



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
October 4, 2023**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday October 4, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:17 am.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes
Vice Chairman: Neil “Cody” Russell
Secretary-Treasurer: Fely Goodface
Council Member: Jewel Jandreau
Council Member: Chris Skunk
Council Member: Lewis Grassrope

Also Attending:

Sheryll Scott	Jordan Poirier	Avery Thompson	Stephanie Bolman
Todd Bolman	Shirley Crane	Loretta Ryan	Christine Olson
Victoria Grey Owl	Janice Larson	Tim Azure	Lance Witte
Wilma Wilson	Brian Wagner	Kevin Wright	James Two Bulls
Houston Rouillard	Bert Bucher	Josie Skunk	

1. Close September 2023 Meeting

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve closing the September 2023 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

2. Approve September 2023 Minutes

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the September 2023 minutes. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

3. Lower Brule Health Administration

Motion was made by Fely Goodface to approve the bid from Todd Bruske Construction in the amount of \$45,757.00 to replace the sidewalk and street curb drain at the Lower Brule Tribal Administration Building. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

4. Jason Goodface Request

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to support the 2023 Community Halloween Dance, after all fundraisers and donations have been completed the Tribe will help with any shortfall. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

5. Lower Brule Health

The Director is still working on obtaining a mental health provider for the community.

Motion was made by Fely Goodface to utilize/direct the Lower Brule Housing grant writer to assist with writing a grant and/or help with funding for the homeless shelters. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

6. Emma Goodface

Ms. Goodface addressed the council on General Assistance funding and policies as it applies to job training.

No Action Taken.

7. Lower Brule Schools

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the bid from Electrowatchman in the amount of \$262,581.89 for the purchase of camera equipment and vape detectors. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

8. Tribal Education Department

Higher Education payments will be sent out to the colleges/universities in mid-October 2023.

9. Todd Bolman

Mr. Bolman addressed the council on the Farm Board.

No Action Taken.

10. Kevin Wright

Mr. Wright made a request for the tribe to help with purchasing a van to help transport ten employees to job sites for MSG. The Lower Brule Community College has a van for sale. Vice Chairman Cody Russell will look into this.

No Action Taken.

Closed Session 12:34 pm

Open Session 1:06 pm

Recess 1:07 pm

Return 1:55 pm

11. BIA

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to transfer homes site #225-236-0732 to Anne Whitney. This motion was seconded by Fely Goodface.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve a home site application for Loretta Grassrope-Ryan and Mike Ryan on Tribal Tract T4008. This motion was seconded by Fely Goodface.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Recess 3:30 pm

Return 3:36 pm

12. Bert Bucher

Closed Session 3:36 pm

Open Session 4:01 pm

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to banish Jordan Pourier from the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe for a period of ten (10) years. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

13. Tribal Manager Update

Motion was made by Fely Goodface to approve the bid from Bituminous Paving Inc. in the amount of \$153,671.18 to complete the West Brule Sewer Project, upon completion of all financial documents. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion and second were withdrawn.

No Action Taken.

14. Other Business

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve membership for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe with the National Congress of American Indians. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the bid from Morris Inc., in the amount of \$165,575.00 to complete the West Brule Sewer Project. This motion was seconded by Fely Goodface.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Lower Brule Department of Wildlife, Fish and Recreation to apply for the BIA Tribal Climate Resilience Grant Proposal. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve HPP funding through Public Law 93-638. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Fely Goodface to approve to close out MOA with Central Federal Lands Highway Division for the TIGER Grant. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve the down payment on a pre-engineered metal building for the new grocery store project. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion died with the vote being two for (Lewis Grassrope, Cody Russell), two abstaining (Chris Skunk, Jewel Jandreau) and one against (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to request through BIA to re-contract all active and existing 638 programs for FY2024. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the bid from Select Coating in the amount of \$6,854 for flooring in the Tribal Building. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve a 25-year lease agreement with the Lower Brule IHS to construct two units. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Great Plains Tribal Leaders' Health Board. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Lewis Grassrope).

15. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Closed Session 5:40 pm

Lower Brule Elderly Nutrition Program

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve hiring Sandra Abdo for the position of Elder Nutrition Director. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Lower Brule General Counsel

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve hiring Adam DeHueck for the position of General Counsel, with the MOU to be negotiated. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Lower Brule Tribal Court

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve hiring Martin Charger for the position of Lakota Culture Consultant. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion and second were withdrawn.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to readvertise the position of Lakota Culture Consultant. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve to employ/contract Siebrasse Law Office for the position of Public Defender for one year. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one against (Fely Goodface).

Red Tail Express

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to readvertise the position of transit bus driver. This motion was seconded by Lewis Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Lower Brule Tribal Manager

Motion was made by Lewis Grassrope to approve hiring William "Pooh" Ziegler for the position of Tribal Manager. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion died with the vote being two members for, three abstaining (Chris Skunk, Fely Goodface, Jewel Jandreau).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve hiring Tamara Grove for the position of Tribal Manager, with William "Pooh" Ziegler as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

Motion died with the vote being three members for, two abstaining (Lewis Grassrope, Cody Russell).

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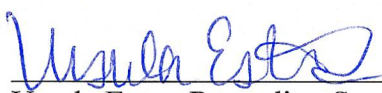
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Motion died with the vote being three members for, two abstaining (Lewis Grassrope, Cody Russell).

Recess 6:06 pm

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 4th day of October, 2023.



Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
October 18, 2023**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday October 18, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:34 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 (telephonic)
Council Member: Jewel Jandreau
Council Member: Chris Skunk
Council Member: Lewis Grassrope

Also Attending:

Sheryll Scott Adam de Hueck

1. Lower Brule Constitution Committee

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to request the Secretary of Interior to conduct a Secretarial Election for qualified voters to have the opportunity to vote on the proposed amendments. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being five members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Recess 10:45 a.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 18th day of October, 2023.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe