should make every effort to see that they are provided with feed and water.

It was decided that the Chairman, Mr. Eagle Thunder, and Mr. Adams would check on all the cattle operators beginning tomorrow to see what condition their cattle are in. Mr. LaRoche stated that anyone on the

borderline would be given a fair hearing. However, he said if it was a question of losing the cattle by a 30-day wait, then something would have to be done right away.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk said it is prejudice that makes everything the way it is. She said Tony is not given a fair chance to get started, and her land and hay was taken away from her without notice. She said she was not even notified when the land was advertised. She said that the office allowed a white man sell all the hay from her sister's land.

Mr. LaRoche made a brief report on the Enterprise. He said the cattle had not been on any feed until about five days ago because they could not get to the stacks and the equipment was broke down. He said they are feeding cake and hay. He advised that it was necessary to hire two bulldozers since the Agency equipment was in repair. He stated that the pay for this work would be approximately \$2500.00. The price per hour was \$13.00 for each bulldozer. He said it took them 24 hours to clear 5 miles from Reliance.

Mr. LaRoche also advised that he had ordered a rotary snow plow for the big tractor. He said the pay for the bulldozers and this snow plow would have to be paid for by the Enterprise. He advised that because of the tendency of the Government to withdraw from Lower Brule, the members should give consideration to the purchase of a good caterpillar and a bulldozer. The Chairman mentioned one instance where it took six cars and shovelers to get one sick baby to the hospital in Chamberlain.

Two letters were read to the Council. The first letter, dated December 20, 1951, from the Area Director to the Tribe referred to the second letter or memorandum from Mr. Holmes, Area Counsel which was dated December 14, 1951. Both were relative to a proposed attorney contract between the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and Mr. M. C. Sharpe. Mr. Holmes stated that any percentage fee in this contract would be very difficult since the legal services required in this case do not concern a matter about which recovery is in doubt. He expressed his willingness to meet with the Tribe or Mr. Sharpe.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to have Mr. Holmes, Area Counsel, meet with the Tribal Council at the earliest possible date. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

The Chairman advised that if Mr. Holmes could come during this month, he would call a special meeting if roads and weather would permit.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to transfer our 1950 Relief Fund from the Enterprise Account at the Crow Creek Agency to the Treasurer of the Tribe for deposit in the Farmers and Merchants Bank in Presho, South Dakota. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that when the last delegation from Lower Brule was in Washington, D. C., they were promised that the commissary building would be turned over to the Tribe to be used as an office building. He said he noticed now that the Government is cutting a door



in the side. He said Mr. Wheat, Mr. Allen, and another man were present when various tribal were being discussed in the Washington Office, and Mr. Wheat had promised that transfer of the ownership of that building would be completed. Mr. LaRoche said we have not received any letters back on this, but it had been the plan to turn commissary over to the Tribe. Mr. LaRoche said the reason for this was so that there would be room for more people to attend the Council meetings. Mr. McKee said this was the first he had heard of this, and when Mr. Erickson was here they had looked for a place to store the roads heavy equipment so that they would not freeze up. He said they had planned to make the door in the side today. Mr. McKee said he was sorry that the matter was not called to his attention earlier since it is the policy of the Superintendent and the office to cooperate with the Tribe wherever possible.

Mr. LaRoche said that during the time the Commissioner of Indian Affairs was in Fort Thompson, it was mentioned that the Crow Creek Council was requesting the transfer to them of income collected from submarginal lands prior to the handling of such income by the tribes. Mr. LaRoche stated that there are 34,291 acres on the Lower Brule Reservation, and the Lower Brule Tribe should be entitled to any money collected from these lands. Mr. McKee advised that he would check this matter and he would also see if a proposed bill has been prepared for Lower Brule whereby the submarginal lands within the reservation boundaries would be made a part of the reservation.

The Secretary advised that the estimated cost of printing the Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe together with the amendment would be \$65.00 for 500 copies. Mrs. Jandreau was requested to have the printing done.

There was a short discussion on the light plant which was to have been supplied at Lower Brule by the Government. In order that the Government comply with agreements, the members felt that if the present plant were moved to another location that the Government should furnish another plant in lieu of this one.

An application from Tony Goodlow for permission to trap 5 beavers on the Johnson place in Iron Nation was presented. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to approve this request, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder announced his intention of holding a district meeting at the Goodfacc home sometime in the near future at which time he would explain the progress Ralph N. Case has made.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund:

Emma Bad Horse; Days and mileage.....	\$20.00
Alice M. Jandreau; Notary bond, seal, and fees, and money order fees.....	\$17.54
	\$37.54

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder, Days and mileage.....	\$45.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Days.....	\$21.00
	\$66.00

Court Fund:

Marilyn Langdeau, 1 da. typing tribal code.....\$ 3.00

Rehab. (Rent) Fund:

Harry High Elk. Work on tribal buildings.....\$81.25

Motion to approve payment of the bills as presented by Mr. Eagle Thunder, seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Eagle Thunder, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

*Richard Labovitz, Jr.*

Richard Labovitz, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Alice H. Jandread*

Alice H. Jandread,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche, at 3 o'clock p.m.

Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	None
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms	<hr/> Others present: R. B. McKee,
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	Graham Holmes, and W. J. Adams.
Emma Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

The minutes of the regular meeting held on January 9, 1952, were read. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. LaRoche introduced Mr. Holmes, Area Counsel, whom we had requested to confer with us concerning a proposed attorney contract with Mr. M. Q. Sharpe.

Our resolution No. 51-62, 12-5-51, containing revisions we desired in the proposed draft bill to authorize negotiation of settlement agreements on the Fort Randall and Big Bend Projects was discussed. Mr. Holmes advised as follows: (Our requested revisions are listed first with Mr. Holmes comments following).

1. Include in the contract or in the proposed legislation provisions whereby the Federal Government would carry out its responsibility in maintaining an agency plant at Lower Brule with health facilities, schools, roads, etc., in accordance with treaty agreements.

Mr. Holmes stated that he felt this proviso should be a part of the contract rather than the proposed legislation.

2. Include provisions for funds with which to carry out the contract which will be executed subsequent to this legislation. (The members felt that since we will be put to a great expense in the negotiating stage, that an appropriation should be made by the Congress so that we would have funds with which to carry out our transactions which are imposed upon us by the Fort Randall and Big Bend Projects.)

Mr. Holmes said he thought this would be a good addition to make. He said he would write to Washington and stress this point.

3. Include a specific period of time in which the Federal Government would be allowed to settle with the property and land owners - individual and tribal.

MR. Holmes stated that he did not think we would have any difficulty in getting paid, but if we desired, we could make this a part of the contract which would come later.



4. Reserve the right to have a representative on the appraisal board other than the Secretary of the Interior.

Mr. Holmes said it was doubtful if this item would be sanctioned since the Corps of Army Engineers send in their appraisers, and if they meet with any opposition, then they take the matter directly into Federal Court. Mr. LaRoche said the Council could not give them the right to go on the individual allotments.

5. Reserve unto the members of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe all mineral and hunting and fishing rights on lands within the taking area of the Fort Randall and Big Bend Projects.

Mr. Holmes stated that he thought we would be able to retain our mineral rights, but he felt sure we would not be able to hold any hunting or fishing rights.

Mr. Holmes advised that the Council should request what they wanted in this proposed legislation.

In discussing attorney fees requested by Mr. Sharpe in the event we enter into such a contract, Mr. Holmes said he thought the fee of \$100.00 per day was too high. Mr. Holmes also advised that since recovery for the Tribe and the individuals is not in doubt, we should not consider allowing an attorney any percentage unless it was a very small percentage, and then that should be over and above the amount we are to receive.

Mr. LaRoche asked the Superintendent who was in charge since we do not have a replacement for Mr. Kiernan's position. Mr. McKee said he had left everything to Mr. Dunham and Mrs. Jandreau since Mr. Dunham is familiar with Indian Office procedure, and he had authorized Mrs. Jandreau to take care of all health matters. He said he has had to depend on Mrs. Jandreau for all of his information since Mr. Kiernan had left. Mr. LaRoche said that Mr. Dunham is a tribal employee, and he did not want him overburdened with additional responsibilities. Mr. LaRoche stated also that the Government still has its responsibilities here and there is still Government property here to be looked after.

In the discussion on traders licenses, Mr. Holmes advised that the Secretary of the Interior has designated authority to the Area Director to approve or disapprove these applications as they come in. He said the Tribal Council can only recommend, but the Area Director is the person who has the authority to issue such a license. He did say, however, that wherever possible, it is the policy of the office to cooperate with the Tribal Councils.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to approve tribal purchase at the rate of \$3.00 per acre from any available land funds of the following-described lands:

1. The One-fourth (1/4) undivided interest of Hermine Fire in L.B.-522, Helen Black Partisan, dec.
2. Allotment L.B.-326, Her Horse

Motion seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A letter dated February 1, 1952, was read. Mr. Orville Langdeau requested a loan of cattle from the Tribe. The Secretary was asked to write to Mr. Langdeau and advise that this could not be done at the present time unless the entire Program of Operations for the Lower Brule Livestock Enterprise was revised.

A voucher from Mr. Ralph H. Case was presented in the amount of \$600.69. This voucher covers expenses incurred by Mr. Case in connection with services performed under his contract, No. I-1-ind-42041, dated February 19, 1948, and relates to Lower Brule Indian Land Claim No. 78, Indian Claims Commission. Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve and authorize payment of this voucher as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A schedule of proposed revisions in the leasing regulations was presented. This was tabled until the members have had time to study it.

Mr. LaRoche advised that he had requested funds to purchase feed for cattle belonging to the individual operators. He said Mr. McKee had advised that they were authorized to use their relief money to purchase cake for the cattle. Mr. Adams said 30 tons of cake had already been ordered of which 21 tons would be sent to Lower Brule. He said this would be on a grant basis. Mr. Adams said too that they had the authority to issue subsistence grants of \$50.00 per month to approximately 20 operators at Lower Brule in an effort to relieve the stress caused by recent storms.

Mr. LaRoche said he was concerned about these cattle since the Tribe still holds the mortgage on them, and it would be to the advantage of all if we would assist all those who need help so that we could save the cattle and keep the operators in business. Mr. LaRoche urged the Loan Committee to go out and check wherever possible and report back to the Council so that some assistance can be given before it is too late. He said, however, after we have given what help we could and the individual operator would not help himself or make any effort, then the only thing would be to liquidate him. He said if possible, we should try to keep our operators from failing.

Mr. Adams said he and Mr. Eagle Thunder had made a visit to Cedar Creek to check on Joseph W. Thompson's cattle. He said there were 4 dead that they could see.

Mr. Langdeau said he agreed that we should assist the individual operators, but we should not encourage the operators to neglect their cattle. Mr. DeSmet and Mr. Eagle Thunder both stressed the point that the operators should be with their cattle looking after them rather than having the cattle in one place and they would be someplace else.

Mr. LaRoche advised that he had ordered a "V" type plow for snow removal. He said this would be used first for the Enterprise and then

to help the individual operators.

The question arose as to whether or not it would be possible to use the \$10,000.00 Emergency Reserve of the Enterprise. Mr. LaRoche said the Council could approve use of this fund if it is requested by the Manager. Mr. Adams suggested that the Tribe request a loan from the Government in the amount of \$10,000 with which to give loans to those who could not qualify to receive assistance on a grant basis. Mr. LaRoche said this would take too long since the need for feed is now. Mr. Langdeau said he thought everyone would be better off without any assistance from the Government since they should start to do their own business.

Mr. LaRoche said the Manager could buy feed if it is absolutely necessary under our Emergency Reserve set up, but if it is given out to individual operators, it would have to be repaid in cash. He said it would not be possible to give actual cash loans from this Emergency Reserve.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk said she wished to thank the members and Mr. Adams for trying to help these young men stay in the cattle business. She said she hoped that those operators who are helped so that they could continue in the cattle industry would show their gratitude by doing for themselves as much as possible.

There was a short discussion on the ERA. Mr. LaRoche said he would personally contact the REA concerning the problems we have in connection with this project.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stressed the need for funds for short term loans.

Mrs. Bad Horse requested that a list be made itemizing those lands which have been sold and those which are retained in trust status for Pearl or Julia Small Waisted Bear Metcalf.

The following bills were presented:

General Fund:

Moses DeSmet; Day & mileage.....	\$12.20
Leslie Langdeau; Day & mileage.....	\$ 8.60
Duma Bad Horse; Days & mileage.....	\$12.40
Alice H. Jandreau; Money order fees and mileage.....	5.95
Total:.....	\$39.15

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder; Days & mileage.....	\$57.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk; Days.....	\$33.00
LaRoche Store; Gasoline.....	2.40
Total:.....	\$92.40

Rehab. Fund:

Harry High Elk; Repair & maint. of tribal bldgs.....	45.00
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Court Fund:

Marilyn Langdeau; 2½ da. typing tribal code.....	\$ 7.50
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Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to approve payment of the above bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for -



none against.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Langdeau, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

*Richard LaRoche, Jr.*

Richard LaRoche, Jr.  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Alvin H. Langdeau*

Alvin H. Langdeau  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

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## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order at 3:20 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche.

Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	Leslie Langdeau
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt. at Arms	
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
Dana Bad Horse	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

Others present were: W. J. Adams, E.E. Rodgers, and Funker Brothers.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 6, 1952, were read. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. LaRoche explained that the members of the Claims Committee, Mr. Eagle Thunder and Mr. Long Turkey, had attended the meeting of the Black Hills Sioux Nation Conference which was convened at Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on February 19, 20, and 21st.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said one of the main points of this meeting was the adoption of Resolution No. 38 opposing passage of proposed legislation S. 2543 or any similar legislation on the grounds that any such bill would be unconstitutional, discriminatory, and un-American. This proposed bill, S. 2543, a bill to amend Section 3055 of Title 18, United States Code, was introduced by Senator McCarran, and is now being referred to "The Bill To Shoot The Indian Down."

Mr. Eagle Thunder also presented a copy of resolution No. 39 which was also adopted at this meeting. This resolution urges that action be taken on a final enrollment by all Sioux Tribes. The following are quoted from this resolution and are offered as a guide in completing these rolls:

"1. Use Tribal Constitution where membership or enrollments are specifically stated.

2. Use Title 25 U. S. C., Section 15, page 199.

3. Act of March 3, 1875, C. 131, Sec. 15, 18 Stat. 420.

4. Act of February 8, 1887, C. 119, Sec. 6, 24 Stat. 390. (General Allotment Act) References on these could be found in "Handbook of Indian Law" by Felix S. Cohen, page 127, also Chap. 5, Section 6 and 13.

5. Actual copies of Sioux Treaties 1868, 1877 and 1889.

6. In the rules and regulations governing the Indian Claims Commission the clause and section dealing with the Commission's recommendation to Congress for payment of findings to Indian Tribes."

Mr. Eagle Thunder also presented a proposed resolution signed by Henry Good Face, Sr., Charles Long Turkey, and Mr. Eagle Thunder in which they petitioned the Tribal Council to compile our final enrollment in accordance with our tribal constitution and regulations contained in the Code of Federal Regulations.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said too that it seemed that the Welfare Worker was trying to deprive some of our people from receiving assistance from the welfare fund. He stated that when the appropriations are made, they are granted for both reservations - Lower Brule and Crow Creek. Mrs. Lad Horse said that she and her husband were to be excluded from receiving an allowance on the March payroll, and Mr. Eagle Thunder said he heard Andrew Estes was not to be included on the next payroll. Mr. LaRoche advised that those who have such complaints should be here when Mrs. Woodruff comes to Lower Brule so that she can explain each case separately. Mr. LaRoche said he believed in helping people through relief grants, but he also believed that the people should help themselves whenever possible.

The Chairman asked that the Relief Committee study our tribal relief program so they would have a guide to go by in issuing our relief. Mr. LaRoche said he had noticed that the Relief Committee had issued orders to many who are able bodied but will not work.

Mr. Rodgers advised that in order to get the leases for Tony Goodlow paid, they had prepared a joint range unit for Tony Goodlow and Kenneth Miller. He said if this arrangement is satisfactory to the Council, a resolution would have to be adopted. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution approving a joint agreement on grazing Unit No. 55 between Tony Goodlow and Kenneth Miller for the remainder of this permit period. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Rodgers stated that Gilbert Big Eagle felt he had too much land, and because of this, approximately 1,069 acres in the north part of his unit would be taken from his unit by modification of his permit. He said the carrying capacity of this would be for about 40 head of livestock. He said he has received a request from Philip Byrnes for use of this land, and if agreeable, he would like to have a resolution from the Council to place this into a unit for Mr. Byrnes. Mr. Rodgers said he assumed Mr. Byrnes would borrow funds and purchase cattle with which to stock his unit.

It was the general opinion of the Chairman and the members that no resolution should be adopted to approve this for the following reasons:

1. Mr. Byrnes is not a resident of the Lower Brule Reservation and has not resided here for many years. He would have to first establish residence here before attempting to participate in any matters which concern the Tribe and its individual members.



2. Mr. Byrnes does not own any cattle of his own nor is it believed that he has the capital to invest in livestock. Our members are of the opinion that in order to operate any cattle enterprise, it is essential to have an established home, water, shelter, and feed, and equipment with which to hay.

3. Mr. LaRoche objected to placing this land out for bid. He said that a few years back Gilbert and Eunice Crazy Bull had wanted to keep a unit, but the office took the land away from them. He said he felt that Mr. Rodgers should see Mr. and Mrs. Crazy Bull before anything is done to assign this land to anyone through an allocation or through bid.

No action was taken by the Council either to approve an allocation for Mr. Byrnes or to place this land out for bids.

Mr. Adams advised that he would try to help as many of our cattle operators as he could with subsistence grants. He said, however, that in judging applicants for such grants, we would have to follow certain regulations governing use of such funds.

Copies of Claim No. 78 were distributed to the members.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk said she has received inquiries concerning tribal land purchases. She said some have asked if they would lose their rights if they sold all of their lands.

Section 12, Article IX, as amended, of the tribal constitution was read of which is quoted in part the subsections pertaining to the discussion:

- "(c) Land owned by any member of the Tribe who is over the age of sixty (60) years, or who is physically incapacitated, may be transferred by its owner to the Tribe in exchange for a pension of not more than twice the usual rental value of the land for the life of the pensioner to be paid out of available tribal funds.
- (d) Land in excess of one hundred and sixty (160) acres owned by any member of the Tribe may be purchased by the Tribe, with the consent of the owner, payments to be made under such terms as may be agreed upon.
- (e) Land owned by any member of the Tribe who desires to leave the reservation permanently may be purchased by the Tribe, under such terms as may be agreed upon."

During the discussion, the point was brought out that a member of the Tribe does not lose all his rights by selling his lands to the Tribe unless he shall sell his last 160 acres and make a written agreement to permanently leave the reservation and to relinquish all of his rights.

The meeting was turned over to Mr. DeSmet, the Vice Chairman.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that when our delegation went to Washington in 1948, we had requested an ambulance to be used for medical purposes. He said we now have the ambulance and still have never had the use of it for our patients. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved that we have the ambulance placed at our disposal so that we would have some means of transportation for our hospital patients. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mrs. Bad Horse was granted permission to use approximately one acre on Slim's Island for a garden.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to transfer all money in our General Fund to the Treasurer of the Tribe for deposit to the account of the Tribe in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Presho, South Dakota. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr.; Days and mileage.....	\$54.00
Woses DeSmet; Day and mileage.....	\$18.00
Emma Bad Horse; Days and mileage.....	\$17.20
LaRoche Store; Gasoline and oil furnished.....	\$ 8.52
Thomas Eagle Thunder; Delegation allowance.....	\$50.00
Charles Long Turkey; Delegation allowance.....	\$50.00
Total:.....	\$197.72

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder; Days.....	\$40.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk; Days.....	30.00
Total:.....	\$70.00

Rehab. Fund:

Harry High Elk; Repair and maintenance of bldgs....	\$53.75
Helen R. Thompson, Refund for personal funds used on rehab. house.....	\$15.00
Total:.....	\$68.75

Motion to approve payment of bills as presented by Mr. Eagle Thunder, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

/s/ Alice M. Jandreau  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

Richard LaRoche, Jr.  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche.

## Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	Leslie Langdeau
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt. at Arms	
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
Emma Bad Horse	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt the minutes of March 5, 1952, seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against. (Mrs. Bad Horse was not present when the vote was taken.)

Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked if Helen and Joseph Thompson are paying rent on the house they occupy. Mr. LaRoche said it has been the policy that tribal employees are not required to pay rent. He said the reason for this is that the Tribe is not in a position to pay our employees what they would receive any where else, and by providing free housing for them, we would be able to compensate them a little more. Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked if the people could use Government lumber to fix their houses and still get paid by the Tribe. Mr. LaRoche stated that if a person makes repairs to a tribal house and brings in a receipted bill for it, he would be entitled to a refund from the Tribe. He said, however, that in the case of Mrs. Thompson, her bill presented in the last meeting was for screen purchased and not for lumber. He also advised that in the past when the Tribe would purchase repairs and paint ordered by the individuals in the houses, it was, in most cases, far and above the amount needed for actual repairs to the houses.

A letter dated April 10, 1952, from the Aberdeen Area Office to Mr. LaRoche was read. In this letter we are advised that the last quarterly report shows that Charles M. Langdeau's loan, CP-44, has been delinquent since December 15, 1951. Mr. LaRoche advised that he has already contacted Mr. Langdeau concerning this indebtedness, and it is possible that this may have been paid by this time.

Two letters from Mr. Frank Duckeneaux, Chairman of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Council, were read. Both letters referred to a proposed meeting of tribal chairmen to discuss problems that have arisen on the reservations as a result of the Area Office setup.

A letter dated April 9, 1952, from the Association on American Indian Affairs, Inc. to Mr. LaRoche was read. The letter is an invitation to attend an Institute on American Indian Assimilation to be held in Washington, D. C. on May 8, 9, and 10th.

Mr. Joseph Sawalla requested lumber from the old red barn or a loan of \$75.00 with which to repair his log house. Mr. LaRoche said



he has had people requesting the lumber from the old red barn, but since this barn does not belong to the Tribe, we are not in a position to give it away. He said it is still the property of the Government. He stated that the delegation that went to Washington, D. C. in 1948 had asked that this building be turned over to the Tribe, but they were told that this building was to be retained by the Government to be used for a 4-H project in connection with the school.

The Chairman advised that because of the weather and road conditions the cattle turnbacks were not taken on April 1st as the contracts call for. He said also that the Enterprise trucks have been broken down, but it is the plan now to take these turnbacks after calving time is over rather than run the risk of injuring the cows before the calves are born.

Mr. LaRoche said that we should anticipate some requests for extensions from the cattle operators who have lost livestock this year and who would be placed in a dangerous position if we were to insist on repayments from them when their losses have been great. Mr. LaRoche stated that he expected to make a check on all of the cattle operators so that he would have these counts on losses, etc. for the Tribal Council. He also advised that since we would not be making cattle issues this spring, extensions given to those operators whose losses were great would not injure the status of the Enterprise.

Mr. LaRoche stated that he intended to request a loan from the Government to the Tribe of \$75,000 with which to make loans to the people. He said we have never had sufficient funds with which to help all those who have applied for loans. He stated we have even handicapped some of our cattle operators by starting them out with just about half of what they should have. Also, there are many of our boys who would like to farm or enter into some other business rather than be in the cattle business.

The Chairman advised that he has received many complaints on the Enterprise workers. He said he did not know if the riders are out on the job or not, but the complaints are that they have been off drinking someplace when they should be working. Mr. LaRoche said he would like to have Mr. Dunham, the manager, present at the next meeting of the Council.

Mr. LaRoche advised that he had received word that the Government has a policeman in mind for Lower Brule. He said the only drawback now is the quarters where the road man is living which was originally set aside for the police officer. He said, however, that he would not like to have the road man moved since it is very likely that if we do, that position will be abolished. He said he knew too that if the road job here is abolished, all of the roads equipment here would be moved back to Fort Thompson. Mr. LaRoche said the only house that could be made available would be the one the missionaries are living in. He said he would leave it to the members to decide this at the next meeting. He added that when a police officer does come to Lower Brule he did not want himself or the Tribe to have anything to do with him - that the police officer would be responsible to the Government.

Mr. McKee advised the members that he is trying to establish a roads maintenance position for Lower Brule to take care of the roads equipment.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said we should go according to Title 25 in which it states that from 1928 on all children born would have to be adopted into the Tribe or they would not be entitled to any tribal rights. He said these children are not allotted, and they are not recognized in the General Land Office in Washington. He suggested sending a delegation into Washington to confer with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs on this and other tribal problems. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that at the meeting of the Black Hills Sioux Nation Council held at Pine Ridge, a letter from Commissioner Meyer was read wherein these facts were made known to the people.

The Chairman read Article II - Membership from our Constitution. Mr. Eagle Thunder urged that an ordinance be adopted in support of Article II of the Constitution. Mr. DeSmet moved to table action on this until such a time as we have time to study it and talk it over with other tribal members. Mrs. Spotted Hawk seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder reminded the Superintendent that the Council had made a request for use of the Government ambulance for medical purposes but since then we have not been able to use it for patients. Mr. McKee said they have had a difficult time keeping their equipment in condition to operate efficiently, but he was certain they would be able to have this done.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk told the Superintendent that she did not like to see anyone lose a job, but if the Enterprise is losing cattle because the boys are not working, then something should be done. Mr. McKee said this was matter was to be discussed with the Manager at the next meeting as he was told and let the manager know that you will back him up.

Mr. Eagle Thunder asked the Superintendent if there would be some road work for some of our boys here. Mr. McKee said they would use our boys for this work as much as possible.

Mr. DeSmet requested exchanging his present exchange assignment of 80 acres for the Tribe's equity in the Elijah Quilt estate. No action was taken on this until more information is available on this type of transaction.

Mr. Long, Field Aid for Lower Brule, was introduced to the Council.

Mrs. Bad Horse asked if it was all right to cut hay on submarginal land and then sell the hay like Marlowe Langdeau had done.

Mr. LaRoche told the members of the new land regulations which were put into effect in March. The members all felt that these new regulations are unfair and should be changed. Mr. LaRoche said that our land clerk works with these regulations and is familiar with them,

we might just as well send our land clerk to Aberdeen to object to these regulations. Mr. LaRoche said that if our clerk goes with the clerk from Fort Thompson, we would pay the meals and lodging for our clerk when she turns in her receipted bills.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr.; Days and mileage.....	\$57.60
Moses DeSmet; Day and mileage.....	\$24.80
Emma Bad Horse, Days and mileage.....	\$21.60
Alice H. Jandreau, Mileage and money order fees ..	\$13.00
Total:	\$117.00

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder; Days.....	\$69.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk; Days.....	\$39.00
LaRoche Store; Gasline.....	\$1.50
Total:	\$109.50

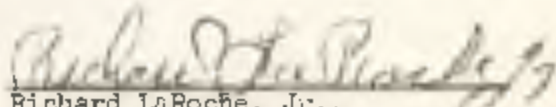
Rehab. Fund:


Herbert Flute; 5 da. @ \$4.50 per da.....	\$22.50
Thomas Eagle Thunder; 8 da. @ \$4.50 per da.....	\$36.00
Total:	\$58.50

Motion to approve payment of the above bills as presented, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council



## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche, at 2:15 p.m. Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	None
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt-at-Arms	
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
James Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non member)	

Others present: Mr. Dunham, Mr. Adams, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Rodgers.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 16, 1952, were read. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt the minutes as read. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against. (Mrs. Bad Horse was not present when the vote was taken.)

Mr. Adams introduced Mr. Ward, Credit Examiner from the Aberdeen Area Office. The purpose of Mr. Ward's visit was to assist with the annual credit report and to advise on credit problems.

There was a short discussion on granting extensions to those cattle operators whose winter losses this past winter were heavy. Mr. LaRoche said he would like to have a check on all those who have applied for an extension because he said if an operator is down too low on his cattle count, it would be the best thing to liquidate the operator while he still has enough cattle to do this. He advised getting a count when the cattle are rounded up to vaccinate and then to take each individual case on its own merits. Mr. LaRoche said he would like to have Mr. Landbloom down when this is taken care of, and at the same time they could decide on various problems confronting our Livestock Enterprise. The Chairman explained that due to losses suffered by the Enterprise, it is possible that we may have to make certain revisions in our operating program in order to help the Enterprise through what is now an emergency situation.

Copies of the Enterprise Manager's report for the month of April, 1952. Mr. Dunham reported that the Enterprise workers were doing much better in their work now than before.

Mr. Rodgers advised that the Indian Office has a definite policy to follow whereby the Federal law on starting and leaving a fire would apply to the people here unless the Tribal Council adopts an ordinance to cover this. He said the penalty under Federal law is one year in prison and a \$1,000.00 fine.

Mr. Rodgers also said that since the range units will have to be advertised by the first of September, the Council would have to pass a resolution prior to that time concerning the following:

1. Determine the allocation of Indian permittees and the rates providing the rates are sufficient to pay the allottees.
2. Determine the classes of livestock to be grazed on range units, and the average minimum rate per head on tribal land and recommendations for the same on allotted lands.
3. Determine the number of years for the next permit period.
4. The number of livestock that could be grazed free of charge. This would pertain to those lands that the Tribe owns or has control of lands.
5. Determine whether or not the Indians would have the right to meet the high bid on range units which are not allocated for Indian use.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to authorize tribal purchase of LB-320, Her Horse, at the new appraisal price of \$8.00 per acre. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Bill H. R. 7592 introduced by E. Y. Berry was discussed. This bill is similar in substance to the bill proposed by the Indian Office.

Mr. Eagle Thunder suggested sending a delegation to Aberdeen to protest the new land regulations. Mr. LaRoche said under the new regulations, the Indian owner would receive more for his land, but it would not be possible for the Tribe to purchase much land since we would not have sufficient funds to meet the high bids. Mr. DeSmet suggested that all of the Indians pool their lands together.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to authorize a tribal delegation to Aberdeen and to Washington, D. C. and to nominate those delegates. Motion seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. DeSmet moved to nominate the Chairman and the members of the Land Committee as delegates for this trip. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution authorizing the use of our Federal appropriation for Tribal Council expenses to defray the expenses of our delegation to Aberdeen and Washington, D. C. to confer with officials of the Indian Department on the proposed Fort Randall bill and other tribal problems, the date being tentatively set for June 6, 1952. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A letter from Harry Bad Horse was read wherein he proposes sale of his land to the Tribe. This and other applications for sale of lands to the Tribe were tabled until such a time as something definite is settled concerning the new land regulations.

The following applications for loans from the General Fund were read:

1. Arlene LaRoche, the amount of \$300.00 for the purpose of completing her schooling. Repayment of this loan to be collected this fall from cattle sales.
2. Harry Bad Horse, the amount of \$200.00 for living expenses. Repayment to be made this fall from cattle sales.
3. Joseph Sawalla, Sr., the amount of \$250.00 for house repairs. This loan to be repaid from lease rentals.

Mr. DeSmet moved to authorize the above three loans from the General Fund with no interest charge. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk said that her grandson, Tony Goodlow wished to trade in his Johnson stacker for a tractor if this was agreeable to the Chairman and the Loan Committee since this stacker was purchased with his loan. No objections were voiced to this modification of Tony's loan agreement.

Mr. Eagle Thunder presented a proposed ordinance to Article II of the Constitution concerning tribal membership. He moved to include this matter in the program for discussion by the delegation. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A list of suits and equipment for our baseball team was presented. Mr. DeSmet moved to authorize payment of these suits and equipment from our General Fund and to authorize payment upon purchase. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

In connection with this subject, Mr. LaRoche said that all of the suits and supplies purchased would have to be turned in to Mr. Fallers after the baseball season is over.

An application for a patent in fee on LB-641, Harry William Gilland, was presented. Motion to disapprove favorable recommendation of this request by Mr. DeSmet, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The proposed Nebraska bill was taken up. This proposed bill would permit State jurisdiction over offenses committed by or against Indians in the Indian territory. The members expressed favorable comments on this.

Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt a resolution to abolish the Aberdeen Area Office. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. Langdeau asked about membership fees for the REA on the ranches used by the Enterprise. Mr. LaRoche advised that the Enterprise would be obliged to pay these membership fees for the three ranches.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked if there were any rehabilitation grant



funds for building repairs. Mr. LaRoche advised that funds of this type are not now available.

The following bills were presented:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr.; Days & mileage.....	\$ 52.80
Leslie Langdeau, Council and miscellaneous exp.	\$ 15.60
Moses DeSmet, Council.....	\$ 3.00
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$ 13.20
Alice H. Jandreau, mileage & money order fees..	\$ 11.90
<del>James J. Jandreau, Council.....</del>	<del>\$ 18.00</del>
Total:	\$150.50

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$ 36.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	\$ 9.00
Total:	\$ 45.00

Rehab. Fund:

Herbert Flute, Repair & maintenance of tribal buildings....	\$ 36.00
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Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to authorize payment of the above bills as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to authorize Alice H. Jandreau, bonded tribal treasurer, to disburse funds from the appropriate account to pay the services of a janitor by the month in accordance with the number of days worked at the rate of \$4.50 per day. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Bad Horse, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

*Richard LaRoche, Jr.*  
 Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
 Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Alice H. Jandreau*  
 Alice H. Jandreau,  
 Secretary of the Tribal Council

RESOLUTION  
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
 Lower Brule, South Dakota

WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council has received proposed legislation concerning the Missouri River Development Program which is of vital concern to us, and

WHEREAS, we have other important tribal problems of administration which we desire to discuss with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and other officials;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in regular session assembled this 7th day of May, 1952, that we hereby authorize our tribal delegation to consist of Mr. Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman, Mr. Moses DeSmet, and Mr. Thomas Eagle Thunder to proceed to Aberdeen and to Washington, D. C. to confer on the various problems now on hand with expenses of this delegation to be defrayed from our Federal Tribal Council Appropriation as follows:

1. First class travel accommodations for three, \$400.00
2. Eight (8) days per diem @ \$9.00 per day each: \$216.00
3. Additional per diem to be allowed from our Federal appropriation for each day in the event our delegates are detained in Washington, D. C. for Senate hearings on the proposed Fort Randall legislation.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of five for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (a) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.



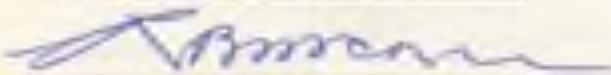
Richard LaRoche, Jr.  
 Chairman of the Tribal Council



Alice H. Jandreau,  
 Secretary of the Tribal Council

APPROVED:

Date: 5-12-52



Superintendent

RESOLUTION  
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Lower Brule, South Dakota

WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council has received requests from individuals who have need for loan funds, and

WHEREAS, the only loan fund available for use has been depleted, and

WHEREAS, we desire to help these individuals now when the need for such funds is the greatest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in regular session assembled this 7th day of May, 1952, that we hereby authorize our bonded Treasurer to disburse from our General Fund in the Farmers and Merchants Bank in Presho, South Dakota, the amounts as listed below to the following individual, such loans to be free of any interest free:

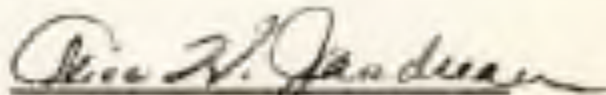
1. Arlene LaRoche, the amount of \$300.00 for completion of schooling with repayment to be made this fall of 1952 from cattle sales.
2. Joseph Sawalla, the amount of \$250.00 for building repairs with repayment to be made from lease rentals.
3. Harry Bad Horse, the amount of \$200.00 for subsistence with repayment to be made this fall of 1952 from cattle sales.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of five for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (f) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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Richard LaRoche, Jr.  
Chairman of the Tribal Council



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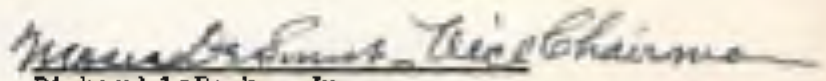
RESOLUTION  
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Lower Brule, South Dakota

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in regular session assembled this 7th day of May, 1952, that we hereby authorize purchase of baseball suits and equipment needed with payment to be made from the General Fund.

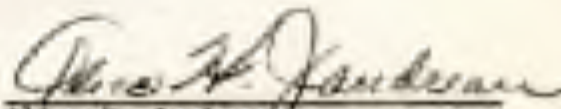
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we authorize payment by the Tribal Treasurer in an amount not to exceed \$400.00 from our General Fund in our Presho Bank Depository upon completion of said purchases.

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Richard LaRoche, Jr.  
Chairman of the Tribal Council



Alice H. Jandreas  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

RESOLUTION NO. 52-15

WHEREAS, when the various Area Offices were established many of the field personnel were moved from the agencies to the Area Offices with a resultant loss of services to the Indians where the services are actually needed, and

WHEREAS, this Tribal Council believes that the eventual integration into society of the Indians could be accomplished much more effectively and expeditiously if the personnel and services were restored to the agency level, and

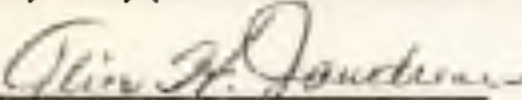
WHEREAS, the Area Office at Aberdeen, South Dakota, has proven itself to be ineffective and unnecessary, having contributed, to the knowledge of this Tribal Council, not one item of benefit to the Indians, that it constitutes one more hurdle to be surmounted in the completion of any item of tribal or individual business with the Indian Office; and that such work as is performed at the Area Office is merely a duplication of work already performed by field personnel, and

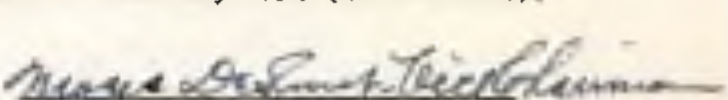
WHEREAS, it is believed that the elimination of the Area Office at Aberdeen and the restoration to the agency levels of field personnel and facilities would effect economy in administration, better service to the people, and a more workable approach to the eventual withdrawal of restrictions and supervision over the persons and property of the Indians in the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council, this 7th day of May, 1952, hereby requests that the members of the Subcommittees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Senate give due consideration to the elimination of the Area Office at Aberdeen, South Dakota, and that any funds in the Interior Department appropriation ear-marked for the operation of that office be allocated instead to personnel and facilities for the agencies in the area, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Congress, in enacting legislation to provide for the Interior Department appropriations take cognizance of the inadequacy of the Indian Office under the existing set-up and proceed to reorganize the operation of the Indian Bureau in the interests of efficiency and economy.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of 5 for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (a)(d) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

  
Aline H. Jandrew,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

  
Richard LaRoche, Sr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

APPROVED:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Superintendent

RESOLUTION  
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Lower Brule, South Dakota

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in regular session assembled this 7th day of May, 1952, that the following listed bills are hereby approved for payment:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr.; Council.....	\$ 52.80
Leslie Langdeau, Council and miscellaneous.....	\$ 15.60
Moses DeSmet, Council.....	\$ 3.00
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$ 18.20
Alice H. Jandreau, Mileage and money order fees..	\$ 11.90
Joyce DeSheuclette, Office.....	\$ 9.00
Ice Flying Service, Medical transportation.....	\$ 40.00
Total:	\$155.50

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$ 36.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	\$ 9.00
Total:	\$ 45.00

Rehab. Fund:

Herbert Flute, Repair and maintenance of tribal buildings.....	\$ 36.00
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The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of five for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 2 (f) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

*Richard LaRoche, Jr.*

Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Alice H. Jandreau*

Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council.

APPROVED:

Date: 5-12-52

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Superintendent

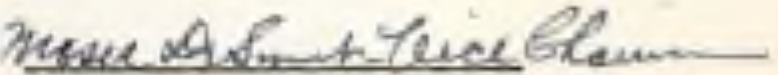


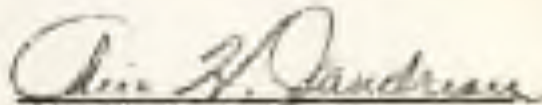
RESOLUTION  
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Lower Brule, South Dakota

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in regular session assembled this 7th day of May, 1952, that we hereby authorize Alice H. Jandreau, bonded Tribal Treasurer of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, to disburse appropriate funds for the payment of wages for the janitor at the end of each month in accordance with the number of days worked at the rate of \$4.50 per day.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of five for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (f) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

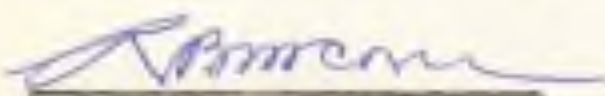
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Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council.

APPROVED:

Date: 5-12-52

  
Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche, at 10 o'clock a.m. Roll call as follows:

Present:

Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman  
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms  
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain  
Emma Bad Horse  
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)

Absent:

Moses Desmet, Vice Chairman  
Leslie Longdeau

The Secretary explained the purpose of this special meeting. It was previously planned to have our delegation leave for Washington, D.C. on or about June 6th which would be after the regular June meeting, but we now have word that Senate hearings on the proposed legislation concerning the Fort Randall Project will begin at 10 o'clock a.m. June 4th, and our delegates, as well as the Crow Creek delegates, are requested to attend. Mrs. Jandreau said she had not received the proper Government forms from the Superintendent to request an advance of funds for the delegates from per diem which would be allowed them from our Federal appropriation for this trip. She stated that if it is agreeable with the members, we should have an appropriate resolution to make such an allowance from the General Fund so that our delegation would have the opportunity to attend these Senate hearings. It was decided that our delegates should proceed to Washington, D. C. by plane.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk moved to adopt a resolution authorizing an advance from the General Fund in the amount of \$100.00 each for our three delegates to be repaid by the delegates from their per diem allowance which they will later receive from our Federal appropriation for Tribal Council expenses. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mrs. Bad Horse moved to adopt a resolution to authorize the Secretary to purchase license plates for the tribal car from the General Fund. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

A voucher in the amount of \$120.53 was presented on behalf of Ralph H. Case for reimbursement of personal funds expended on Sioux Claim No. 78. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to authorize payment of this voucher as presented. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder advised that the tribal land committee has been excluded from making land appraisals, and they have not been informed of land transactions which are being handled through the office here. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to suspend all tribal land purchases until such a time as a definite understanding is reached concerning the new land regulations. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mrs. Dorothy Jandreau requested a loan of money from the General Fund of the Tribe in the amount of \$400.00 to be repaid from cattle

sales this fall. The purpose of this loan was to repair flood damages to their home. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to approve this request, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk stated that the tribal janitor said he was handicapped in making needed repairs to tribal buildings since he did not have proper tools to work with. The Chairman requested the Secretary to purchase the necessary tools. He said it would be necessary that after these tools are purchased, they would have to be checked in each evening to the tribal office.

In answer to a question from Mrs. Bad Horse, Mr. LaRoche advised that any occupants of tribal houses would be allowed credit on back rents for any repairs or improvements made to tribal buildings when the receipted bill is turned in.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund:

Euna Bad Horse, Council and mileage.....	\$19.00
Alice H. Jandreau, Office exp. and mileage.....	\$11.60
Helen R. Thompson, Refund for personal funds used on tribal trip to Aberdeen Area Office.....	\$10.55
Total:	\$41.15

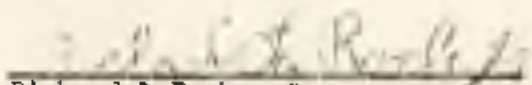
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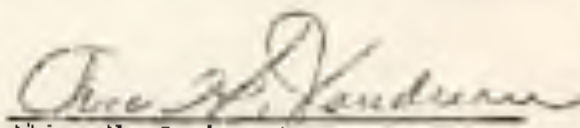
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$33.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	\$ 9.00
Total:	\$42.00

Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve payment of the above bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Bad Horse, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council.



RESOLUTION  
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
 Lower Brule, South Dakota

WHEREAS, we have received Field Memorandum No. 146 issued by the Aberdeen Area Office under date of March 13, 1952, to which was attached the new land regulations from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, "Resources, Land, Termination of Restrictions on and Conveyances on Indian Land, Vol. V, Part IV, Chapter 2, Section 202.04C", and

WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, in an effort to consolidate our present land holdings in our land acquisition program, has in full force and effect, a Land Service Enterprise under which we operate toward our ultimate goal in the acquisition of tribal land holdings, and

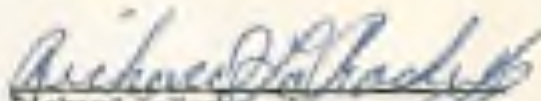
WHEREAS, the above-mentioned land regulations were put into effect without any consultation or study as to how such regulations would affect the land transactions in which our Tribe, and in some instances our individual Indian operators, have any dealings, and


WHEREAS, such regulations would defeat entirely our aim in attempting to administer our tribal affairs to the best of our ability and would assist the white operators on our reservation in securing our lands which are needed for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and for our own individual Indian operators;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in special session assembled this 28th day of May, 1952, that we hereby request that the said land regulations heretofore mentioned and referred to be rescinded immediately and that all tribal land purchases be held in abeyance until definite agreement is made to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

The foregoing resolution was on May 28, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of three for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (f), and Article IX, Section 12, of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

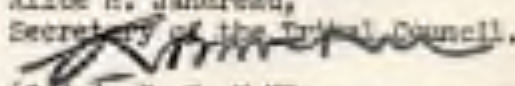
This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

  
 Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
 Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
 Alice H. Jandread,  
 Secretary of the Tribal Council.

APPROVED:

Date: May 29, 1952

  
 (Sgt.) S. H. McKee  
 Superintendent


RESOLUTION  
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Lower Brule, South Dakota


BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in special session that we hereby approve an advance in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each to the three tribal delegates, Mr. Richard LaRoche, Jr., Mr. Moses DeSmet, and Mr. Thomas Eagle Thunder, from the General Fund for immediate expenses which will be incurred on their trip to Washington, D. C. to attend Senate hearings on proposed legislation concerning the Fort Randall Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this advance of funds is to be repaid by each delegate to the General Fund from per diem allowances allowed from our Federal appropriation for Tribal Council expenses.

The foregoing resolution was on May 29, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of three for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (f) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1933, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 974).

This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
Allen H. Jandreas  
Secretary of the Tribal Council.

RESOLUTION  
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Lower Brule, South Dakota

WHEREAS, Contract Symbol No. I-ind-42041 dated February 19, 1948, approved June 22, 1948, in favor of Ralph H. Case is in full force and effect, and

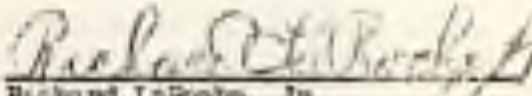
WHEREAS, said contract provides for payment of expenses incurred in connection with this contract, and

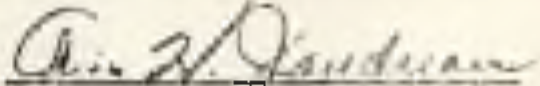
WHEREAS, we are in receipt of a voucher covering certain expenditures of Ralph H. Case incurred under said contract in connection with Sioux Claim No. 78 filed under the Indian Claims Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in special session assembled this 29th day of May, 1952, that we hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$120.00 to Ralph H. Case for expenses incurred in connection with Sioux Claim No. 78.

The foregoing resolution was on May 29, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of those for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (b) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

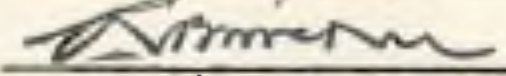
This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

  
Richard LaRocca, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council.

APPROVED:

Date: 6/20/52

  
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Superintendent



RESOLUTION  
 LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
 Lower Brule, South Dakota

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council in special session assembled this 29th day of May, 1952, that we hereby authorize disbursement of the payees and amounts as listed:

General Fund:

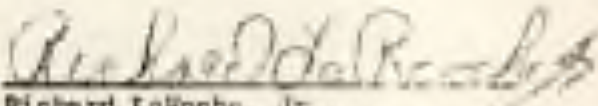
Emar Bad Horse, Council and mileage.....	\$19.00
Alice H. Jandreau, Office exp. and mileage.....	\$11.60
Helen B. Thompson, Refund of personal funds on trip to Aberdeen Area Office.....	\$10.55
Lyman County Treasurer, License for tribal car...	\$20.50
Dorothy Jandreau, Loan.....	\$100.00
Total:	\$461.65

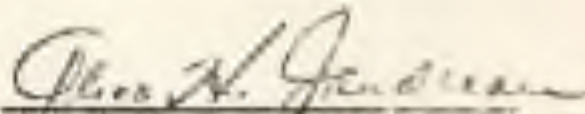
Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$33.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	\$ 9.00
Total:	\$ 42.00

The foregoing resolution was on May 29, 1952, duly adopted by a vote of three for and none against by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article VI, Section 1 (f) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on October 5, 1935, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 27, 1935, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1904 (48 Stat. 934).

This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

  
 Richard Lokoche, Jr.,  
 Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
 Alice H. Jandreau  
 Secretary of the Tribal Council.

## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order @ 2:25 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche.

Roll call by the Secretary as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt. at Arms	
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
Emma Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

Others present included Mr. Rice, Mr. Adams, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Kolthoff, and Franklin Estes.

Mr. Rice explained that the purpose of his trip here was to explain the proposed unit regulations for the coming permit period. It is proposed to operate on a "sliding scale" whereby the price of unit rentals would fluctuate according to the price of beef, and we would be able to set a five-year permit period without danger of hurting the land owners or the Indian permittees. In answer to a question by Mr. LaRoche, Mr. Rice said there was no reason why tribal representatives could not help set the rates, and he said that it is very unlikely that the Area Director would over-rule the Tribe on anything of this sort.

Mr. LaRoche said he would like to get the opinions of the cattle operators first before anything definite is decided on since they are the ones who will be affected. Mr. Langdeau stated that there is a great difference between the white and Indian operators since the white operators have been in the cattle business longer; they have more assets; and they have credit available to them that the Indian operators do not have. He said he thought the present rates were high enough. Mr. LaRoche said if the cattle operators would agree not to participate in the Dividend and Relief Programs, then we might be able to hold the leases down and still give those who do not have any cattle a little more.

Mr. Rice outlined the following which would have to be included in the resolution when it is passed by the Tribal Council:

1. Determine whether to authorize grazing permits to Indian operators at the minimum rental established.
2. Determine the classes of livestock to be grazed on units. Sheep can be excluded from grazing units.
3. The minimum rate which shall be charged for tribal land and the rate recommended for allotted land.
4. Number of years for which grazing privileges are to be authorized.
5. Number of livestock to be grazed free of charge on tribal land.
6. Determine whether Indians who are bona fide operators shall be given the privilege of meeting the high bid.
7. Determine whether you want to give non-Indians the privilege to meet high bids on units providing Indians do not exercise their preference as stated in the preceding paragraph.

8. Authorize the Superintendent to issue permits to the successful bidders.

Mr. Rice said it would also be necessary that all grazing permits expire at the same time.

Mr. LaRoche asked if the regulations are made according to the needs of each reservation or if the same regulations apply to all reservations regardless of the different problems involved. Mr. Rice said the "sliding scale" is something which they hope to put into effect on all reservations. He said the main reason is to get a longer contract period so as to be able to give a guarantee of tenure to the unit permittees. He also said that a lot of the regulations are aimed at renting to white operators because allotted land is used by non-Indians, and he said he thought every white operator should be charged just as much as they could bear.

Mr. Langdeau said that if the prices on grazing units go higher, the white operators will just add more cattle. Mr. LaRoche said there are cases where the white operators have over-stocked the range, but they have taken the cattle out when they know anyone from the office would be there to check and then they are put back in afterward. Mr. Rice stated that if affidavits were turned in certifying to the fact that there was any overstocking on our range units, a check would be made immediately. Mr. Rodgers said that Arthur Gilman had paid his fee last year for overstocking his unit. The members felt that paying a fee would still not put the land back in the condition that it was before it was overgrazed.

An application for an educational loan in the amount of \$500.00 on behalf of Franklin Estes was presented. Since we do not know definitely whether or not we will have sufficient funds in our revolving loan account to assist Mr. Estes, Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to recommend this loan from the Federal Government. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The minutes of May 7th and May 29th were read. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt these minutes as read. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

An application for renewal of trader's license for H. R. Lockwood was presented. Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve this request, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. NO objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Proposed tribal land purchases were presented as follows:

1. LB-598, Isaac Horace Day Boy, appraised at \$1,600.00.
2. LB-641, Harry William Gilland, appraised at \$7.00 per acre.
3. LB-192, Thomas Flying Walker, appraised at \$960.00.

Mr. Eagle Thunder advised that the tribal land committee did not get a chance to appraise any of these lands. He said they were not even advised of the transactions which are handled through this office. Mr. LaRoche he could not understand the fact that LB-598 was appraised at \$10.00 when



LB-641 is appraised at \$7.00 per acre. He said LB-641 is land that is just as good or better than the one appraised at \$10.00 per acre. Mr. LaRoche said he would like to have the money from the Government fund obligated prior to June 30th so that we would not lose it, but he has been advised that any appropriations made to the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe would be deducted from any claims awarded to our Tribe from the Federal Government. He said also that when we pay a high price from the Federal appropriation, the people expect the same prices from the Tribe also.

Mr. Langdeau moved to table these transactions until all land appraisals are adjusted and the prices are within what the Tribe can afford to pay. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The report of the Livestock Enterprise for the month of May, 1952, was presented. No comments.

Requests for extension on loan and repayment cattle was presented on behalf of Charles Langdeau. It was decided to withhold action on the request for an extension of repayment cattle until such a time as we have a definite agreement on how these will be handled. Mr. Langdeau moved to approve an extension of the cash loan of Charles Langdeau for this year. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. LaRoche explained to the members that he would recommend extensions on repayment cattle to those who actually need an extension to keep them in business, but he said that we could not go below the 1,000 head of breeding cows of the Enterprise as is called for in the Program of Operations. He said if by granting extensions to our operators we are placing the Enterprise below the 1,000 mark set, we would either have to revise our Enterprise program or deny the requests for extensions. He suggested that if such would be the case, it might work out if we allowed the operators requesting and needing an extension to keep their repayments until fall, then they could take the calves and still turn in a bred cow.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to meet with Area officials in Aberdeen to take care of these problems on June 18th or the first available date after that. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

There was a brief discussion on staggering the terms of the Councilmen so that we would not have to start with an entirely new group after each election. Mr. LaRoche said he would suggest amending the Constitution so that three of the member's terms would be two years and three for four years. Mr. LaRoche said also that he believed the Chairman and the officers of the Council should be elected to office by the Tribe. He said this would be with the exception of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Tribe who is employed under contract and bond for this office. The Chairman requested each member to talk this matter over with the people in each district since any action of this kind would have to be by a majority vote of the legal voters. It was also decided to take this matter up with the officials in the Aberdeen Area Office.

Mr. LaRoche advised that figures shown by E. Y. Berry indicate that 80 per cent of our reservation is being utilized by Indians, and there is some thought of proposing legislation to allow for withdrawal of the Federal Government from the Lower Brule Reservation.

Mr. LaRoche also advised that he was informed while in Washington that the Indian Department would exempt the Tribe from bidding on lands for sale by Indians, but no exemption was made for purchases of land by individual Indians. The Chairman said he objected to the present land regulations concerning land sales because we are being penalized because of speculation in land transactions <sup>which</sup> occurred on other reservations. He said he believed that the Indian Office should consider the problems of each reservation on its own merits rather than attempt to fit the problems of all Indian reservations into one category and try to govern them all by one blanket regulation. He said the white operators on the reservation would benefit from the present land program whereas we have been trying to consolidate our tribal land holdings and still give our individual Indian operators the opportunity to purchase land within their respective range units in order to establish themselves.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to exempt the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe from the present land regulations as advised by Mr. Hutchinson of the Land Office in Washington, D. C. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder requested permission to farm 80 acres of sub-marginal land west of the agency. Mr. LaRoche advised that he see Mr. Dunham concerning this since it is in the Enterprise unit, but he said he thought an agreement had already been made on this land with Fred Reuer. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that he wanted to get this land for Mr. Chool. The question was brought up as to whether or not it is permissible to farm submarginal land. Mr. LaRoche said this land was bought by the Government to put it back into grass.

A request for an exchange assignment for Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Swift Hawk was presented as follows: LB-1046, Seymour Swift Hawk, to be exchanged for tribal land W/2 E/2 NE/4, Section 7 and W/2 SW/4 SE/4 Section 6, 109-76. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to approve this request, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Joseph Sawalla requested an exchange assignment - his undivided one-third interest LB-676, Angelic Splintered Horn for tribal land described as NE/4 SW/4 of Section 10, 107-73. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to approve this exchange. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that the Relief Committee had planned to have a picnic for the school children, but they would need a beef and ice cream. Mr. LaRoche suggested that the beef be butchered for June 14th at which time Mr. Eagle Thunder could give a report of the Washington trip.



Mrs. Spotted Hawk requested a permit to sell one cow for her grandson, Tony Goodlow, or a loan of \$150.00 from the Tribe. The Chairman advised that since Tony is in his first year of business and has lost some cows this winter, they would be unable to issue a permit to him to sell his cows. He said instead they might see if a bank would take a mortgage on his yearling heifers if he is actually in need of operating expenses.

Mrs. Bad Horse asked if the former allotment of Jasper DeSheuquette is up for bids. Mr. LaRoche said it was not now up for bids, but he thought that might be the best way to handle it since there are about six parties who want this land to farm. He said there is also a chance that the manager of the Livestock Enterprise may desire to use that in connection with his Cedar Creek operations.

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr.; Council.....	\$ 48.00
Leslie Langdeau, Council.....	8.60
Knox Service, Chains for tribal car.....	10.80
Alice H. Jandreau, Mileage.....	20.10
Joyce DeSheuquette, Office.....	7.50
Maryland Casualty Co., Premium on Treasurer's bond.....	25.00
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	22.00
Total:	\$142.00

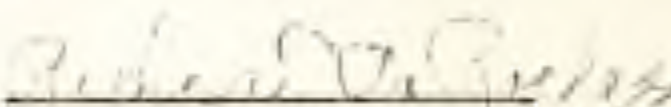
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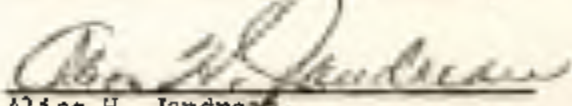
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$ 24.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	9.00
Gambles Store, Red Cross Relief Mattresses.....	52.45
LaRoche Store, Gasoline.....	5.10
Total:	\$ 90.55

Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve payment of the above listed bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Langdeau, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council.

  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council.



## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche, at 1:45 p.m.

## Roll call as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	None
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms	
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
Emma Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

## Others present:

J. M. Cooper, Aberdeen Area Director	
Glenn R. Landbloom, Area Extension and Credit Officer	
Rex H. Barnes, Area Land Officer	
Carl D. Rawie, Area Range Conservationist	
J. Kenneth Long, Field Aid	
John Dunham, Livestock Enterprise Manager	
Helen R. Thompson, Tribal Land Clerk	
R. B. McKee, Superintendent	
Willis J. Adams, Extension Agent	
D. E. Rodgers, Range Conservationist	
Charles Long Turkey	Arlene LaRoche
Henry Good Face, Sr.	Thomas Two Hawk
Joseph Two Hawk	Moses Two Hawk

Mr. LaRoche advised that the officials from the Area Office would be required to give a clear explanation of the new land regulations. He said we wanted to know if the present regulations require members of the Council or tribal employees to bid on their units on the open market, if the lease rentals were to be raised, and the method used to determine the amount of lease rentals to be charged.

Mr. Rodgers said the proposed lease rentals would be on a sliding scale basis. He said the recommendation is the same as was advertised at Rosebud in 1951 which would be to take the average price on cattle per hundred weight which was \$30.00 by 38% approximating \$11.38 per cow unit per year. Mr. Rawie stated that the use of a sliding scale would allow the grazing fee to be adjusted upward or downward each year depending upon the price of beef. He said under this would allow five year permits to be written with both the land owner and the individual operator getting the benefits from current market prices.

Mr. LaRoche asked what would be done if the Council passed a resolution not to agree to increased rentals on allotted lands. Mr. Rawie answered that the Tribal Council has the authority to set the rental on tribal lands, but on allotted lands, they could only make recommendations.

Mr. LaRoche asked if the office considers submarginal lands to be

within the same category as tribal lands. Mr. Rawie that as long as the tribal lease on submarginal lands is in effect, these lands would be considered the same as tribal lands as far as grazing permits are concerned.

Mr. LaRoche asked if, when the Area Office officials were considering raising the lease rentals, the program of our Livestock Enterprise was taken into consideration. Mr. Rawie stated that the land owner is entitled to a fair rent on his land whether it is used by the tribal enterprise, an individual Indian, or a non-Indian. Mr. LaRoche said that if the lease rentals are raised, some of the operators would not be able to meet their expenses. He said also that the Indian Office had always been in favor of having a tribal herd, but by increasing lease rentals beyond a fair rate, the Indian Office would be defeating one of their own programs.

Mr. LaRoche went on to explain that if the leases are raised, the persons with land within the Enterprise units would be getting increased rentals and would still be entitled to their benefits from the Enterprise and that although certain individuals would receive more money from the Enterprise through increased rents, the overall benefits such as the dividend and relief moneys to the members of the Tribe would be either greatly reduced or may have to be cut out of the program entirely if the operating expenses of the Enterprise are too high.

Mr. Rawie said that this sliding scale has been put into effect on various other reservations, and although the increased land rentals compelled the individuals to manage their operations more efficiently than previously, those who were operating on a sound financial basis were not put out of the business. He said he did not believe the individual Indian operators should be subsidized by the land owners.

Mr. Rawie advised that the Area Office has not set any definite rate yet, and if the Tribal Council feels that \$11.50 per cow unit per year is too high on allotted lands, some action should be taken to show what is considered a fair rental. He said also that if the recommendation is to charge the non-Indians a higher rental than the Indian operators, the land owners would undoubtedly want to lease their lands to the white operators. Mr. LaRoche said there was not too much argument on the use of the sliding scale, but we did not want the leases raised to the extent that it would force our operators out of business.

Mr. Rawie was asked why the price of the good land leases for the same price as gumbo hills. He said the operator only pays so much per head of cattle per quarter according to the carrying capacity of the land. Mr. LaRoche stated that some of the gumbo quarters are leased at as much as \$63.00 per quarter in some units, and in some instances, the person with a gumbo quarter is receiving more lease rentals than the person who has the good land. Mr. LaRoche said so long as the Indian Office is taking such an interest in the individual land owner, they should at least see that those land owners with the good land are given a fair rate of rent. Mr. Rodgers said that in the range units, all the allotments go for the same rate. Mr. Rawie said they have not got to the point yet where the lands are broken down into different categories, but he said the land is being leased on a per head basis, not by the acre.



Mr. DeSmet asked if the white operators would be allowed to bid on units needed by Indian operators. Mr. Rawie advised that units for Indian operators with 250 head of cattle or less would be allocated to the Indian operator instead of being put out for bid.

The Chairman said he was told that Councilmen would have to bid on their units. Mr. Rawie said this was not correct.

Mr. Cooper said he was a little disturbed at the concern expressed as to the motives of the Area Office in the matter of grazing privileges. He said he would like to impress on us that the Government is the trustee of restricted trust lands and as representatives of the Government, they are obligated to the individual land owners for certain basic responsibilities. He stated that the Tribal Council is responsible for tribal lands.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said he would insist on the rights granted to our Tribe under the Indian Reorganization Act. He said we should be consulted on any problems concerning the members of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe or their property rather than have the officials make all these decisions and then bring their programs here to be approved.

Mr. Thomas Two Hawk spoke in the Sioux language, interpreted by Mr. Eagle Thunder. Mr. Two Hawks stated that some of the younger generation are just getting started in the cattle business, and it seems that the officials in the Area Office are doing everything they can to discourage them and to put them out of business. He said that while the Indian cattlemen are being put out of business and are on a starvation diet, the people in the Area Office would still be getting their three meals a day.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk said that some ask for permits to sell cattle to get their haying done. She said some can get the permits while others are held back and still they are expected to get hay put up. She asked if the office could not keep the prices within the range of the operators.

Mr. Landbloom stated that he has been interested in the tribal enterprise program as well as that of the individual operators, and he said we had made progress and we have our program that is much more sound than we could find on other reservations. He said that most of the people present were cattle operators, and he wondered what the reaction of others would be who did not have cattle but were land owners.

Mr. McKee said he realized it is extremely difficult for a young man to get a start now, and they needed some encouragement. He said he knows that some of the operators are forced to sell some of their cattle to meet their expenses knowing at the same time that they are indebted to the Tribe. Mr. McKee stated that the per capita payment received by the tribal members does compensate them for a lower lease rental.

Mr. LaRoche advised that he would have Mr. Henry Good Face, SR. circulate a petition among the land owners as to whether or not they wished to have the lease rentals raised.

The Chairman asked if the Area Office had received any correspondence showing that the Lower Brule Tribe was excepted from the current regulations



as promised by Mr. Frank Hutchinson from the Washington Office. Mr. Barnes said the Washington Office had not sent them any word concerning this. Mr. LaRoche explained that since there has never been any instances where individuals have speculated in land transactions, he felt that at least the Tribe should be allowed to purchase land without having to go out and bid on trust lands when we are handicapped already by the amount of money we have for this purpose. Mr. LaRoche said he did not believe we should be penalized on this reservation because of something that has taken place on some other reservation.

Mr. Cooper advised that if there is any doubt concerning any land transactions under the policies stated in Memorandum No. 146, the Superintendent should be consulted. He said that on any tribal or individual land transactions, a statement of justification should accompany the papers that are submitted on the transaction. Mr. Barnes said there is nothing against exchanging lands under this new program. Mr. LaRoche asked about a cash exchange. Mr. Barnes said if the cash is greater than five percent, it becomes a sale rather than an exchange. Mr. Barnes also stated that he did not know of any cases at Lower Brule where there was any land speculation.

Mr. LaRoche said he wondered what caused the great interest in the individual land owner by the Area Office, and he asked what was the purpose of supervised land sales other than to secure more money for these lands. Mr. Barnes answered that before the land appraisals were not kept current, and in certain places some people had taken advantage of this to speculate.

Mr. LaRoche asked what is to keep the individual Indian from selling his land to a white man after it is advertised. Mr. Barnes said nothing if it is to the best interest of everybody, but we could still make a provision that an Indian or the Tribe would have the right to meet the high bid. Mr. LaRoche said the Tribe does not have the money to meet any high bids. Mr. Barnes said there has never been a time when an individual Indian could not get a patent in fee if he insisted on it.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said that too many of these land transactions go to the Superintendent instead of being brought to the Chairman and the Council, and he said, it seems that now we do not have a superintendent. Mr. Eagle Thunder said if the Indians are encouraged to sell their lands, where are they going to go and where will they live. He said the tribal benefits that the individual Indians receive from the Tribe, even if they sell their lands to the Tribe or to another Indian, would more than compensate them since they receive the money from their land and the Tribe still gives them their right to participate in tribal dividends, etc.

Mr. LaRoche said he would still like to know when the Indian Office started thinking in terms of individuals as far as the Indians were concerned. He said it has always been that a set of blanket regulations were set up to govern all Indians regardless of problems involved - that it used to be that they had to all dress alike and all do the same thing. Mr. Cooper stated that there has always been a distinction between individual business and tribal business. He said we are getting down to the fundamental individual rights - that there is no logic telling an

individual allottee, whose land is held in trust, what he can do with that land. Mr. Eagle Thunder asked Mr. Cooper if this is the reason he does not recognize our tribal organization and if he thought the tribal organization should be done away with. Mr. Cooper said he did not believe our organization should be done away with. Mr. Cooper said the officials would go along with the Tribe in an effort to retain the land in Indian ownership. Mr. DeSmet suggested helping the individual Indian operators, as well as the Tribe, to acquire land for their operations.

Mr. LaRoche asked if the Tribe could make an exchange assignment with an individual Indian and have a trust patent issued to the individual instead of an exchange assignment form. Mr. Parnes said that under the Act of 1934 this could be done - that if an individual Indian deeds an allotment and if the Tribal Council is agreeable, a trust patent can be issued on the tribal land which the individual would take in lieu of his allotment. He said, however, that if the individual is just relinquishing an exchange assignment, they could not get a trust patent but would have to take an exchange assignment.

Mr. LaRoche stated that the Tribal Council had received requests for extensions on repayment cattle contracts. He said that due to the very severe winter, some of the operators would need a little assistance to help them along, but he would not recommend a blanket extension to cover all the operators. HE stated that in granting such extensions, we would also have to take into consideration the fact that the breeding herd of the Livestock Enterprise should be kept at 1,000 head or more. Mr. Landbloom said that number is to keep the Enterprise of sufficient size to take care of the expenses and still show some profit. He said that in granting any extensions, they should be granted on an individual basis.

Mr. LaRoche asked if it would be possible for the Tribe to secure a loan from the Government of \$75,000.00 so that we would have more money in our revolving credit fund to assist those who need help in getting established. Mr. Landbloom said that most of the money now in circulation is what is being repaid by the tribes. He advised that the Tribe should make application and submit this application for action. Mr. LaRoche stated that our Tribe has had only \$20,000.00 to start about 30 cattle operators, and that amount for 30 operators is not sufficient to give them the amount they needed to get started.

Mr. Eagle Thunder advised that in April of this year, Congress passed the General Rehabilitation Bill in the amount of 51 million dollars. He asked if there was any chance of getting any of that money. He stated that our young people should be allowed to participate in the Indian Vocational Training Program. Mr. Cooper stated that the Area Office has no information to show that this legislation has passed.

Mr. LaRoche asked if our road from Lower Brule to Reliance would be fixed. Mr. Cooper advised that this is one project they are urging the Indian Office to approve. He said they realize this road is an absolute necessity to our community, and before too long we should receive some information concerning this. He advised, however, that although year after year the Area Office has stressed the need for such construction



they have not received any encouragement that construction projects will have any chance.

Mr. LaRoche asked if the Indian Department has any plans to furnish any snow removal equipment for the coming winter. Mr. Cooper answered that they are planning to do this, and he is depending on the men here who are specialized in running and maintaining heavy equipment. Mr. La Roche stressed the need for adequate equipment for snow removal not only on the road to Reliance, but if possible for all reservation roads to distant parts of the reservation. Mr. Cooper said that he would not be able to state anything definite on this today. Mr. LaRoche said he has always been given promises, but that did not keep our roads open during the past winter. Mr. McKee stated that last winter the roads were blocked by snow about 90% of the time.

Mr. LaRoche also reminded the officials that he had also had promises on a policeman for Lower Brule, but we are still without law and order. Mr. McKee said there is a man available for the job as soon as quarters are ready.

The Chairman said he did not think it fair to the people on the Lower Brule Reservation to have to be neglected by the Area Office as they have been. Mr. Cooper stated that he was here to learn our problems and to assist if possible, but he was tired of listening to the "sniping" at the Area Office. He said the Area Office is none of his doing, and he felt sure that if the people there now could not get the job done, proper adjustments would be made. Mr. LaRoche said that the officials had come to learn about our problems, but when the truth is made known to them, it is called "sniping". He stated that it is true that we have been neglected, but that our Tribe has tried to use the Area Office as a channel to transact our business. He said he was sure if the people in the Area Office would review their records, they would find very few letters of complaint from the people here regardless of the hardships they have had to put up with. Mr. Cooper said he realized this was true, but he would also like to have the Council keep him advised of things and to realize also that the officials can do just so much with each dollar they get under the appropriation. The Chairman stated that as the Government representative here, the Superintendent should keep the Area Office advised of our needs. Mr. Cooper said this was correct; that the Chairman should go through the Superintendent, and the Superintendent in turn would relay this on to the Area Office.

A short recess was called after which the officials departed.

The Chairman advised that if the members desired to begin purchasing land again they would have to rescind the former resolution to withhold all tribal land purchases. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to rescind prior resolutions 52-18 and 52-22 so that the Tribe could continue with tribal land purchases. Motion seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

An application on behalf of Mrs. Mildred DeSmet Hall for an exchange of lands was presented. Mrs. Hall desires to exchange her allotment, LB-1022 for S/2 NW/4, Sec. 31, 106-71, on condition that a trust patent



be issued to her on the land she exchanges for instead of an exchange assignment. The purpose of this exchange is to consolidate family land holdings. Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve this exchange as presented, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

An application for an exchange of lands for Mrs. Amy DeSmet Wells was presented. Mrs. Wells desires to exchange her own allotment, LB-873, for tribal land described as NW/4 SE/4, N/2 SW/4, Sec. 31, 106-71, on condition that a trust patent be issued to her on the land she exchanges for instead of an exchange assignment. The purpose of this exchange is to consolidate family land holdings. Mr. Langdeau moved to approve this exchange of lands, seconded by MR. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. DeSmet moved to adopt a resolution to authorize the Manager of the Livestock Enterprise to use the \$10,000.00 Emergency Fund of the Enterprise for haying purposes for the Enterprise. Mr. Eagle Thunder seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to adopt a resolution authorizing purchase of the following listed equipment to be paid for after the first of next year from funds which will be budgeted for the year 1953 for the Lower Brule Livestock Enterprise:

- One (1) Bulldozer, Serial No. 1488R
- One (1) Power Control Unit, No. P69271R8C
- One (1) Caterpillar Tractor, D-8, SERIAL No. 1H942

all for the agreed upon price of Ten Thousand Dollars, (\$10,000.00) from Mr. F. P. Moore of Burke, South Dakota. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Applications for loans from the following were presented:

1. Joseph Sawalla, House repairs, amount of \$70.00
2. Henry Good Face, SR., House repairs, amount of \$250.00
3. Herbert Flute, Court costs, amount of \$20.00

Mr. Eagle Thunder said in view of the fact that we have no resolution governing loans from our General Fund and since there are no funds available in our revolving credit account, he would move to disapprove the above mentioned loans as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The subject of extensions on repayment cattle was again discussed. Mr. LaRoche said in order not to endanger the status of the Livestock Enterprise and that of the individual cattle operators, he would be in favor of offering to those operators who are actually in need of an extension, to keep the cattle until fall, and then to return the cows to the Enterprise after the calves have been taken off these cows. He said this would give the operator the opportunity to keep these calves and still turn in a bred cow. Mr. Langdeau and Mr. DeSmet both spoke in favor of this plan, and Mrs. Bad Horse suggested leaving the final decision to Mr. Adams and Mr. LaRoche. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to defer payments of repayment cattle for this year until this fall after the calves are weaned to those operators who cannot meet their payments

at this time. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. LaRoche asked the members to voice their opinions on what they think a fair and reasonable lease rental would be. This rate would be what to charge on tribal and submarginal lands and the recommendation to make on allotted lands. He pointed out that if the rate of \$11.50 is accepted per cow unit per year, at ten head per quarter this would bring the lease rental on one quarter of land to \$115.00 plus the additional charge for hay cutting on allotments. He stated that some recommendation should be made. The members all felt that this rate would be in excess of what our operators and the Livestock Enterprise could afford to pay for grazing privileges. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to keep the minimum rate per head per cow unit the same: \$6.85 on allotments for Indian and white operators, hay cutting additional; \$6.85 on tribal and submarginal lands for white operators, hay cutting additional; and \$6.00 on tribal and submarginal lands for Indian operators, no hay cutting charge. Motion seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. LaRoche advised that a petition would be circulated among the people at a meeting so that the land owners would have a chance to say whether or not they agree on increasing the lease rentals.

A letter dated July 1, 1952, from Mr. Joseph W. Thompson was read. Mr. Thompson requested allocation of three additional quarters of land to his present range unit No. 51-A. These three quarters are described as E/2 of Sec. 17 and SW/4 of Sec. 17, 107-75 and would be withdrawn from a non-Indian unit. This matter was tabled to be included when the next permit period allocations are to be taken up for Council action.

A request from Mrs. Arlene LaRoche was read in which Mrs. LaRoche requested that on the repayment of the \$300.00 loan she received from the General Fund she be allowed to repay the loan in monthly installments instead of having the full amount deducted from their cattle sales this fall. Mr. DeSmet moved to approve repayment of Mrs. LaRoche's loan in monthly installments after completion of her schooling. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The following bills were presented:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr., Council.....	\$48.00
Noses DeSmet, Council.....	\$18.40
Jessie Langdeau, Council.....	8.60
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$18.20
Alice H. Jandreau, Mileage.....	\$ 7.00
Joyce Descheuquette, Office work.....	\$19.50
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Delegation expenses.....	\$25.00
Henry Good Pace, Sr., Delegation expenses.....	25.00
Herbert Flute, Janitor Services.....	\$27.00
Total:	\$196.70

Relief Fund:


Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$37.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	\$12.00
Total:	\$49.00

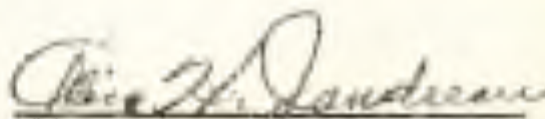
Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to approve payment of the above listed bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. LaRoche brought to the attention of the members the fact that on June 11, 1952, the Council had adopted a resolution approving an exchange assignment to the old Tom Somers place in Fort George in favor of Eugene and Jeanette Swift Hawk. In checking back records, it was found that on May 2, 1951, the Tribal Council had gone on record to give first preference in leasing or exchanging for this place to Mr. Richard P. Thompson. In view of this, MR. Eagle Thunder moved to rescind Resolution No. 52-23, 6/11/52, which would not now allow an exchange assignment to be made to Mr. and Mrs. Swift Hawk. Mr. Langdeau seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. Langdeau moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council



## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. DeSmet at 2 o'clock p.m.

Roll call as follows:

Present:

Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman  
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt. at Arms  
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain  
Emma Bad Horse  
Leslie Langdeau  
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non member)

Absent:

Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman

Others present: D. E. Rodgers, Henry Good Face, Sr., Charles Long Turkey, Clarence Fallis, Tom Myers, and Aldena Langdeau.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on July 7, 1952, were read. Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt the minutes as read, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

A letter dated July 29, 1952, from Ralph H. Case, Sioux Attorney, was read. In this letter Mr. Case advised that Lower Brule Land Claim No. 78 had been dismissed by the Indian Claims Commission on the assumption that the southern boundary of the reservation was and is still good enough for all practical purposes. Mr. Case also advised that the decision of the Indian Claims Commission leaves the boundary of the original Lower Brule Reservation as surveyed but not as provided by the Act of March 2, 1889. He stated that under the Act of August 13, 1946, Indian Claims Commission, Section 20(b) provides for appeal from decisions of the Indian Claims Commission within three months after determination by the Indian Claims Commission. He wrote that if it is the desire of this tribe to have him file an appeal, he would require an appropriate resolution to that effect since such an appeal would require further expenditure of tribal funds.

Mr. Eagle Thunder expressed his views concerning the letter just finished, and he asked that we request an appeal since the acreage taken from the Lower Brule Tribe would amount to approximately 33,000 acres. Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt a resolution authorizing our Sioux Attorney, Ralph H. Case, to file an appeal on the decision of the Indian Claims Commission concerning Lower Brule Land Claim No. 78 in accordance with our present contract with Mr. Case. Mr. Eagle Thunder seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder presented the following which he said the people desired to have as amendments to the tribal constitution and bylaws:

1. To have the Chairman elected by the people, and to have six Councilmembers besides the Chairman, with the three receiving the highest number of votes to remain in office for a term of 4 years and the

remaining three to hold office for two years.

2. To allow participation in tribal benefits for all members of the Tribe, not just the resident members. This would give those off the reservation something to fall back on should they desire to return to the reservation. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that anything they have coming could be deposited to their credit until such a time when they return to the reservation.
3. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that if a person with a homesite or an exchange assignment does not live on that place and improve it, the Tribal Council can take that homesite or exchange assignment away and give it to someone else. He said also that no one is supposed to farm over 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres on a homesite or exchange assignment. He stated that if the people want more authority over the exchange assignments or homesites, then these regulations should be amended.

Mr. Clarence Fallis offered his allotment, D-667 for sale to the Tribe at the price of \$8.00 per acre, or he would be willing to have the Tribe make him an offer. He stated that he preferred to sell to the Tribe. Mr. DeSmet advised that an appraisal would have to be made before any offer could be made.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said that the land transaction of Mr. Dan Grass Rope and others on hand would be tabled until the Land Committee can make appraisals.

Mr. Rodgers advised that heretofore the charge for haying on allotments had been 25¢ per acre, but this year the Superintendent and the Area Office had raised it to 50¢ per acre to non-Indians. He stated that if the Council desired, they could charge non-Indians for hay cutting on tribal lands. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to charge all non-Indians a hay-cutting fee of 50¢ per acre on tribal lands. Motion seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Rodgers stated that before the grazing units could be advertised, the Tribe would have to take some action on the following:

1. The allocation of range units to Indian permittees and the rate upon which such allocations are authorized, provided that such rates shall yield an income on the unit at least sufficient to pay the allottees the minimum rental stipulated in the "Powers of Attorney" or the "Authorities to Grant Grazing Privileges".
2. The class or classes of livestock which will be allowed to graze on each range unit.
3. The average minimum rate per head which will be charged for tribal lands and recommended to the allottees for their lands.
4. The number of years for which grazing privileges are to be author-



ized under both allocation and advertisement, subject to the maximum of 5 years prescribed by law, and subject further to the limitation that the period authorized must enable all permits to expire at the same time.

5. The number of livestock which may be grazed free of charge by any individual, subject to the limitations of 71.9.
6. Whether or not Indians shall be granted the privilege of meeting the high bid on ranges for which they compete.
7. Whether or not the previous permittees shall be given the privilege of meeting the high bid on a given unit, and if so whether or not this shall be given precedence over Indian preference.

In connection with No. 3, Mr. Rodgers explained that the present minimum rate for cattle year long was not adequate when compared with the figures put out by the Bureau of Economics of the Department of Agriculture. He said the figures used to determine what the fair rate would be are: 38% of the average rate per hundred weight for cattle in 1951 which would be 38% of \$29.80 which would equal \$11.52. Mr. DeSmet stated that the Tribal Council had gone on record not to raise the leases because of the decreasing cattle prices and the increase of operating and living costs. Mr. Langdeau asked if the figures used by Mr. Rodgers were based on feeder cattle or grass fed cattle. Mr. Rodgers said the average is taken on all cattle.

Mr. Langdeau said he would be opposed to a five-year permit period. Mr. Rodgers stated that the main object is to protect the individual allottees and not the Tribe. Mrs. Bad Horse suggested that the members be given time to study this before any action is taken. Mr. Rodgers stressed the need for a resolution from the Council in view of the short time we have in which to advertise the units. Mrs. Spotted Hawk made a motion to table the entire matter until the members have had time to think it over. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Votes: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Tom Myers from Presho, South Dakota, was introduced. He said he was representing one of the large oil companies, and if the people were interested in leasing their lands to an oil company, he would have one of their representatives meet with the Council. He stated that the lease would be 10¢ per acre for a ten to twenty-year period, and his company is willing to put as much as a million dollars into one well. He said there would also be a bonus payment plus the lease for the first year providing the company could obtain a lease on a large portion of land, and that the plans are to drill down to 10,000 feet. He advised that the closest place with oil was Williston, North Dakota, where the lease was around 50¢ per acre.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that Mr. E. Y. Berry had advised that these oil leases would go as high as \$4.00 per acre because the oil companies would be making money from our lands. He said he was opposed to such leases. Mr. Langdeau said he thought it would be a good thing, but the lease seemed small. Mr. Eagle Thunder made a



motion to table this matter until the next meeting and to request a representative of this oil company to be present along with Mr. McKee and to explain all phases of this matter to the Council. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

A memorandum dated August 5, 1952, from the Secretary was read in which we are advised that the terms of all present Council members will expire on October 5, 1952, and the Council should call an election 60 days prior to the terms of expiration. Mrs. Spotted Hawk moved to set the date of October 6, 1952, as the date for the next election for Council members. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - 1 against. (Mr. Eagle Thunder voting against.)

Mr. Eagle Thunder explained that he would rather have had some action on the proposed amendments to the Constitution as he had earlier suggested before the passage of any motion to call for the election. He stated that he wished to move to withdraw his proposed amendments to the Constitution since no action was taken on them. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mrs. Eva Bad Horse made application to occupy the tribal house located by the old boat landing at Lower Brule. Applications for the same place were also received from Mrs. Annie Flute and Mrs. Dora Yellow Hawk. Mrs. Flute and Mrs. Yellow Hawk both proposed exchanging 80 acres each of land to the Tribe for this house. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that Mrs. Eva Small had also requested an exchange for this house. He stated that Mrs. Flute already has a house, and the only land she has left is 80 acres which she should retain, and he said, in the case of Mrs. Yellow Hawk, since she is not a member of the Tribe, we would not know if we could grant her request. Mrs. Bad Horse spoke in favor of Mrs. Eva Bad Horse since she has small children and one will be in school this fall. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to allow Mrs. Eva Bad Horse occupy the house in question. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

A letter dated August 6, 1952, from Mrs. Aldena Langdeau was read. Mrs. Langdeau stated in her letter that the Livestock Enterprise had cut hay on her land last year and had not paid for the hay cutting. She said the hay is still on the land, and she would like to have to have the hay released to her in lieu of a money payment. Mrs. Langdeau said that Mr. LaRoche said he would rather she take the money and leave the hay for the Enterprise, but Mr. Durham said he was willing to release the hay if it were all right with the Council.

Mr. Langdeau said he thought the hay should be left for the Enterprise. Mr. DeSmet and Mr. Eagle Thunder both expressed the opinion that if Mr. Durham wanted to release the hay to Mrs. Langdeau, he should have submitted a written statement to the Council. Mr. DeSmet advised that this matter should be settled between Mr. Durham and Mrs. Langdeau since the Tribal Council does

not have jurisdiction over individual allotments or inherited lands. Mrs. Langdeau said she had talked to Mr. Rodgers about this, and he stated that the hay should have been fed out or removed within the year. She said he also told her that she could set her price to 50¢ per acre instead of the 25¢ which was offered.

Mrs. Langdeau stated that this hay was cut on shares by Al Anderson, and she understood that this was not supposed to be done. Mrs. Langdeau said she is not trying to do the Enterprise out of anything as others have done. She told that Mr. Durham said Joseph W. Thompson had fed Enterprise hay to his cattle that the Enterprise had paid \$225.00 to Pierce Felicia to cut.

Mrs. Eliza Flute requested permission to cut 50 house logs on tribal land in Fort George which was formerly the allotment of Elmer LaRoche. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to approve this request, seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk, no objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. DeSmet asked if the people in the Fort Hale area could have the use of the telephone line and installations between here and that area to hook on to a telephone line. He said because of the manner in which they are isolated in that community at times, they desire a telephone line in case of emergencies. It was brought to the attention of the Council that Mr. Howard Lockwood was using the poles from this line to fix his telephone line from his store to the Fred Reuer place. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that when they were in Washington, the Tribe was promised a tribal telephone line to be hooked up to the distant parts of the reservation. He said if Mr. Lockwood is taking these poles, the Tribe should be paid for them since this telephone line, poles, etc. was turned over to the Tribe. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to allow the people in the Fort Hale area the telephone poles, wire, etc. on the line between Lower Brule and Fort Hale. Motion seconded by Mr. Langdeau. NO objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mrs. Bad Horse made a motion to find out if Mr. Lockwood is taking poles, etc. from the tribal telephone line, and if he is, then to have him pay the Tribe. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that his son, William, is getting ready to put in his application for repayment cattle when issues are to be made. He said he would like to have the Council allocate 4 quarters of land so that he would have the land when he puts in his application for cattle. He said his boy had applied for an issue of cattle before but had never been approved, and if this allocation is made, he could be getting the fences fixed. Mr. Eagle Thunder also advised that Stephen Swift Hawk was another one who desired to place his application for repayment cattle. Mr. DeSmet said that all we could do now is to list those who apply for repayment cattle so that they will be considered when the next issue of cattle is to be made. He said he also has a boy who would like to apply for repayment cattle as soon as he is eligible.



Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked if there was a hospital car available here to get our patients to the hospital. Mr. Eagle Thunder said he did not think we would ever get a policeman, so we might as well use the tribal car for medical purposes. Mrs. Spotted Hawk made a motion to have the tribal car stationed at Lower Brule to be used as a medical car. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to request a loan in the amount of \$75,000.00 from the Federal Government. Motion seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The Secretary was requested to hold all requests for land allocations until the grazing units have been allocated.

The following bills were presented:

General Fund:

Moses DeSmet, Council.....	8.00
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$24.10
Leslie Langisau, Council.....	8.60
Henry Good Face, Sr., Meetings.....	12.00
Joyce DeSheuquette, Office.....	\$19.50
Nancy Wilson, Cleaning.....	\$ 3.00
Amelia Felicia, Timbers for bridge.....	\$25.00
Marshall Wells Store, Tools.....	\$35.59
Total:	\$135.79


Relief Fund:

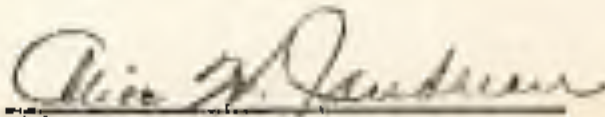
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$48.00
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Council.....	\$15.00
LaRoche Store, Gasoline for Committees.....	\$ 4.50
Total:	\$ 67.50

Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve payment of the above listed bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Bad Horse, seconded by Mrs. Spotted Hawk. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 o'clock p.m.

  
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 Moses DeSmet,  
 Vice Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
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 Alice H. Jandreau,  
 Secretary of the Tribal Council



## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche, at 2 o'clock p.m. Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman	None
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms	
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain	
Emma Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

Others present were Mr. Carl Rawie from the Aberdeen Area Office and D. E. Rodgers.

Mr. LaRoche explained that this special meeting was called for the purpose of taking action on allocation of range units for the coming permit period to begin April 1, 1953.

Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt a resolution to allocate range units to the following Indian livestock operators for the next permit period beginning April 1, 1953, for a term of three (3) years, ending March 31, 1956, subject to the conditions as enumerated in Resolution No. 52-38:

No. 50a Alfred Ziegler	No. 66 Lema and Philip Durkin
No. 51A Joseph W. Thompson	No. 67A Ernest and Harry Bad Horse
No. 52A Richard LaRoche, Jr.	No. 69 Marlowe Langdeau
No. 52B Joseph Langdeau, Sr.	No. 71 John Gilbert Big Eagle
No. 53A Dorothy Jandreau	No. 72 Harry Thompson
No. 54 Amy Carpenter & C. Thompson	No. 73 Floyd W. Thompson
No. 55 Tony Goodlow	No. 74 Carl Victor Thompson
No. 56 Abe Langdeau & sons	No. 75 Alice H. Jandreau
No. 61 Ben Driving Hawk	No. 77 Elmer LaRoche
No. 61A Two Hawk Brothers (3)	No. 78 Andrew Estes
No. 63 Moses DeSmet	No. 80 Amelia Felicia
No. 64 Fred D. LaRoche	Unn. Elmer Durkin
No. 65 Ben H. & Richard Thompson	

Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A written request dated July 25, 1952, from Mrs. Alice H. Jandreau was presented wherein she asked that the SW/4 in Section 16, 107-73, be added to her present unit beginning with the next permit period. Mr. DeSmet moved to adopt a resolution to grant this resolution. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A letter from Mr. Joseph W. Thompson dated July 1, 1952, was read wherein Mr. Thompson requested that he be allocated three additional quarters of land described as E/2 of Section 17 and SW/4 of Section 17, 107-75. Mr. DeSmet moved to adopt a resolution to grant this request.

Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. Floyd W. Thompson requested an exchange of lands with the Tribe as follows provided he would be issued a trust patent for the land he is exchanging for: Allotment L.B.-877 for tribal land described as S/2 NE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 in Section 29, 106-71. Mr. DeSmet moved to adopt a resolution to approve this request, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

A request for an exchange of lands with the Tribe was presented on behalf of Mr. Melvin Thompson. He is also requesting that a trust patent be issued to him for the land he exchanges in lieu of an exchange assignment. The land he wishes to exchange is Allotment L.B.-965 for tribal land described as NW/4 in Section 25, 106-72. Motion by Mr. DeSmet to grant this request, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The Convention Call for the Annual Meeting of the National Congress of American Indians was read. This meeting is scheduled for November 12-14, 1952, with headquarters at the Cosmopolitan Hotel in Denver, Colorado, with the registration of delegates to begin at 9:30 A.M. on November 12, 1952.

Mr. Eagle Thunder said he had requested at the last meeting that the Tribal Council allocate 3 or 4 quarters of land for his boy so that he could be preparing to receive repayment cattle. Mr. LaRoche advised that Mr. Eagle Thunder's boy could obtain a sub-lease on this land if he were issued cattle prior to the next permit period expiration.

During the discussion concerning the land used by Indian operators, Mr. LaRoche said he did not think it was right for the office to allow white operators to pasture cattle and not allow the Indian operators to do the same. He said they would be doing it just to make a living, and he did not think they should be penalized because they were Indians.

Mr. Eagle Thunder advised that Mr. Dan Grass Rope desired to sell the SW/4 of Section 28, 109-76 to the Tribe at the price of \$640.00 which would be \$4.00 per acre. Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt a resolution to authorize tribal purchase of this land at the price stated. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

Mr. Rawie and Mr. Rodgers were admitted to the meeting.

Mr. Rawie said he would like to discuss the matter of allocation of range units and the taking in of non-Indian owned cattle. He said if a range unit is allocated to an operator; then, under the policy as adopted by the office, he may be permitted to take in outside cattle under an approved pasture agreement up to 20% capacity in order to fill out his unit. He stated that the same thing would apply if an operator had bid on his unit and used Indian preference; but if an Indian bids on a unit without using Indian preference, he is permitted to take in other Indian or outside cattle up to the limits of the permit.

Mr. Rawie asked if the Council had set up some kind of a committee to work with Mr. Rodgers on setting up the units. The Chairman said the Land Committee could work with him on this.

Mr. Rodgers said that either the Enterprise would have to do more fencing or have the units adjusted.

Mr. LaRoche asked if the white operators had to fence out the Enterprise. Mr. Rawie said it is difficult to make a blanket statement on fencing since each case would depend upon the circumstances. He said, however, that if you have an established range unit and adjustments are made, it is usually necessary to work out a combination proposition. Mr. LaRoche stated that a white operator has about 5 quarters in an Enterprise unit and his cattle have been running on the Indian-owned land because the fencing has not been done. Mr. Rawie suggested that the manager work out some satisfactory arrangement with this white operator so that the fencing would be done.

Mr. Rawie also advised that if a person withdraws land from an established unit, it is up to that person to fence and protect the land he has withdrawn. Mr. Rodgers said that in a case where an Indian withdraws land from the Enterprise, it is the responsibility of the Indian operator to fence.

Mr. LaRoche asked what the office policy is on an individual who has too much land. He said Ernest Bad Horse stated that some of his unit was going to be taken from him because he had more land than he should have. Mr. Rodgers stated that Mr. Bad Horse always had more land than he needed and besides the size of his herd was gradually decreasing. The Chairman stated that Mr. Bad Horse wanted to hold his unit and take in outside cattle. Mr. Rawie said he would have to review this case and that of the Two Hawk Brothers with the Superintendent before any decision could be reached since both of these parties have too much land and decreasing cattle herds.

Mr. Langdeau asked if a person could save his own land and run cattle on the land he had leased. Mr. Rawie said there was nothing to stop the land owner from doing this.

Mr. Rawie said at Crow Creek they are considering advertising land for non-Indian use without former permitted preference.

Mrs. Bad Horse asked if an individual Indian could withdraw his power of attorney and cut the hay on his land and sell it. Mr. Rawie said this could be done. He said the main thing is that the land is used by Indians, but that the withdrawal of a person's own land being withdrawn, that person would have to fence the land out.

Mr. LaRoche said he did not think anyone could stop an Indian from share-cropping hay on his own land. Mr. Rawie said this was right so long as the land is withdrawn and fenced. He said, however, that unless a person had an exceptionally good piece of land, it would be a risk to think of withdrawing and fencing just to share crop one quarter of land.

Mrs. Bad Horse asked if a person could withdraw his own land to



break up for farming. Mr. Rawie said a person owning land could do just about as he pleased with that piece of land if it is withdrawn from the unit and fenced. He said a person could withhold his own land since the office cannot put land within a unit without the authorization of the land owner himself. He said the only thing on this would be that the Superintendent has, in his discretion, the power to withhold approval of the lease on that land to someone else. He stated that a person should realize that certain tracts of land are good farm land while others are good for grazing only.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked if the Council would accept applications for repayment cattle. Mr. LaRoche said according to the new Enterprise program, the next issue would be made in the spring of 1955, but that the Council could accept application if they desire. He said the purpose of the program that was made was to stabilize the Enterprise and to use some of the earnings of the Enterprise to purchase land that could be used to set up new operators. He advised that it is up to the Council if the members feel that the program should be revised.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked if the Tribe could pay for dental work for tribal members. Mrs. Jandreau advised that the Government was now taking care of the payments for those persons who do not have cattle or steady employment on tooth extractions. She said any of the school children who needed any dental work done should see the nurse so that an authorization could be issued.

Mrs. Spotted Hawk asked for a toilet down at the Enterprise ranch for the Ladies Auxiliary. Mr. LaRoche said she would have to see the Enterprise on this.

Mrs. Bad Horse asked about the lease on the farm land that the Tribe had purchased from Jasper DeSheuquette. Mr. LaRoche advised that the lease on this would not expire until December 31, 1952, and after that time the Council to approve a lease on this or put it up for bids.

Mr. Eagle Thunder requested transportation for 3 delegates to the Cheyenne River celebration to be held on August 27th and 28th. He said the Claims meetings would be held on those two days. The Chairman said Mr. Eagle Thunder, Mr. Charles Long Turkey, and Mr. Henry Good Face, Sr. would be authorized to attend these meetings. Mr. DeSmet moved to approve payment from the General Fund of \$25.00 each to the three delegates to attend these meetings. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

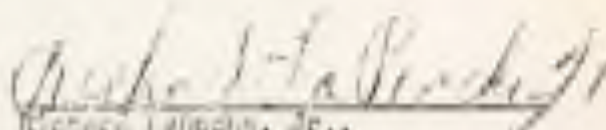
The Chairman announced that the next regular meeting of the Council would be held on the first Wednesday in September.

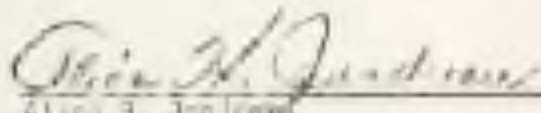
The Secretary requested that the Council appoint a Judge and Clerk to compile the voting lists for posting. Mr. Langdeau moved to appoint Mr. DeSmet as the judge, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against. (Mr. DeSmet not voting.)

The Chairman stated that if extra help is needed, Joyce DeSheuquette would be approved.

Mrs. Bad Horse moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. DeSmet.  
No objections. Vote: 5 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 4 o'clock p.m.

  
Richard Leland, Sr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Alice F. Johnson,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. LaRoche, at 2:30 p.m. Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Richard LaRoche, Chairman	Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms	
Emma Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

Others present: Mr. Dunham, Mrs. Helen Thompson, Mr. R. B. McKee, and Mr. Willis J. Adams.

The minutes of the special meeting held on August 15, 1952, were read. Motion by Mr. DeSmet to adopt the minutes as read, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder gave a brief report on the meetings held at the Cheyenne River Agency during the recent celebration.

Nominations were called for the coming tribal election for Council members.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to appoint Mr. Abe Langdeau as tribal election judge for the Fort George District, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Langdeau moved to appoint Mrs. Alice Medicine Bird as election clerk of the Fort George District, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to appoint Mr. Joseph Two Hawk as tribal election judge for the Iron Nation District, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder made a motion to nominate Mrs. Pearl Langdeau as clerk for the tribal election for the Iron Nation District, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to appoint Mr. Henry Good Face, Sr. as tribal election judge for the Lower Brule District, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Motion by Mr. Langdeau to appoint Mrs. Alice H. Jandreau as clerk for the coming tribal election, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The following places were chosen as voting places:

Lower Brule District.....	Tribal Office
Iron Nation District.....	Jillian White Home
Fort George District.....	Flute Home



A petition for sale of inherited Indian land on Allotment L.B.-314, Benjamin Grass Rope, was presented. This land is described as NW/4 of Section 8, 108-73, consisting of 160 acres to be purchased by the Tribe at \$5.00 per acre. Mr. DeSmet moved to adopt a resolution authorizing tribal purchase of this land at the stated price from gratuity funds to be appropriated. Motion seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. DeSmet made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting a Federal gratuity land appropriation in the amount of \$30,000.00 for tribal land purchased. Mr. Eagle Thunder seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

A letter dated August 25, 1952, from Oscar L. Chapman, Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. C., was read. This letter was an invitation to Mr. LaRoche to proceed to Washington, D. C. September 15 and 16, 1952, to advise and consult with the Secretary of the Interior and other officials of the Department and Bureau of Indian Affairs. The letter advised that transportation and other expenses would be paid for by the Federal Government at the rate of \$9.00 per day in lieu of subsistence expenses while attending the meeting and while traveling to and from home, and \$25.00 per day while on actual duty in Washington. The tentative agenda was enclosed for the information of Mr. LaRoche and the members. Mr. LaRoche advised that he would be glad to have the members make suggestions.

Mr. Eagle Thunder asked if there was any way to get the water system here changed. He stated that the people wanted to get their water from the Missouri River since the pipes and fixtures in our houses are going to pieces from the well water we have to use. Mr. LaRoche said this would be up to the Tribe to do, but most of the people are not paying their rent as they should so we do not have the funds to make such repairs.

Mrs. Bad Horse and Mr. Eagle Thunder both stated that those persons who have other homes should be living there instead of being in one of the tribal houses.

Mr. McKee advised the members that they have been asked to prepare a withdrawal program, and he wondered if the Tribe would have anything to say concerning such a program. Mr. LaRoche said he did not understand why such a program was not brought to the attention of the Council since it would be of vital importance to us if the Government does withdraw what little supervision they now have at Lower Brule. He stated that the Tribe was not furnished a copy of the program but the Government still used the time of tribal clerks in an attempt to prepare such a program. Mr. McKee said the one copy that was sent to Lower Brule was supposed to be for the information of the Tribe since they were short on the copies.

Mr. McKee said for years the Indian Bureau has been carrying on programs for which they have gone to the Congress and asked for appropriations. From time to time, Congress has asked what the Indian Bureau was doing to bring the overall program to a point where it would be

fully developed and where it would be possible to discontinue such services. He said, in other words, they are asking when the Indian Bureau would get out of business. He said it is indicated in the Commissioner's letter that the programs for withdrawal are going to be considered as a very important item in the making of future appropriations.

Mr. McKee stated that one of the questions they are asked specifically to determine is whether the tribes concerned feel that withdrawal of activities is possible of accomplishment at the present time or in the near future or if it should be deferred to some later date.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that he has long urged the people to try to learn to do the things that would help them make a livelihood when the Government does withdraw its supervision. He said he thought the Federal Government should settle all claims with the Indian tribes before any thought is given to total withdrawal.

Mr. DeSmet said that education and training for our children should be given serious thought, as well as going ahead with our tribal land purchase program.

An expense voucher on behalf of Ralph H. Case in the amount of \$21.46 was presented. These expenses were incurred in connection with Black Hills Claim No. 74 under Contract K-i-ind.42041. Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt a resolution to approve payment of this bill, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder gave the following report on various lands which have been appraised by the Land Committee and approved for purchase by the Tribe:

1. L.B.-472, Fannie DeSheuquette, a 1/2 interest of Peter Felicia, \$4. a.
2. L.B.-667, Clarence Fallis allotment @ \$8.00 per acre.
3. L.B.-25, Mrs. Swift Hawk Allotment, a 1/8 interest of Lucy Sargeant,  
@ \$4.00 per acre.
4. L.B.-1026, Andrew Sargeant allotment @ \$4.00 per acre.
5. L.B.-24, Swift Hawk, allotment, interests of Lucy Sargeant @ \$4.00 a.
6. L.B.-773, Mary Elizabeth Swift Hawk allotment, a 1/2 interest of Lucy Sargeant @ \$3.00 per acre.

A written request dated August 6, 1952, from Mrs. Annie Big Eagle was presented. Mrs. Big Eagle requested to exchange the NE 1/4, 22, 107-76, for tribal land described as SE 1/4 in Section 4, 107-73. She also requested that a trust patent be issued in lieu of an exchange assignment. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to approve this request. Motion seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against. (Mrs. Bad Horse was not present when the vote was taken).

Mr. Adams advised that the annual calf sale for Indians would be held at Chamberlain on October 17th.

There was a short discussion on the subject of having two open deer seasons in Lyman County this year. Mr. LaRoche advised that it would be best to have deputy game wardens posted throughout the reservation. Mr.

Eagle Thunder moved to adopt a resolution to prohibit deer hunting on any restricted trust land by non-members of the Tribe. Motion seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections. Vote 3 for - none against. (Mrs. Bad Horse was not present when the vote was taken).

The following bills were presented for payment:

General Fund:

Richard LaRoche, Jr., Council.....	\$ 57.60
Leslie Langdeau, Council.....	\$ 17.20
Moses DeSmet, Council.....	\$ 36.00
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$ 18.40
Joyce DeSheuquette, Office.....	\$ 13.50
Total:	<u>\$142.70</u>

Relief Fund:

Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$ 61.00
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MR. Eagle Thunder moved to approve the above-listed bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Eagle Thunder, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

*Richard LaRoche, Jr.*

Richard LaRoche, Jr.,  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Alice H. Jandreau*

Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council



## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. DeSmet, Vice Chairman, at 2:40 p.m. Roll call as follows:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Moses DeSmet, Vice Chairman	Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms	Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain
Emma Bad Horse	
Leslie Langdeau	
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary-Treasurer (Non-member)	

The minutes of the regular meeting convened on September 3, 1952, were read. Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt these minutes as read, seconded by Mr. Eagle Thunder. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. DeSmet asked if any complaints were on hand concerning the lists of candidates and voters for the tribal election for Council members to be held on October 6, 1952.

Mrs. Arlene LaRoche advised that the name of Antoine LaRoche had been left off the voting list of the Fort George District. She stated that she and her husband keep his children and that the only home he has is with them. She also asked that the names of Dorothy and Stephen Swift Hawk be taken off the voting list since they have not resided on the reservation during the required length of time to allow them to vote during this election. Mrs. LaRoche said that Dorothy and Stephen had both moved away.

Mr. Langdeau said he agreed that the names of Dorothy Swift Hawk and Stephen Swift Hawk should be taken off the voting list for the Fort George District. He said, however, that he did not agree on allowing the name of Antoine LaRoche to be added to the list of eligible voters for the Fort George District since his home was not in that district. He stated that Mr. LaRoche did not stay in one place long enough to establish residence in any one given place.

Mrs. LaRoche said that even Mr. Langdeau had not been on the reservation a year prior to the time he ran for election. Mr. Langdeau stated this was not so, that he had lived on the reservation a year prior to the time of the election. Mr. Eagle Thunder advised that it is up to the members of the Council to settle all matters that come to the Council rather than have a visitor come to the meeting to tell the members what to do.

It was decided by Mr. DeSmet to remove the names of Dorothy and Stephen Swift Hawk from the voting list of the Fort George District and to add the name of Antoine LaRoche.

Mrs. Bad Horse advised that the name of Carmen Stricker should be removed from the voting list of the Iron Nation District since she has been away from the reservation for over a year. She also called attention to the fact that on the petition of Mr. Thomas Two Hawk, James Stricker had signed "Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stricker", but that he was not a member of the Tribe and his wife no longer lived on the reservation.

Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that we have persons whose names appear as tribal members whereas these names would be stricken from the tribal rolls if we went back to the treaty rights. In connection with this, he said that Iron Nation was head of the Tribe during his lifetime, and since the Stricker boys are descendants of Iron Nation, they should be included as members of this Tribe.

Mr. DeSmet ruled that the name of Carmen Stricker be removed from the voting list of the Iron Nation District.

In going back to the question on whether or not the petition of Mr. Thomas Two Hawk would be accepted with only four eligible voters, Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that Mr. Two Hawk's petition should be accepted since the thought of those who had drawn up the tribal Constitution was that if you had either four or five names, you would be eligible to be a candidate. Mr. DeSmet stated that Mr. Two Hawk should be given a chance to correct this petition so that he could be a candidate. He stated that since Milburn Bad Horse is the only eligible voter in the Iron Nation District who had not signed a petition, that Mr. Two Hawk should see him about signing his petition and it would be accepted.

Mr. Eagle Thunder asked the Secretary if anything had been done concerning an attorney contract. Mrs. Jandreau said nothing has been done on executing an attorney contract since we were waiting for the bill to be passed, as well as the 1938 attorney regulations.

Mrs. Bad Horse asked if the Tribe would purchase her 7/18 interest in L.B.-8, Little Elk Estate at the price of \$5.00 per acre. She said she needs funds to take her boy to a good doctor since he is suffering from a serious arm injury. This was referred to the Land Committee.

A request from Mrs. Eva Small was presented in which she asked to occupy the Rehab. house being vacated by the Banks family. Mr. Eagle Thunder said this was left to the Chairman since the Council had turned over all housing problems to the Chairman. He said he understood that the Banks family wanted to keep the house for a certain length of time, and if they did not find satisfactory jobs, then they would have a place to come back to.

Mr. Floyd W. Thompson requested that he be granted a hog house, a chicken house, a tin shop, and a cottonwood shack located at the old ID ranch in Fort Hale. Mr. DeSmet said that he and Mr. Eagle Thunder had seen these buildings, and that as a result of being in the flood, they were gradually going to pieces. Mr. Eagle Thunder moved to approve this request to allow Mr. Thompson to have these buildings. Motion seconded by Mr. Langdeau. NO objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

The Manager's report for the month of September, 1952, was read.

Mr. Eagle Thunder made a motion to compile the list of eligible members to participate in the dividend payment since all children 10 years and over would now be entitled to this payment. Motion seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mrs. Jandreau advised that Mr. Higgins, County Health Officer, had made

a visit to Lower Brule on September 30th to consult with and advise the various officials of the State laws governing health problems in general. Mr. Higgins is also connected with the law and order problems of the State, and he offered his services whenever we need the cooperation of his department in the suppression and control of communicable diseases. He advised that Resolution No. 49-80 which was adopted by the Tribal Council on October 5, 1949, would be more appropriate if it gave the health officials of the county and state, as well as the authorized medical officers of the United States, the right to work with the Council in an effort to curb further contagion in the community of communicable diseases.

Mr. Langdeau moved to adopt a resolution revising prior resolution No. 49-80 to read as follows:

"Upon any written or oral application or complaint of any authorized health officer of the County, State, or Federal Government, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Court is authorized to issue an order requiring any person subject to the jurisdiction of the said court, who is thought to be suffering from a communicable disease, to undergo such examination or treatment as may be necessary to protect the community from contagion. Any person violating such an order shall be subject to the penalties provided under Section 12, Chapter 5, Lower Brule Tribal Code."

Mr. Eagle Thunder seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Henry Good Face, Sr. gave a brief report on the recent meeting of the Black Hills Sioux Nation Council which was held at the Pine Ridge Agency.

Mr. Eagle Thunder explained the various phases of the program of the meeting of the Black Hills Sioux Nation Council. He said the first and most important subject discussed was the withdrawal program; second, tribal problems; and third, selection of a delegation from each reservation to attend the hearings on the Black Hills Claim in Washington this fall. Mr. Eagle Thunder asked that these matters pertaining to tribal claims be taken care of as much as possible now in case the newly-elected Council members do not take an interest in any recovery for the Tribe.

Mr. Eagle Thunder advised also that there are Rehabilitation funds that our people can get and establish themselves. He said this information was furnished by E. Y. Berry who sponsored the bill appropriating such funds. He stated that they are now investigating to find out where all of this money is since the people have not been able to benefit under this program.

Mr. Charles Long Turkey addressed the Council in the Sioux language, interpreted by Mr. Eagle Thunder. He asked the candidates to assemble at the home of Henry Good Face, Sr. on Friday to let the people know their reasons for wanting to be on the Council.

Mrs. Bad Horse stated that the office was planning to take away half of their pasture but that they would like to keep it. She said her son, Harry, would still be needing land to run his cattle, and they had made out



an application for her youngest boy, Daniel, for an issue of repayment cattle. Mr. DeSmet said he believed the Indian had as much right to make money off the land as the white operators and that the Bad Horse family should be allowed to keep their land and take in outside cattle.

The following bills were presented:

General Fund:

Moses DeSmet, Council.....	\$ 12.00
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$ 18.40
Leslie Langdeau, Council.....	\$ 8.60
Alice H. Jandreau, Mileage and money order fees.	\$ 8.55
Charles Long Turkey, Delegation expenses.....	\$ 48.00
Henry Good Face, Sr., Delegation expenses.....	\$ 48.00
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$ 49.00
Joyce DeSheuquette, Office.....	\$ 3.00
LaRoche Store, Gasoline.....	\$ 1.65
Total:	\$197.20

Motion by Mr. Eagle Thunder to approve payment of the above bills as listed, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

Mr. Eagle Thunder made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Langdeau. No objections. Vote: 3 for - none against.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Moses DeSmet  
Moses DeSmet,  
Vice Chairman of the Tribal Council

Alice H. Jandreau  
Alice H. Jandreau,  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

Mrs. Spotted Hawk stated that she had been chaplain for two years, and had never been called upon to offer a prayer. She said she hoped the new members would not hold any grudges and help everyone. Upon request by Mr. McKee, Mrs. Spotted Hawk said a prayer.

Following is a list of the old Council members and a list of the newly-elected Council members:

Old Council  
Richard LaRoche, Jr., Chairman  
Moses DeSmet, Vice-Chairman  
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Sgt at Arms  
Josephine Spotted Hawk, Chaplain  
Emma Bad Horse  
Leslie Langdeau

New Council  
Richard LaRoche, Jr.  
Moses DeSmet  
Herbert Flute  
Peter P. S. Flute  
Emma Bad Horse  
Arlene LaRoche

All members of the new Council were requested to stand. Mr. McKee presided while all members subscribed to the oath of office as provided in Article V of the Bylaws. Mr. McKee then declared the above-mentioned persons of the new Council were duly installed as called for.

Nominations were open for chairman. Mr. LaRoche nominated Mr. Moses DeSmet for Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections.

Mr. Herbert Flute nominated Mr. Richard LaRoche as Chairman. Mr. LaRoche declined the nomination, and Mr. Flute agreed to withdraw his nomination.

Mrs. Bad Horse moved that nominations be closed. Motion seconded by Mr. LaRoche. No objections.

A vote was taken on the nomination of Mr. Moses DeSmet as Chairman. Five (5) for and one (1) against. (Mr. Herbert Flute voting against.)

Nominations for vice-chairman were called for. Mr. LaRoche nominated Mr. Herbert Flute, seconded by Mr. Peter Flute. No objections.

Mr. DeSmet nominated Mrs. Emma Bad Horse, seconded by Mr. Herbert Flute. No objections.

Mr. LaRoche moved that nominations cease, seconded by Mrs. LaRoche. No objections. Vote: 6 for - none against.

The vote was taken by secret ballot: 2 votes for Mr. Herbert Flute, 4 votes for Mrs. Emma Bad Horse.

Nominations for sergeant at arms were in order. Mr. LaRoche nominated Mr. Herbert Flute, seconded by Mr. DeSmet. No objections.

Mrs. LaRoche moved that nominations be closed and that Mr. Herbert Flute be Sergeant at Arms. Motion seconded by Mr. LaRoche. No objections. The vote was unanimous.

Nominations were open for Chaplain. Mrs. LaRoche nominated Mr. Peter Flute, seconded by Mr. LaRoche. Mr. DeSmet moved that nominations cease,

## MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock p.m. Mr. McKee took charge of the meeting by request of Mr. LaRoche until the members of the new Council are sworn in and the officers elected.

Mr. McKee read a letter from Mr. Graham Holmes, Area Counsel. The letter was dated December 2, 1952, and was written in regard to the last tribal election. The opinion of the Area Counsel was:

1. One election was held in the Lower Brule District according to the provisions of the Constitution on tribal elections, and no protest was made. The four elected from this district should be seated to serve as Council members.
2. Two elections were held in the Fort George District in which Arlene LaRoche and Charles Langbeau had both filed petitions. After the second election, both candidates were both protesting the eligibility of at least two voters of the district. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the second election should be seated.
3. Two elections were held in the Iron Nation District. Three candidates filed for election, but the petition of Thomas Two Hawk did not contain the required five names of legal voters. The last decision striking this name from the ballot was correct. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the second election should be seated.
4. Mr. Holmes states in conclusion: "In arriving at the above decisions an attempt has been made to be practical and to settle this matter rather than following any express statute or by-law. It is my suggestion, that before the time for the next election the tribe should enact an election law which will provide a method of settling questions such as have arisen in the past election. The above decisions were also made mindful of the fact that no charge of fraud has been used as a ground for any protest. Under the circumstances it appears that this election was held according to the customs and usages of the council and tribal members."

Mr. Eagle Thunder said that Mr. Holmes had not referred to the Council minutes of October 15th wherein the Council had gone on record to amend the Constitution and act on the enrollment before a new Council was seated. Mr. LaRoche explained that although those subjects had been discussed, no resolution was passed on either. He said that according to the Constitution, the terms of the old Council members had expired at the end of two years, and since their terms had expired, they could not act on anything for the Tribe.

The minutes of October 15, 1952, were referred to, and Mr. McKee read parts of the minutes where different members of the Tribe suggested an amendment to the Constitution and action on the enrollment problem, but as Mr. LaRoche stated, no motion or resolution was adopted by the Council on either.



seconded by Mr. LaRoche. No objections. All voted in favor of Mr. Peter Flute for Chaplain.

Mr. DeSmet took the chair. He promised that during his term as Chairman he would uphold the duties of his office and administer all affairs of the Tribe to the best of his ability. He spoke briefly on the new programs for withdrawal of Federal supervision from this reservation. He said that he has always been in favor of a complete rehabilitation program for our reservation and that we should give serious thought to better schooling for the children and the acquisition of more land for the Tribe. He asked the members to cooperate with the people in order that we may accomplish things which would benefit our people.

Mr. LaRoche was excused from the meeting.

A supplemental budget for the Lower Brule Livestock Enterprise for the month of December, 1952, was presented. Mr. John Dunham, Manager for the Enterprise, was called in to the meeting. The supplemental budget was in the amount of \$6,610.21:

Wages and salaries for December, 1952.....	\$1,400.00
Over-expenditures of the yearly budget.....	\$5,210.21

Mrs. Bad Horse moved to adopt a resolution authorizing the necessary expenditures as called for by the supplemental budget. Motion seconded by Mrs. LaRoche. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mrs. LaRoche asked Mr. Dunham if he had ever been checked in by the Enterprise. Mr. Dunham said he had not. In reference to his bond, he stated that he still did not have a bond. Mrs. LaRoche said this should have been taken care of and that our auditor should have checked the books. She stated also that notices should be put out so that people could send in the names of those who should be on the dividend list for the dividend payment of 1951.

Mrs. LaRoche moved to adopt a resolution to employ Mr. E. M. McCauley, a government accountant, to audit the books of the Enterprise. Motion seconded by Mr. Peter Flute. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against. Mr. McKee advised that he would contact the officials in the Aberdeen Area Office to see if our auditor could come at the earliest possible date. He said the reason they do not allow a Government auditor is for the reason that it would give a feeling that the office is attempting to control the activities of the Enterprise.

The annual operating budget of the Lower Brule Livestock Enterprise for the year of 1953 was presented. Mr. DeSmet said action on this would be withheld until after the audit is complete.

Mr. DeSmet stated that nominations were in order to elect the committees. The members expressed the opinion that they would rather have the Chairman appoint the committee members as has been the policy in the past.

The Chairman appointed Mrs. Arlene LaRoche and Mr. Herbert Flute to the Loan Committee with the understanding that he will work with all committees.

Mr. DeSmet selected Mr. Herbert Flute and Mr. Peter Flute to serve on the Land Committee. No Relief Committee was appointed.

Mr. Adams advised that Dr. Davis, the veterinarian at the Bureau of Animal Industry at Pierre, called him concerning the State program on vaccinating heifer calves. He said it is desirable to vaccinate these calves when they are between the ages of 6 to 10 months; however, they can be vaccinated up to a year if the heifers are not bred. He said all heifer calves vaccinated would be branded this year with a 2 inch "V" brand facing towards the mouth, and each year after that, the "V" would be placed facing another direction. He also advised that the cost per head would be approximately 25¢ each.

Mrs. Bad Horse stated that the Two Hawk Brothers and Mrs. Dorothy Jandreau wanted her to find out about the calves they asked to have returned to them this year. Mr. Adams said both parties had already paid their repayment contracts with the Tribe, and although the Council did pass a resolution approving this, the superintendent did not sign it as approved, and it was not approved in the Area Office. He said the office felt it was an unreasonable request. He stated that this year, the Tribe allowed the operators still under contract to keep their turnback cows through the summer and to sell the calves off these cows. It was done in this manner because of the effects of the past winter on the Enterprise and the individual operators. Mr. Adams said too that if these people who had already settled their contracts with the Tribe were allowed to get calves back a year afterwards, it would open the door to a lot of other claims.

Two letters, both under date of December 12, 1952, from Ralph H. Case were read:

1. The first letter advised that the brief on Appeal from the adverse decision of the Indian Claims Commission on our behalf was filed in the Court of Claims on November 24, 1952, in our reservation boundary lines. Under this Appeal, the Federal Government is allowed 90 days from the date of filing in which to answer, after which our Sioux Attorney will be allowed 30 days in which to file a reply brief. Mr. Case has requested our comments on the brief.
2. The second letter states that the Black Hills Claim comes up for argument on December 15, 1952. The question to be presented at that time is whether or not the Sioux Tribe is entitled to recover just compensation for the Black Hills area and other lands taken from them under the Act of February 23, 1877. If this is held as planned, it will allow us to present evidence to prove what should be a reasonable royalty on the gold extracted from the Black Hills and the amount of timber cut over these years on which we claim a stumpage rate. The claim also includes demand for payment or a rental payment on farming and grazing lands, and compensation for the loss of hunting rights which were guaranteed the Sioux under the Treaty of April 29, 1868.

The following applications for loans from the revolving credit fund were presented as follows:

1. Emma Good Face, the amount of \$125.00 for building repairs,

to be repaid from lease income.

2. Moses DeSmet, the amount of \$1,000.00 for a tractor, to be repaid from sale of livestock and crops.

3. Herbert Flute, the sum of \$100.00 for clothing for school children and fuel, to be repaid from lease income.

4. Viola Quilt, the amount of \$150.00 for house repairs and paint, to be repaid from lease income.

5. Jobe Small Jumper, the amount of \$100.00 for fuel, to be repaid from lease rentals.

6. Ernest Bad Horse, the amount of \$150.00 for house repairs, to be repaid from lease income.

7. Thomas J. Johnson, Sr., the sum of \$60.00 for fuel, to be repaid from lease rentals.

Mr. Peter Flute moved to approve the 7 loan applications as presented, seconded by Mrs. LaRoche. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

All land transactions brought into the meeting were referred to the Land Committee.

An application for a beaver permit was presented on behalf of Thomas Johnson, Sr. to trap 5 beavers at Iron Nation. Mrs. LaRoche moved to approve this request, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

A letter from the Lower Brule Day School was read thanking the Tribe for the contribution to the school of calves which were sold and the funds used by the school.

An application to cut 1500 cedar posts on Jungle Island was presented on behalf of Alfred Ziegler or to cut all cedars from this island and return a one-third share to the Tribe. Mr. Herbert made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mrs. LaRoche asked how many acres the Tribe owns on Jungle Island. She said Mr. Eagle Thunder had advised that the Tribe's share of this island was only 80 acres. Mrs. Bad Horse asked that this be investigated before any action is taken.

A letter from William Fire Cloud was read wherein he requested \$14.00 for keeping order at 2 Indian dances on November 11th and 12th. Mr. Eagle Thunder stated that Mr. Pierce authorized Henry Good Face, Sr. to hire 2 men to serve as deputies for these 2 nights at \$7.00 each per night to be paid from the tribal court fund. Mrs. LaRoche moved to authorize payment of \$14.00 from the court fund to William Fire Cloud. Mrs. Bad Horse seconded the motion. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against. Mrs. LaRoche said, however, that hereafter these things should be authorized by the Tribe in advance.



A request from Merrill Karlen, Jr. was presented. He requested an exchange lease on the land he owns on the reservation for land that joins his place. This was referred to the Land Committee.

The Manager's report for the month of November, 1952, was read.

A memorandum dated November 6, 1952, from the Area Office was read for the information of the people on the procedure for mortgaging trust land as security for loans. This would deal with loans to Indians by non-Indian Service lenders. The following documents would be required:

1. A written statement from the person requesting the mortgage, his personal history, etc.
2. A financial statement showing the net worth of the applicant.
3. A repayment schedule.
4. A title status report covering the land to be mortgaged.
5. A certificate of indebtedness.
6. The original and 3 copies of the mortgage.
7. A letter of recommendation from the Agency Superintendent.

The following bills were presented for payment from the General Fund of the Tribe:

Moses DeSmet, Council,.....	\$ 47.00
Thomas Eagle Thunder, Council.....	\$ 21.00
Arlene LaRoche, Council.....	\$ 44.00
Herbert Flute, Council.....	\$ 21.90
Peter Flute, Council.....	\$ 9.00
Leslie Langdeau, Council.....	\$ 10.60
Charles Langdeau, Election.....	\$ 12.00
Eliza Flute, Election.....	\$ 6.00
Abe Langdeau, Election.....	\$ 13.00
Henry Good Face, Sr., Election.....	\$ 25.58
Emma Bad Horse, Council.....	\$ 26.00
Marilyn Harmon, Office.....	\$ 30.00
Total:	\$326.08

Mrs. Bad Horse moved to approve payment of the above listed bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. LaRoche. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against.

Mrs. Bad Horse made a motion authorizing the Council members to attend the NACI meeting to be convened at Pine Ridge Agency on December 18, 19, and 20th.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. LaRoche, seconded by Mrs. Bad Horse. No objections. Vote: 4 for - none against. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

*Moses DeSmet*  
Moses DeSmet, Chairman

*Alice H. Jandreau*  
Alice H. Jandreau, Secretary