

**Lower Brule Tribal Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**The Special Session of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Ramkota Hotel, Rapid City, SD on the 3rd, day of September, 2015 and was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by the Acting Chairman, Kevin Wright, Council Meeting was held in Rapid City, SD:**

**Present**

Kevin Wright, Acting/Vice Chairman  
Sonny Ziegler, Sergeant-At-Arms  
Desiree LaRoche, Council Member

**Absent**

Orville C. Langdeau, Jr.,  
Secretary-Treasurer  
John McCauley, Council Member

**Also Present**

Sheryl Scott, Acting Recording Secretary

The Meeting was opened with traditional Prayer by Traditional Chief Steven C. Emery, Esq.

**Motion to hire Steven C. Emery, Emery Law Firm**

*Questions on whether consultants could also be hired including:*

*Mark Van Norman 29 years experience*

*Tom Van Norman 23 years*

*Steve Gunn 24 years*

*Steve Emery 26 years*

*A separate consultant contract but Steve would manage them and get the work done effectively. (Steve also wants to review every tribal contract.)*

A motion was made by Desiree LaRoche to hire Attorney Steven C. Emery, Esq., Emery Law Firm, second by Sonny Ziegler, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

**Recognize and reaffirm selection of Mr. Lewis Grassrope to fill vacant Chairman seat. Mr. Lewis Grassrope now appointed Chairman of The Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. Mr. Lewis Grassrope was sworn in as Chairman of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe by Traditional Chief Steven C. Emery, Esq.. Statement of this appointment of this vacant seat to be made immediately to the press.**

Motion made by Kevin Wright, second by Desiree LaRoche, 3 yes, none not-voting, 2 absent.

Motion passed.

**Kevin Wright meeting with Mr. Kernit Grimshaw of Wells Fargo, Mission SD. See resolution 2015-101**

Motion was made by Kevin Wright, second by Desiree LaRoche, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

**The present Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Farm Board be abolished and three new executive board members be seated to include Lower Brule Tribal Members: Benjamin Thompson, Todd Bowman, and William Long Turkey**

Motion made by Sonny Ziegler, second by Desiree LaRoche, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

*Newly hired Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Attorney Steven C Emery, Esq. asked that a letter to Sen. Tim Johnson be sent thanking him for all his work and attendance at the funeral of former/deceased Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Chairman Michael Jandreau.*

**Add Chairman Lewis Grassrope, Sonny Ziegler, and Kevin Wright to all Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Banking Signature Cards**

Motion was made by Sonny Ziegler, second by Desiree LaRoche, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

**Reaffirm Frank J. King, National Native Media & Consulting contract for consultation/security**

Motion made by Kevin Wright, second by Sonny Ziegler, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

**Enforcement of Vice Chairman, Kevin Wright's termination letter effective immediately to General Manager Lee Brennan**

Motion made by Sonny Ziegler, second by Kevin Wright, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

**Enforcement of the termination of Administrative Officer Scott Jones immediately**

Motion made by Kevin Wright, second by Desiree LaRoche, 3 yes, none not-voting and 2 absent reflecting an affirmative vote.

Motion passed.

**Tribal council reviewed and hereby adopts the minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as presented and attached hereto. As forth hererin.**

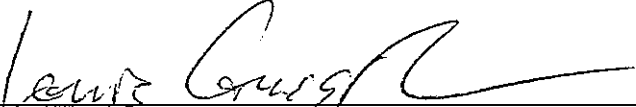
**Recess**


There being no further business the meeting Recessed at 4:03 p.m.

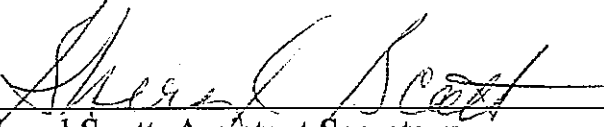
Chairman Lewis Grassrope called a recess.

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in a regular session, with quorum present, on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, day of September 2015.

  
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Lewis Grassrope, Chairman

  
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DesiRee LaRoche, Acting Secretary

  
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Sheryl Scott, Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION OF THE LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL

APPOINTING DESIREE LAROCHE AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE TO SERVE AS TRIBAL COUNCIL SECRETARY WHEN THE ELECTED SECRETARY IS UNAVAILABLE.

WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, as empowered by the Constitution and Bylaws, Article VI, Section 1, (e), the Tribal Council as authorized by law to safeguard and promote the peace, safety, morals and general welfare of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and to regulate the conduct of trade and the use and disposition of property upon the reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council (hereinafter "Tribal Council") cannot perform its duties in the absence of its elected officers. Orville C. Langdeau, Jr., the elected Tribal Secretary is unavailable during Regular and/or Special Tribal Council meetings. Thus, the Tribal Council exercises its authority to elect officers under the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Constitution (hereinafter "Const."), Art. III, § 3, which provides in relevant part:

The Tribal Council so organized shall elect from within or outside of its own members (1) a Secretary . . . and (4) other such officers and committees as may be deemed necessary, but such other officers and committees shall have no vote in the Tribal Council....

*Id.*; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal By Laws, Art. I, Duties of Officer, § 4, Secretary of the Tribal Council, provides:

The Secretary of the Tribal Council shall conduct all tribal correspondence and shall keep an accurate record of all matters transacted at Tribal Council meetings. It shall be his duty to submit promptly to the Superintendent of the jurisdiction and Assistant Secretary of Interior copies of all the minutes of regular and special meetings of Tribal Council. He shall be present at all special and regular Tribal Council meetings.

*Id.*; and

WHEREAS, in exercise of its authority to elect a Secretary for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, Const., Art. III, § 3; the Tribal Council hereby elects Tribal Council Representative Desiree Laroche as Acting Secretary of the Tribal Council

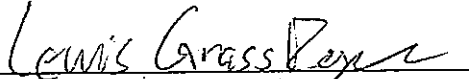
whenever Orville C. Langdeau, Jr., the elected Tribal Secretary, is unavailable during posted Regular and/or Special Tribal Council meetings; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby elects and authorizes Representative Desiree Laroche as Acting Secretary of the Tribal Council in the absence of Orville C. Langdeau, Jr., the elected Tribal Secretary, to perform all requisite duties of the Secretary of the Tribal Council.

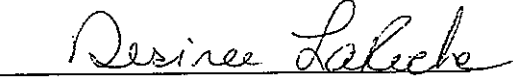
#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council, assembled in Special Session, with quorum present, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015, by the affirmative vote of 3 members for, none opposing, 2 absent and 0 not voting.

Attest:

  
Lewis Grassrope, Chairman  
Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council

Attest:

  
Desiree Laroche, Acting Secretary  
Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council

RESOLUTION OF THE LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL

DESIGNATING SIGNATORIES FOR LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE FOR WELLS  
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WHEREAS, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, as empowered by the Constitution and Bylaws, Article VI, Section 1, (p), the Tribal Council is vested with the authority to:

manage any and all economic affairs and enterprises of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and to engage in any business not contrary to state or federal law applicable to Indian Tribes that will further the economic development of the tribe or its members and to use tribal funds or other tribal resources for such purposes....

*Id.*; and

WHEREAS, in exercise of the said authority, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council (hereinafter "Tribal Council") **hereby rescinds and revokes all prior designations of signatories for its Wells Fargo bank accounts** and hereby recommends that the Tribal Council appoint and designate the following Tribal officials as signatories for its Wells Fargo bank accounts and further recommends that the Tribal Council authorize and direct Wells Fargo to recognize that the official signatories for its Wells Fargo bank accounts from this day forward-- unless and until rescinded and/or revoked in writing by the Tribal Council--shall be and hereby are vested with the signing authority of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe:

**LEWIS GRASSROPE, DESIREE LAROCHE,**

**KEVIN WRIGHT AND SONNY ZIEGLER**

*Id.*; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby in exercise of its authority to manage any and all economic affairs and enterprises of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, Const., Art. IV, § 1(p), the Tribal Council hereby appoints, authorizes and designates the following Tribal officials as signatories for its Wells Fargo bank accounts and further authorizes and directs Wells Fargo to recognize that the official signatories for its Wells Fargo bank accounts from this day forward-- unless and until rescinded and/or revoked in writing by the Tribal Council-- shall be and hereby are vested with the signing authority of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe:

**LEWIS GRASSROPE, DESIREE LAROCHE,**

**KEVIN WRIGHT AND SONNY ZIEGLER.**

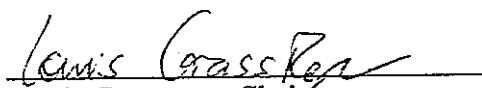
*Id.*; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that **this resolution is effective upon execution and notice to Wells Fargo, in person, from the said designated officials of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.**

CERTIFICATION

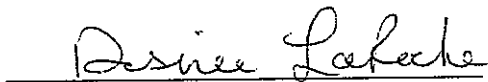
The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council, assembled in Special Session, with quorum present, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015, by the affirmative vote of 7 members for, none opposing, 2 absent and 0 not voting.

Attest:



Lewis Grassrope, Chairman  
Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council

Attest:



Desiree Laroche, Secretary,  
Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council