



# LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE

## MINUTES

### September 2, 2020

**The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council Meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on September 2, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Boyd Gourneau at 10:03 AM.**

**The Opening Prayer was led by Chaplain John McCauley  
The Tribal Council Meeting was dedicated to the ones we have lost:  
Kalvin Johnson, Kenneth Harmon**

#### **Roll Call:**

#### **Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council Members Present:**

**Chairman Boyd Gourneau**

**Vice-Chairman Neil "Cody" Russell**

**Secretary/Treasurer Orville Langdeau Jr.**

**Council Member Clyde Estes**

**Council Member Marvin Grassrope Sr. (entered the meeting at 10:49)**

**Council Member John McCauley**

**Also Present:**

Schools – Superintend Mr. Lance Witte, Brian Wagner

LBST Attorney - Randy Seiler

BIA Law Enforcement- Chief House, Lieutenant Erick Crazy Bear

IHS Clinic CEO - Kim Schweitzer

Health Administration- Christy Olsen

Wildlife Director-Joel Bich

LB Election Committee Members-Bessie Loudner, Karen Jones, Elva Stricker

**1. Approve to Close 2020 August Tribal Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to close the August 2020 Tribal Council Meeting.

This motion was seconded by John McCauley.

**Vote being:** Cody Russell for, Orville Langdeau Jr. for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. absent.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**2. Approve August 2020 Minutes**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the 2020 August Minutes.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. absent.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**3. Approve to Certify the 2020 Tribal Election**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to certify the 2020 Tribal Election.

This motion was seconded by John McCauley.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope absent.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**4. School Update- Superintend Mr. Lance Witte – Brian Wagner  
School Report Attached**

**5. Approve Wireless Contract-A Better Wireless, NISP, LLC Company to do the Wireless Internet across the Lower Brule Reservation**

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the contract with A Better Wireless, NISP, LLC to do the wireless internet across the Lower Brule Reservation.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. absent and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**6. Approve Lower Brule School Request-Carpet Replacement**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the Lower Brule School request carpet replacement project.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. absent.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**7. Approve Lower Brule School Purchase New Bus**

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the Lower Brule School request to purchase a new bus (if funds are available).

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. absent and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**8. LB Schools Consultant Brian Wagner**

**UV Lighting in Schools in all rooms. Send request to CARES Committee.**

**Headstart Grant to add on to school building.**

**ID Spending Plan**

**9. Approve Appointment Boyd Gourneau LBC Board**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the appointment of Boyd Gourneau to the LBC Board.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. absent and Clyde Estes for.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent and none not voting.

**10. Law Enforcement Report-Chief House, Lieutenant Erick Crazy Bear**

Discussion held: School Officer and Corrections.

**Tribal Council Member Marvin Grassrope Sr. entered the Tribal Council Meeting at time (10:49am).**

**11. Approve Grant Application Native Women's Society of the Great Plains COVID 19 Grant for Restoring Hope Program**

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the grant application to the Native Women's Society of the Great Plains COVID 19 Grant for the Restoring Hope Program.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**12. Approve LB Facilities Program Purchase Water Heaters and Repair Tribal Elevator**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the LB Facilities Program to purchase water heaters and repair Tribal elevator.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**13. IHS Clinic Report- Kim Schweitzer**

1824 People tested so far

75 Positive

0 Active

83 Recovered

Still doing testing at the main building, will have a separate building for the flu testing

Started opening back up slowly, it will be in steps.

September 22 tests 150 and random testing 20 a day

2 COVID positions open at the clinic

LPN Position open

**Health Admin Director-Christy Olsen**

0 active cases

Will be replacing flooring in the Health Administration part of the building.

**14. Approve Purchase Flooring-Patent Transport, CHR, Substance Abuse Programs and Hallway**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the request from Health Administration to purchase flooring for the - Patent Transport, CHR, Substance Abuse Programs and the Hallway (the LB Procurement Policy was followed for this purchase).

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**15. Approve Contract with Regroup Telehealth Staffing Company**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the contract with the Regroup Telehealth Staffing Company to provide behavior health staffing to Health Programs.

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**16. Approve Vehicle Policy-All Health Administration, CHR, Patient Transport, Substance Abuse, Mental Health, and Ambulance vehicles will used for Program Use ONLY any Personal use will not be allowed**

Motion was made by John McCauley to the Vehicle Policy for all Health Administration, CHR, Patient Transport, Substance Abuse, Mental Health, and Ambulance Program vehicles. These vehicles will be used for Program use ONLY any Personal will not allowed. This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**17. Approve Hazard/Essential Employee Pay Request-Lower Brule Food Distribution Program**

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve the request from the Lower Brule Food Distribution Program for Hazard/Essential Employee Pay (as long as it is allowable in the program).

This motion was seconded by Clyde Estes.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**18. Approve Wildlife Program Hunting Season (with Changes)**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the 2020 Wildlife Program Hunting Season with changes.

This motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau Jr.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**19. Approve Hire Headstart Director-Sadie R. Jandreau**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to select Sadie R. Jandreau as the Headstart Director.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes not voting but vote goes with majority, Marvin Grassrope Sr. against.

Motion carried with vote being four members for, one opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**20. Approve Hire Headstart Aide-Haleigh S. Estes**

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve to select Haleigh S. Estes as the Headstart Aide.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**21. Approve Hire CHR-Jody Traversie**

Motion was made by Orville Langdeau Jr. to approve to hire Jody Traversie as the CHR.

This motion was seconded by John McCauley.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes not voting (vote goes with majority), Marvin Grassrope Sr. for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

**22. Approve Hire Warehouse Person/Distributor-Laneisha M. Hood**

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to hire Laneisha M. Hood as the Warehouse Person/Distributor.

This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

**Vote Being:** Orville Langdeau Jr. for, Cody Russell for, John McCauley for, Clyde Estes for, Marvin Grassrope Sr. for.

Motion carried with vote being five members for, none opposing, none absent and none not voting.

There being no further business, the Tribal Council Meeting recessed at 12:20 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 quorum present on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day September, 2020.

*Mary Jane Gourneau*  
Mary Jane Gourneau, Recording Secretary  
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe