

# Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Tribal Council Minutes August 5, 2024

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Monday August 5, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:15 a.m.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

### Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes

Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell

Secretary-Treasurer: Fely Goodface (absent)

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

Also Attending:

Bill Ziegler

Ben Estes

Lydia Skunk

Lance Witte

Alexis Estes

Wilma Wilson

Brian Wagner

Josie Skunk

## 1. Close July 2024 Meeting

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve closing the July 2024 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

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

### 2. Approve July 2024 Minutes

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the July 2024 minutes. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

### 3. Veteran's Report

Vice Chairman Cody Russell provided an update on the Veterans of Lower Brule. No Action Taken.

### 4. 2024 Men's Softball Request

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the amendment to the 2024 Men's Softball budget. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

## 5. Lower Brule Pow Wow Committee

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the bid from Ferding Electric in the amount of \$9,670.00 for on call services for the 2024 Pow Wow. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

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

### 6. Lower Brule Enrollment Committee

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the request from the Lower Brule Enrollment Committee to raise their stipend amount per meeting and to include the enrollment clerk. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

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

## 7. Lower Brule Criminal Code Revision

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the proposed changes and updates to the Lower Brule Criminal Code. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

## 8. Mni Sose Water Quality Protection

Tabled.

### 9. TED/Lower Brule Head Start

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the continuation and re-contracting of the Education Technical Assistance in the amount of \$800,000 for five years for the Lower Brule Day School and Tribe. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the bid from House of Glass in the amount of \$28,645.74 for the purpose of replacing windows at the Head Start Building. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the cost-of-living adjustment for the Head Start staff. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Head Start calendar for 2024-2025. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

## 10. Lower Brule Schools

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve and support the Special Education Policy Update. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the bid from Hickey Heating LLC., in the amount of \$45,569.47 for the replacement of an air conditioning unit at the high school building. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

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

# 11. Lower Brule Higher Education Department

An update was given on the higher education application and grievance policy. No Action Taken.

## 12. Chief Financial Officer Update

CFO Bill Ziegler provided an update to the council on budgets, current projects and his weekly meetings with the finance staff.

No Action Taken.

### 13. Lower Brule Personnel

Closed Session 11:45 a.m.

### Lower Brule Head Start

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to hire Ramona Johnson for the position of Nutrition Manager, with Jarrett Brouse as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire Ervin Flute Jr. for the position of Nutrition Manager, with Jarrett Brouse as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the Parent Policy Council's recommendation to hire Harlee Langdeau for the position of Teacher's Aide, with Deanna White Light as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

### Lower Brule Counseling Service

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Director's recommendation to hire Elijah Walls for the position of Case Worker. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

Recess 12:54 p.m.

# **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in Regular Session with a quorum present on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe



# Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Tribal Council Minutes August 16, 2024

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Friday August 16, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:15 a.m.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

### Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes

Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell

Secretary-Treasurer: Fely Goodface (absent)

Council Member: Jewel Jandreau

Council Member: Chris Skunk (telephonic)

Council Member: Lewis Grassrope

Also Attending:

Anne Whitney

Roger Lynn

Wilma Wilson

Josie Skunk

Ben Estes

Bill Ziegler

Tim Azure

## 1. North American Local

Mr. Lynn requested to do a free site survey in Lower Brule on Solar Energy with a liaison to show him around the community. Results would be presented to the council. The Council advised him to work with the Housing Authority and CFO Bill Ziegler.

No Action Taken.

### 2. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Closed Session 11:00 a.m.

## Lower Brule Daycare Program

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve hiring the following individuals as additional staff for the Daycare Program: Jarrett Brouse, Jayna Brouse, and Lazaya Estes, with alternates being Antoinette Johnson and Ally Thomas. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

## Lower Brule Roads Department

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire Timothy Estes for the position of Administrative Assistant. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

### Lower Brule EPO

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to hire Jarvis Skunk for the position of Solid Waste Coordinator. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Open Session 11:18 a.m.

### 3. Secretarial Election Committee

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to appoint Martha Thompson and Sheryll Scott for the Secretarial Election Committee alongside Russell Hawkins, BIA. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

### 4. Black Hills MOU, Co-Stewardship, Sacred Sites

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve a resolution for an MOU with the U.S. Forrest Service, join Great Sioux Nation Sacred Sites Board, and enter Co-Stewardship agreement with the National Parks Service. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

## 5. One Fire Contract

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the continuation of One Fire Associates, LLC Agreement with the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Fely Goodface).

## 6. Lower Brule Wildlife Department

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the bid from Hrabe Flying Service in the amount of \$10 per acre for the purpose of thistle control in pastureland. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

### 7. IM28

Tabled.

### 8. Lower Brule EDA

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the Lower Brule Farm Corporation to apply for and borrow Lower Brule Sioux Tribe's SSBCI Funds. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Change Order No. 2-Engineering for the Grocery Store and authorize Chairman Estes to sign. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Recess 12:01 p.m.

# **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in Regular Session with a quorum present on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe