

New Chairman Sworn In For Troubled Lower Brule Sioux Tribe

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The Lower Brule Sioux Tribe has a new leader as part of changes to the tribal administration in the wake of allegations of financial mismanagement.

Thirty-eight-year-old Lewis Grass Rope was sworn into office earlier this month. Grass Rope ran for the chairman's post last year but lost to Michael Jandreau by 28 votes.

Jandreau died in April at age 71 due to complications from pneumonia and heart disease. He had guided the tribe for decades. Leading up to his death, he had faced allegations of financial wrongdoing.

Grass Rope says he looks forward to getting things turned around and doing things right.

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