

LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
LOWER BRULE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57548
REGULAR MEETING, OCTOBER 2, 1974

The regular meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the tribal Office on the 2nd. day of October, 1974, and was called to order by the Chairman, Michael B. Jandreau, with roll call as follows:

PRESENT: Michael B. Jandreau
Grace Estes
J. W. Thompson
Andrew Estes
Jerauld Jandreau
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau

The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer, led by the Chaplain, Andrew Estes.

(1)

EDUCATION GRANTS - Applications for education grants were reviewed. Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve them. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with six for and none against.

(2)

PLANNING OFFICE - The annual report was submitted by the Planning Office at the last meeting. Also the Lower Brule economic brochure has been published and ready for distribution. J. W. Thompson stated that off reservation members should receive one; they can be mailed with the minutes of this meeting. Grace Estes made a motion to approve the annual report and the brochure. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with six for and none against.

(3)

SPEEDING IN COMMUNITY - Harrison Fields and Gerald Roy proposed to place "speed bumps" in the streets to deter speeding in the community, especially on the longer streets. This will be done through the road department and will be paid for by them. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with six for and none against. Signs will be posted at all entrances to warn drivers of this.

(4)

GIFFORD RANCH - Mr. Halverson was under the impression the Gifford Ranch was open for bid. J. W. Thompson told him that if no Tribal members wanted it, that it probably would be put out on bids. The bid will be placed on file and will be considered when the present lease is up.

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VIOLATION OF LEASE - The Superintendent notified Karlen of the cancellation of his lease for violation of stipulations, he is still cutting and removing hay. The Superintendent stated that a federal court injunction is needed, a Tribal one would not stand up.

(6)

REINVESTMENT OF TRIBAL TREASURY FUNDS - Andrew Estes made a motion to reinvest Tribal Treasury Funds held in a certificate of deposit that is now mature, reinvesting for a period of six months. The motion was seconded by Jerauld Jandreau and carried with six for and none against.

(7)

INTERVIEW OF APPLICANTS - Further interviews were held with applications for the Tribal Business Manager position. The final decision will be made at the end of today's meeting.

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CETA PROGRAM - Everett Wilson and John Courmoyer presented the CETA program, Title 2 and 3, The program will provide employment for approximately 11 people, mainly for unemployment adult heads of household. They asked for approval of the program by resolution. J. W. Thompson made a motion to adopt a resolution supporting the CETA program.

The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and one absent (Orville Langdeau having left the meeting at 2:15 p.m.).

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SELECTION OF TRIBAL BUSINESS MANAGER - With all applications being reviewed and interviews carried out, the Chairman asked the Council for their selection. By secret ballot, Mr. Samuel L. Kosko was elected to fill this position.

(10)

NCAI CONVENTION - The National Congress of American Indians will hold their annual convention October 20 -26 in San Diego, Ca. Grace Estes made a motion that all members of the Tribal Council attend the meeting, along with the Recording Secretary. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and one absent.

(11)

RESERVATION DECLARED DISASTER AREA - The economic difficulties of ranchers and the reservation as a whole was discussed, centering about the lack of rain, leading to diminished grass supply, along with the low prices of beef.

Andrew Estes made a motion that the Tribe adopt a resolution declaring the reservation a disaster area, in an effort to gain support and help from any government agency possible. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with five for and one absent.

ADJOURNMENT - J. W. Thompson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kay Gourneau with no objections.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the meeting held with quorum present on the 2nd. day of October, 1974.


Connie Rae Boyd, Recording Secretary

LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
LOWER BRULE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57548
SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 1974

Present: Michael Jandreau
J. W. Thompson
Jerauld Jandreau
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau
Sam Kosko, Business Manager

Absent: Grace Estes
Andrew Estes

The meeting opened with the Lord's prayer.

(1)

ELECTION HEARING - The purpose of the meeting was to delagate election officers for the coming general election and to certify nominating petitions. The polling place was designated as St. Mary's Hall. For on reservation officers, J. W. Thompson made a motion to designate Helen Smith as election judge. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with four for and two absent. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion to name Richard LaRoche as teller and Clarence Thompson as clerk. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and two absent. It was stated that in the event the people delegated did not want to serve, the Chairman has the authority to choose someone to fill these positions. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion to name Cleveland Fallis as off-reservation judge. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and none against. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion to name Ted Rouillard as teller and Susie Doren as clerk. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with four for and two absent.

(2)

PHS ELIGIBILITY - Mrs. Gen Doren, PHS Service Unit Director, explained that due to rising costs in hospital care the Washington office would like the individual reservations to define the eligibility factor for PHS care; at present, only those living on the reservation, students are eligible, with the balance of hospital care being taken care of for those who have insurance. Kay Gourneau made a motion to adopt a resolution defining PHS eligibility for Lower Brule members living within a 50 mile radius of the reservation. The motion was seconded by J.W. Thompson and carried with five for and one absent.

(3)

SPONSORSHIP FOR BROWNIES(GIRL SCOUTS) - Mrs. Patsy Ross requested the Tribe by letter to sponsor the Brownies and to help in the purchase of uniforms for them. Grace Estes made a motion to grant the request for sponsorship, but to request that Mrs. Ross attempt to raise funds for the uniforms, stating that these can sometimes be found second hand. The motion was seconded by Jeruld Jandreau and carried with five for and one absent.

(4)

SPONSORSHIP FOR MEN'S BOWLING TEAM - A letter was received requesting sponsorship for the Men's Bowling Team; the letter was not signed and since there is more than on men's bowling team, this was tabled until more information was received.

(5)

FALL POW-WOW - Bill Ziegler and George Estes confronted the council

as members of the Pow-Wow committee. They presented a proposal to hold a pow-wow during Thanksgiving vacation. The Pow-Wow committee was under the assumption that the money made from the Trade's fair was used to off-set the costs of the rodeo, which was not the case, and the Chairman gave them a report on this. Grace Estes stated the pow-wow should be run by Tribal members, and that Mr. Ross was not a member. Bil Ziegler answered that Mr. Ross had done alot for the Trade Fair, and that the Trade Fair has made quite an impression on people with its success. The committee was asked to determine who the bonafide pow-wow committee is, and that their efforts be mutual; the Tribe gets requests from individuals representing themselves as the committee. After further discussion as to who should run the pow-wow, it was stated by two council members that tribal membership shouldn't be a qualification, that things should be done by those who are interested and who can do the best job. It was also requested that the committee work with the Council, get organized and set up bookkeeping system. Mr. Ziegler was informed we now have a Tribal Business Manager and his services would be of use. The Pow-Wow will be held November 29 - 30. Mr. Ziegler was also given permission to hold Bingo to raise money for next year's fair, with the money being used strictly for benefit of pow-wow.

(6)

RECESS FOR LUNCH - Meeting reconvened at 2 p.m. with the same members being present, J. W. Thompson arriving late.

(7)

CONTRACT FOR TRIBAL BUSINESS MANAGER- Mr. Kosko presented his contract for approval by the Council. After review, Orville Langdeau made a motion that the contract be approved. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and one absent.

(8)

APPOINTMENT OF TRIBAL HISTORIAN- Mr. Kosko asked if a tribal historian could be appointed to handle, along with him, the history of the Lower Brule Reservation. Kay Gourneau made a motion to appoint J. W. Thompson. The motion was seconded by Jerauld Jandreau and carried with four for, none against and J. W. Thompson not voting.

(9)

NATIONALIZATION OF CHR PROGRAM- A proposal was presented by CHR coordinator. A resolution from the Council is needed to support this. After discussion, Kay Gourneau made a motion to table this and request the CHR coordinator to define three organizations already involved with the CHR program, and to inform us of what benefits this new program will be to us. The motion was seconded by Orville Langdeau and carried with five for and one absent.

(10)

EDUCATION GRANTS - Kay Gourneau made a motion to approve the education grant applications, as all were eligible. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and one absent.

(11)

HOUSING SURVEY - Mrs. Red Owl, 701 Planner, presented a housing survey she wished to conduct here on the reservation. J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the survey. The motion was seconded by Kay Gourneau and carried with five for and one absent.

(12)

REQUEST FOR ENROLLMENT - Two requests for enrollment were received, one from Mrs. Pearl Colombe for herself, and for Jaclyn Dean Estes, son of Roxie and Sim Estes. Kay Gourneau made a motion to enroll the one eligible, the Estes child, and to write to Mrs. Colombe informing her of the qualifications for enrollment under the old constitution, asking her for information necessary to determine her eligibility. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and c carried with five for and one absent.

(13)

SANITATION AID - By secret ballot, Clyde Cecil Banks was selected to fill this position; he had been appointed temporarily by the CHR coordinator and will now begin full time.

(14)

SURPLUS APPLIANCES - Mr. Griffith is to send out applications to everyone that is signed up for a stove, refrigerator, washer or hot water heater, and to give them to anyone else requesting an application. The determinations will be made by income, need, priorities, etc. He will then present his findings to the Council Welfare Committee for action.

ADJOURNMENT - Kay Gourneau made a motion to adjourn, seconded by J. W. Thompson, with no objections.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the meeting held with quorum present on the 18th day of October, 1974



Connie Rae Boyd, Recording Secretary

SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
November 26, 1974

The meeting convened at 2:00 p.m. CST, November 26, 1974, at the office of the Tribal Chairman, Michael B. Jandreau, Lower Brule, South Dakota, for the purposes of receiving bids for the Lower Brule Street and Park Improvement Project Rebid, with the following being present:

Present: Samuel L. Kosko, Lower Brule Business Manager
Dick Carr, Dana Larson Roubal & Associates
Tom Hofferber, Dana Larson Roubal & Associates
R & W Excavating, Fort Pierre, South Dakota
Schultz Contracting, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Absent: Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council - represented by the Business Manager

The meeting was called to order at the appointed time and bids received from R & W Excavating Inc., Fort Pierre, South Dakota and Schultz Contracting of Sioux Falls. Said bids were opened and publically read aloud with the results as attached. Both bids were accompanied by a 5% bid bond from United Pacific Insurance Company.

The apparent low bid was Schultz Contracting, as announced by Dick Carr. Mr. Carr thanked both for submitting bids. He informed them that if all bids are in order, that we had an awardable contract. He stated the bid will be acted upon by the Lower Brule Tribal Council. EDA will be notified immediately. Assuming that the contract will not be started until spring, Mr. Carr will approach EDA for the amount over the budget in order that the whole project can be awarded.

Schultz Contracting stated that a sizable deduct is available but not written in to avoid confusion; the deduct would be in a substitution for the trusses of the building, if this is permissible. It is of the same design and criteria and this has been submitted to Dana Larson Roubal and Associates' office. Mr. Carr asked the contractor to allow at least ten days for his office to contact them.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the special business meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council held on the 26th day of November, 1974.


Connie Rae Boyd, Recording Secretary

LOWER BRULE STREETS AND PARK DEVELOPMENT (REBID)
COMBINED CONTRACT

Bid Tabulations

	Schultz Contracting	R & W Excavating Inc.
Grant Total For Areas A, B, C, and D.	\$404,339.40	\$442,154.00
Deductive Alternate No. 1	5,375.00	3,790.00
Deductive Alternate No. 2	17,899.00	14,860.00
Deductive Alternate No. 3	6,530.00	4,710.00
Deductive Alternate No. 4	6,745.00	6,103.00
Deductive Alternate No. 5	3,695.00	3,676.00
Deductive Alternate No. 6	37,261.40	No bid submitted

REGULAR MEETING
LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
December 4, 1974

The Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office on the 4th day of December, 1974, and was called to order by the Chairman, Michael B. Jandreau, with roll call as follows:

Present: Michael B. Jandreau	Absent: Kay Gourneau
Grace Estes	Orville Langdeau
J. W. Thompson	
Andrew Estes	
Jerauld Jandreau	
Samuel L. Kosko, Business Manager	

The meeting convened at 10:45 a.m. and was opened with the Lord's prayer.

(1)

NATIONALIZING CHR PROGRAM - Bessie Estes asked the Council for their support to nationalize the CHR program. The intent of this move is to promote job security, establish an education program and wage scale and to effectively lobby in Washington for funding. Grace Estes made a motion to support the CHR Coordinator's request. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and two absent.

(2)

DOG PROBLEM IN COMMUNITY - Mrs. Estes and Lawrence Thompson asked the Council's advice and support in their attempt to enforce established ordinances concerning rabies shots for dogs, the leash law for those dogs that are mean or tend to bite. Dogs without tags or shots are to be gotten rid of but when this is attempted then there are complaints from members of the community. The Council agreed that the ordinances should be enforced and will support Law & Order and the CHR Program in their efforts.

(3)

CHR REPORT - Mrs. Estes read her monthly report to the Council concerning all activities of the CHR personnel. She asked if this was acceptable; she was told to obtain a weekly report from each of her employees, and to compile one monthly report to be presented to the Council.

MISCELLANEOUS CHR BUSINESS - Mrs. Estes reported to the Council that the contract doctors are calling in prescriptions to the drug stores in town when the PHS pharmacy does carry them. The Council asked if Mrs. Doran could do something about directing them to do this. Mrs. Estes also asked that people with cars would use their own when going into the hospital, etc. She is understaffed at the present time.

(5)

PHS MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT - Lawrence Thompson spoke on the condition of the dump ground, stating that in the past the Bureau had maintained it on request and should be asked to do so again. The Chairman reported that a Maintenance Agreement has been worked out with PHS and the grounds can be taken care of when this is returned and signed.

(6)

WATER TREATMENT PLANT - Mr. Chuck Kuecker was introduced by Mr. Kosko; he is the PHS technical representative and has been working with Nathan on improvements at the Water Treatment Plant. He reported that there was very poor attendance at their training sessions, but that he was having some success at the highschool. He stated the water treatment plant here was in very poor condition but hopefully some improvements had been achieved. He cited the various problem areas in the water system and a discussion was held on the operation of the Plant. Mr. Kuecker stated that with proper use of chemicals a considerable amount of money could be saved. The problem with the operator was then discussed. Mr. Kosko stated that he was not trying to eliminate Nathan but is looking for a way to try to help him do the job properly. Jerauld Jandreau asked if the position should be full time and not connected with garbage pickup, etc. The position of operator at the Water Treatment Plant is of utmost importance to the Community and to achieve the proper management of it, the Council discussed an incentive program for Mr. Middleton, in that he would attend classes and receive certification from the State and thereafter salary increases could be made with the savings from the proper use of chemicals. J. W. Thompson agreed to talk to Nathan about this. The garbage collection will be contracted out and the position advertised for the rest of this year. Everett Wilson also has agreed to place CETA employees when needed.

RECESS FOR LUNCH - The meeting reconvened at 1:45 p.m., with the same members present; also present was Mr. Carr of Dana Larson Roubal & Associates of Pierre.

(7)

LOWER BROULE STREET & PARK DEVELOPMENT - Mr. Carr informed the Council that the bids had been opened at the scheduled date and time with Mr. Kosko representing the Tribal Council. With the deductible alternates, the project is awardable. Mr. Carr recommended that the Council approve the base bid, taking out the alternates, which would be the Park and Rodeo grounds improvement, making the contract awardable. Mr. Thompson asked if we could go back to EDA for funds to improve the Park and Rodeo grounds, and Mr. Carr stated that we could. J. W. Thompson then made a motion to award the contract, by resolution. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with four for and two absent. J. W. Thompson then made a motion to pursue the application for the Park and Rodeo grounds, in a directive to Mr. Carr. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with four for and two absent. Mr. Carr explained that alot of paper work is involved and asked if the Council could designate an official representative for the project who would also be authorized to sign the checks for the EDA project. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion to adopt a resolution designating Mr. Kosko as this representative, authorizing him to sign checks. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with four for and two absent.

(8)

LEAA GRANT APPLICATION - The application for the LEAA discretionary grant for Manpower and Equipment for the Correctional Facility was presented. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting this. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with four for and two absent.

(9)

USE OF CROW CREEK JAIL - A resolution was presented to be adopted by both Lower Brule and Crow Creek regarding the incarceration of Lower Brule people in the Crow Creek jail. Mr. Estes made a motion that this be tabled until the ordinance is presented. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with three for and two absent; the Chairman left the meeting which was then presided over by Mrs. Estes.

(10)

GENERAL COUNSEL INVOICES - General Counsel invoices were presented. The contract had not been approved by the Area Office and this had delayed payment. Andrew Estes made a motion to approve the invoices for payment. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and two absent.

(11)

DISCUSSION WITH NATHAN MIDDLETENT - Nathan and Mary Middletent, and Julia Yellow Robe entered the meeting. J. W. Thompson stated he had talked to Nathan during the noon recess and Nathan had stated to him that he could handle the job very easily. Nathan then stated that he had worked Saturday morning on a broken water main and also Sunday for about 4½ hours. He had turned his time in to the Business Manager but was denied the overtime. He stated in this department that there are too damn many chiefs and not enough braves, that he was always catching it and is getting tired of it. He informed the Council that his job description is for eight hours and he is to be paid overtime for extra hours. He stated he was laid up for about two weeks and was on sick leave and the Business Manager held some wages back to pay for gas for the red truck which was used to haul garbage. He stated he had earned his leave and it was up to the Tribe to see that the garbage got picked up, that it would be different if his wife was working but she wasn't and this hurt his family and he was speaking for them. J. W. Thompson asked if Nathan had been denied overtime. Mr. Kosko said there was no provision in his contract for overtime. Mr. Thompson then stated that he did do the work for the community after his eight hours but no one appreciated it. Nathan stated he should have left the water running. Mr. Langdeau informed the Council that Nathan had talked to him about having Marken do the work and he had told him to go ahead since it had to be done. Mr. Kosko stated that evidently, when the contract was set up, no provision was made for overtime or for emergency supplies. According to the contract he is responsible for maintenance of the water plant, the sewer and lagoon and he also has the garbage hauling contract. Mr. Kosko stated the contract would have to be amended to allow overtime. He would like to go over the budget with Nathan and the technical assistance people and if the Council wanted to take action on it, he could be paid.

The Chairman stated that Nathan had come before the Council when he was working part time as a policeman. He didn't believe he was getting enough money and the Council took action to compensate for removing him as a policeman and gave him a raise. The misconception of overtime may have been due to the fact that the Chairman had authorized overtime when Nathan worked extra hours in the past. He stated that this could not be built up as comp-time because he couldn't take the time off and that was the reason he had paid him. Mr. Langdeau stated he did the same thing when he was Chairman. Mr. Kosko said he was not aware of this.

Mr. Thompson informed the Council that he had told Nathan the things that were discussed in the morning meeting. He is responsible for maintaining his own vehicle for collection of garbage and since the truck was not in operation the Tribal truck had to be used and the cost of gas was taken out of his pay since he is compensated for this in his contract and is a part of the budget. Mrs. Estes stated some kind of agreement had to be made. Mr. Kosko again stated that he needed a new contract; as it stands now, he has one hell of a responsibility but no compensation, and the Tribe is not justified in payment of overtime. Mr. Kosko stated he would like to re-write a contract for Nathan as supervisor of the Water Treatment Plant which he will submit to the Council for approval; this will be based on an hourly wage. Jerauld Jandreau asked if any contract have been written for the rest of the Tribal employees. Willie Quilt is an example of one who should be paid overtime. Mr. Kosko agreed that contracts should be written up for Willie and all Tribal employees.

Andrew Estes asked what would be done for the present, while the contract is being written up. Mr. Kosko stated he could write in that the overtime clause will revert back to November 30th, if the Council wished. J. W. Thompson made a motion that the business manager be directed to write up a new contract for Nathan, as discussed. The motion was seconded by Andrew Estes and carried with four for and two absent.

Mr. Thompson stated he had discussed the proper handling of the Water Plant with Nathan and to do this he would have to drop other things to do justice to the job. He told him that if the water plant was managed properly, with the savings that resulted in the proper use of chemicals, we could apply this as a raise for him. Nathan was also informed that the money collected for water bills is used for his salary and budget. Andrew Estes asked what this amounted to each month and was told \$1300. Mr. Kosko also informed him that there is \$4,000 outstanding in water bills right now.

Nathan stated he wished Mr. Kosko had talked to him like this before. The Chairman hoped that Nathan's opinion of Mr. Kosko was not one that would prevent a good working relationship with him. He stated the Tribe has a chance to develop if we can work with each other. Mr. Kosko stated that when he took over as Business Manager he had asked each department head to come in; Nathan had three appointments but did not show for any of them. Rev. Holland finally brought Nathan in and a discussion was held on the budget. The budget was \$3500 in the red on chemicals alone. He asked Nathan if he had any problems and Nathan answered, no, "just shut the water plant down".

(12)

APPLIANCES - Mrs. Yellow Robe said she understood that the appliances were to be given to needy families and was told this was correct. She stated that some people should have been on the list and didn't get anything. The Chairman informed her that the Welfare Committee met with Mr. Griffith and Mrs. Ziegler and all applications were reviewed and determination made from them and the background work Mr. Griffith did through his department. A list of those who had received appliances was read. Mrs. Yellow Robe told of a man in her neighborhood with three children that did not have a washing machine. She and another lady are doing his washing and thought someone should pay them for it. The Chairman stated he thought the Welfare Committee made the best determination they could, but right or wrong, he was not in a position to

judge them. He was sure there were other people who needed appliances besides Mr. Riese but the Committee decided who was most in need.

(13)

REQUEST FOR HOME REPAIR - Mary Middletent asked the Council if anything could be done about fixing up her house, that it was a fire trap. The Chairman stated that the Home Repair Program could not be utilized for Mutual Help Housing. He informed her that a building trades program will be started and this will allow greater utilization of money for materials since they won't have to pay for salaries. He apologized for putting off a definite answer but stated that this was his hope to grant home repair requests in the future. Mr. Middletent had asked Mr. Fletcher for some repairs and was told something would be done, but didn't say what day or year he would do it.

Mr. & Mrs. Middletent then left the meeting, thanking the Council for their time.

(14)

METERS TAKEN OUT - Wanda Estes asked who gave Housing Authority the right to disconnect meters. The Chairman informed her that this had been rectified. The only people who have authority to do this are the REA people, so in the future, when rent becomes delinquent, REA will be notified and they can take the meters out; this is in the regulations. Mrs. Estes also complained about threatening letters received from the Housing office. The Chairman agreed that the terminology could be changed.

(15)

DISCUSSION ON ENROLLMENT - Mrs. Yellow Robc stated that alot of people thought that as long as kids are Indian and have one or both parents enrolled here, they should be enrolled too. She stated that if the Council refused their request, they are going to do something about it and added that she was not threatening them.

(16)

LAND PROBLEM - Mr. Sutphin from the Bureau office informed the Council that the owner of what used to be Wynia's land is breaking up quite a bit of the land. This land borders on Indian and submarginal land. If the land broken up is higher, then erosion will occur on bordering lands, if lower then ponds will form. Pictures are being taken of the places where problems may occur. If the Tribe agrees, the Bureau will inform the owner that if any damage occurs to Indian land, he will be responsible since it would adversely affect Indians. The Chairman asked when one is part of the ASC program if a certain amount of conservation practice has to be met; Mr. Sutphin said yes and that he would contact the ASC office. Mr. Sutphin informed the Council that he will prepare something to document what is happening before any real damage is done.

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✓ EDUCATION GRANTS - J. W. Thompson made a motion to approve the applications for education grants. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with three for and three absent.

(18)

DIRECTOR OF I.A.T. PROGRAM - Mr. Kosko presented the applications for this position. All applicants had been interviewed and he recommended two who were the most qualified for the position. The Council selected Mr. Skye to fill this position according to the Business Manager's recommendation.

(19)

MEETING WITH SENATOR ABOUREZK - Mr. Kosko attended the meeting held in Rapid City, attended by State and Tribal leaders, with Senator Abourezk, on the jurisdiction issue. A statement was issued by Senator Abourezk and Mr. Kosko asked the Council's approval to attach this to the minutes. The Council agreed.

(20)

CORRECTIONAL FACILITY - Mr. Kosko stated that an escrow account had been set up for Mr. Isburg but that he had not done anything with it. Lee & Steve Gourneau had been contacted and it was their opinion that they could meet the completion deadline on the construction. Mr. Kosko recommended that Mr. Isburg's contract be cancelled through Mr. Srstka's office, for non-compliance to meet with completion date, and to re-negotiate the contract to complete it. J. W. Thompson made a motion to cancel the contract with Isburg Construction. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and two absent. Andrew Estes made a motion that Mr. Kosko negotiate to have the project completed. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and two absent.

(21)

ENROLLMENT - Requests for enrollment and birth certificates were received from a number of people. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion to adopt a resolution enrolling those that are eligible under the present Constitution and Bylaws and to enroll those that were born prior to 1960 that have affidavits accompanying them which state their reasons for leaving the reservation. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and two absent. Those approved for enrollment by this motion were as follows: William J. Long Turkey - son of Martha and James Long Turkey; Richard Spears - son of Pat Spears; Connie James - daughter of Elsie DeLoria; Maria, Dolly & Della DeWitt - children of Charles DeWitt; Audrea, Brian & Daniel - children of Gordon and Ruth DeSmet; JoAnn & Jackie Farr, and Terry Layh - children of Marie Langdeau Layh; Helen McCauley Silk - daughter of Rose McCauley. The following were written letters requesting an affidavit: Richard Hudson, Ethel Chase The Bear, Julia Yellow Robe, Ester Spears and Sharon Bingen.

(22)

LETTER FROM TRIBAL COURT - A letter was read from the Chief Judge and signed by other employees of the Tribal Court, requesting they handle their own funds. On discussion, it was stated that if they wanted the responsibility of handling their own funds, they should also be made responsible for their expenditures; that they are not capable of handling their own funds as evidenced by recent problems with court funds. Jerauld Jandreau made a motion that a letter be written to the Court explaining this discussion, and that the Business Manager write the letter. The motion was seconded by J. W. Thompson and carried with four for and two absent.

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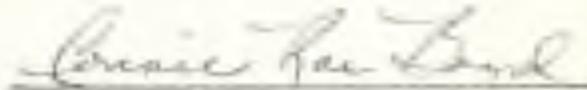
ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM POSITIONS - The Project Council for the Elderly Nutrition Program submitted their recommendations for the position of Director and Assistant Director. Nadine DeShequette was recommended for either position and Judy Whitney as assistant. The Council was informed that the State Department on Aging recommended that Mrs. Whitney be named as Director. J. W. Thompson made a motion that the Tribal Council honor their recommendations, naming Mrs. Whitney as Director and Mrs. DeShequette as the Assistant Director. The motion was seconded by Grace Estes and carried with four for and two absent.

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ADJOURNMENT - Andrew Estes made a motion to adjourn (6:30 p.m.), seconded by J. W. Thompson; there were no objections.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council, held with quorum present, on the 4th day of December, 1974.



Connie Rae Boyd, Recording Secretary

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A Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office on the 13th day of December, 1974, and was called to order by the Chairman, Michael B. Jandreau, with roll call as follows:

Present:	Michael B. Jandreau	Absent:	Grace Estes
	J.W. Thompson		Jerald Jandreau
	Andrew Estes		
	Kay Gourneau		
	Orville Langdeau		
	Samuel L. Kosko		

The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer.

The Chairman asked Mr. Kosko to explain the purpose of the Meeting, as he had requested it.

Mr. Kosko - A copy of the audit report came in for the Community Action Program. In the audit there are several things that do not set right. I made copies of the improper part of the audit, plus two letters concerning this part of the audit. Yesterday afternoon (December 12, 1974) I talked to Mr. Jerry Noonan from Sioux Falls, he is the C.P.A. who performed the audit. I got some of his ideas as to why the remarks were made concerning this part of the audit. Several things are in error right now. If you will look over the audit, paragraph #5 to the end, it seems that there are several questionable cost from the program; most concerning mileage. It seems to me there is an alleged fraud going on under the program. The reason I say this is if you will look on the letters from June 13th, from Mr. Rus to Mr. Noonan, this is a complete explanation from Mr. Rus to justify the local mileage. Several comments indicate they are a little bit out of hand. In the other letter from Mr. Noonan, see other copy, in that letter there were several questions as to the local mileage question in which Mr. Noonan put down travel for staff, that the individual would have to travel 201 miles in one day to get the mileage listed; averaging 55 MPH for four hours a day.

Mr. Kosko read the letter from Mr. Noonan to Mr. Rus.

This seems to be a kind of a strong statement from an auditor. I don't know what the situation was, all I have is the audit report and two letters of correspondence. I believe that the Council should make determinations as soon as possible as to what action we should take on this. If you will look back on audit of questionable costs, paragraph #6, dates of vouchers and mileage, purpose

of expenditures; the mileage category shows quite a bit of discrepancy. This indicates that the individual submitting vouchers was submitting without actually checking mileage. In some cases, up to 200-300 miles where mileage was turned back. I feel at this particular time, seeing as the Tribe is responsible for the program and that if anything happens, the Tribe will be held responsible as grantee. I thought it would be grounds enough to call a Special Meeting to decide what to do, steps to take; if you have any solutions, please let us hear them.

Chairman - Is this for only the mileage that was not burned?

Mr. Kosko - Right. Under questionable costs, the auditor could not account for money due to the fire, no question on this, it concerns the questionable costs and vouchers on hand right now. It was serious enough for Mr. Noonan to make copies of all vouchers. I had this meeting yesterday to get ideas and opinions from the auditor. The indication was, in his own words, that Mr. Rus was "ripping off the Tribe." After the meeting I decided to talk to the Chairman today, to see what his comments were, to see what actions were arranged. Mr. Noonan talked to the Chairman about this. Mr. Chairman will you give light on the subject.

Chairman - Approximately at the end of July, I was able to have a meeting with Mr. Noonan, Mr. Rus and myself. I did not have a copy of the audit, but did have the two letters to bring to the Council which I did not believe was evidence enough to warrant Council action at the time. Mr. Noonan guaranteed me a copy of the audit to be brought before the Council. I was concerned at the time that any adverse action be taken, we would not have any continuity and people would be without jobs. Sometime ago, the Business Manager asked me why we never received one. I told him to call Mr. Noonan as to why, he thought investigation might be underway by the Federal Auditors. Mr. Noonan had provided copies to Mr. Rus and did say then he would send one to us. Like I said, I did not have anything concrete to act on. Come to find out, Mr. Rus had been provided a copy of the audit for submission and action by the Council. At a meeting with Mr. Kosko and Mr. Rus three days ago, it was indicated to Mr. Rus, in order to bring program back into line, we should have the finance people from C.A.P. down here to be incorporated with ours, to understand problems and alleviate them. Since that time, Mr. Rus talked with myself and Mr. Kosko indicating a great reluctance to do this. I felt that the time had come, if this thing could not be worked out, we must present it to the Tribal Council for action. I felt at the time the meeting was held between Mr. Kosko, Mr. Rus and myself that we had taken some measures to control excessive expenditures in areas of mileage. However, since that time, Mr. Rus indicated a great resistance in stating purpose mileage. So again, in relating this to Mr. Kosko, he agreed with me that we should present this to the Council for consideration and action. Again we received flack, because 18 people are out of work today because no continuity was developed by the Director of Programs so this came back on the Tribe's shoulders.

Mr. Gourneau - What 18 people? Chairman - From Manpower to CETA. CETA picked up 10 because of funding, when the Tribe signed off, every effort was made to provide employment for the Manpower people.

Chairman - I say fine, if the Tribe is going to be directly responsible for issues such as this, then each Councilman should be established as head of a program so responsibility lies fully here. We are throwing good money away.

Mr. Kosko - There are two solutions available, (1) talk to Mr. Rus - find out what situation is, approach directly and find out solutions, have Council make determination on effectiveness of program. (2) Turn the entire program and records over to the FBI for further investigation into fraud. If the Council has another solution, please say so. As it stands now, we are losing too much. Mr. Noonan said he would make a sworn statement as to what Mr. Rus told him directly, that he was ripping off the Tribe.

Mrs. Gourneau - He told the auditor that? Mr. Kosko - Yes.

Mr. Thompson - Only discrepancies are through travel? Mr. Kosko - Yes.

Mr. Thompson - He has three programs? Mr. Kosko - Yes. Livestock was not audited.

Mr. Kosko - I have not been able to get any information on it, and I have asked him many times.

Mrs. Gourneau - How much money?

Chairman - This was developed from sale of livestock and FEMA money, in order not to lose money, a separate account was established.

Mr. Kosko - The crux of the whole thing is, if this hits Washington. . . it is already up there, the people who give money to the Tribe will come here and ask questions as to why this happened, they will not go to Mr. Rus - but will come to the Council. I believe the Council should be made aware of this to take action to cover their portion. It is on your shoulders, you will have to answer for it. I have seen many audit reports, never one like this, this was my reason for talking to Mr. Noonan, to get his reasons for putting comments on the report.

Chairman - I wish to ask the Council if they wish to speak to Mr. Rus before they make a decision or what action the Council would like to take.

Mr. Kosko - Full audit is available for anyone who would like to read it. We are on the subject, during the fire, Headstart was involved. Chairs and were lost. Insurance estimate was made and reimbursement should have been back to Headstart. They were brought but charged to the Headstart budget. The question was raised - where did the insurance money go.

Mrs. Gourneau - Didn't we have it? Mr. Chairman - Yes, but C.A.P. was on a check for \$5,000.

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Mr. Thompson - Who are the Board of Directors of grantee? Chairman - Tribal Council, when this was established, you were allowed to select Board of Directors.

Mr. Kosko - Recommendations - (1) Have more control, by bringing the Bookkeeper down here to the Tribal Office, (2) Have one member of the Tribe to be co-signer on checks, (3) Develop Board of Directors from people on reservation to help spend money in proper way, to see where the money is going.

Mrs. Gourneau - What is the normal procedure for audit if there is a discrepancy and if we don't do anything.

Mr. Kosko - The report goes to O.E.O. and a request that the regional officer may come down and make an investigation. I felt we had grounds enough to have FBI look into it. Mr. Noonan stated he would support us in any way he could.

Mrs. Gourneau - Who hired Mr. Noonan? Mr. Kosko - O.E.O, directly responsible to them for audit report.

Mr. Kosko - I feel that some type of positive action should be taken. When O.E.O comes down, we should have some answer. When action is taken, we may find out alleged fraud may not warrant loss of program, but closer monitoring of program by O.E.O. They may say we cannot monitor our own program. I submitted this to the Council to see what kind of determination they would like to come up with.

Mr. Thompson - I notice that there was signing of vouchers with rubber stamps, Secretary/Bookkeeper did not type vouchers? Mr. Kosko - Yes, good possibility.

Mr. Kosko - Checks were signed by Mr. Rus and Ila Blacksmith also. The object of two signatures on checks is a safety feature, one should be the program Director, the second should be someone outside of the program, to see that money is not mis-used. It was recommended that this be done. He did not say Tribal Government but did say someone else.

Mrs. Courneau - Right now, who is signing checks? Mr. Kosko - Mr. Rus and Mrs. Fogg.

Chairman - In questionable costs, due to the absence of some records, they took checks from microfilm at the bank, but since they didn't have vouchers supporting payment, they did not audit that particular portion, so it is not included in report at all. They only audited that which had documentation, but had to specify why.

Mr. Langdeau - From the information, from letters to Mr. Russ and to Mr. Noonan, it appears that Mr. Rus himself was fully aware of discrepancies in the audit, but still is unwilling to get with Mr. Kosko and try to clear some of them up, is that the problem up to this point?

Chairman - He sat and agreed that he should take these measures after discussion, after a hell of an argument, but he did see merit of doing this so Mr. Kosko asked that they be down today, but he indicated that the Bookkeepers do not want to move down here.

Mr. Langdeau - I see this as a matter of great concern for members of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and particularly so for individuals that lost employment and benefits of going along with program, so I would think that it would be in the Tribe's best interest to set up a meeting as soon as possible, say on Monday, and have Mr. Rus appear at the meeting to explain to the Council and the Business Manager, to try and find some answer to part of it anyway. From that point on, we can try to come up with some type of decision. I myself today, am not prepared to jump one way or the other, I would like to study it more and hear more on it.

Mrs. Gourneau - You say audit is in Washington now? Mr. Kosko - Yes. Mr. Noonan said it was, we can expect a letter or visit from O.E.O.

Mrs. Gourneau - Would it be wise to contact them and let them know we are aware of the situation now.

Mr. Kosko - I can do this, talk to Mr. Noonan and let them know you are aware of it and taking steps to solve our problems. We would be keeping in contact with auditor who would report. I can notify him this afternoon.

Mrs. Gourneau - Would it be better to have Washington office investigate?

Mr. Kosko - Yes, put everything in proper line and know where we stand. There are questionable costs on audit, that is all we know. To benefit the Tribe and Council, investigation should be made and everything put in proper place and start from there.

Mrs. Gourneau - This would be better than for us sitting here and accusing him.

Mr. Kosko - This is in no way accusing him. It was to make him aware of what is going on. My main concern was to let you know what was going on. I believe that the Council is responsible for all programs on the reservation. When something is wrong they will be responsible. Right now, think on it, make some type of positive action, maybe hold meeting next week. Mr. Noonan is waiting for me to contact him and let him know we are taking steps to correct the matter. From indications from Mr. Rus in meeting last week, he was all ready for setting up the way the auditor suggested, but when it came right down to it, he has reneged. What I am afraid of, when O.E.O. comes down and the Council is not taking steps to correct the situation, we will lose the program and the people of the reservation will lose out completely.

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Mrs. Gourneau - Have you talked to Mr. Rus on this?

Mr. Kosko - I talked to him about the audit, with the Chairman and Mr. Langdeau and the list of the overall meeting, he would abide by recommendations of the auditor. I asked if he would comply by today, Friday. I had the Secretary, Connie Rae Boyd, to call Mr. Rus and offer help from Manpower and he stated he did not see any way he could move down here. The Bookkeeper did not want to come down here. Mr. Langdeau's suggestion is about the best we can come up with today. I will make a copy of the entire audit. Please look it over this weekend, come up with suggestions to eliminate this type of thing in future and what to do about it now.

Mr. Langdeau - I can see no reason for his unwillingness to cooperate in coming down here for help.

Chairman - A part of Rus's statement to secretary was that he didn't wish to do anything until he had a chance to see me. I picked him up, we had a chance to talk and he said he didn't feel he could be in control of the program with finance procedures down here at the office. Then he went into the idea of neither of the individuals he has working with him under CETA, Altwan Grassrope or the Bookkeeper, Shirley Fogg, wanted to move down here to the Tribal Office. I asked their reason, and he could not give answer to that. He also indicated they should not be down here because of control factor that he would not have on program. I said my belief in having people move down here is that they would develop ideas of the overall Tribal finance operation. Many times we had to have someone sit in for finance officer when she is sick, we were without a replacement. The people did not have a working knowledge of the system here. Having more people acquainted with this would give us a bookkeeper when needed, and provide a continuity in total Tribal Programs. I also said it costs us a great deal of time in getting C.A.P. tax information down here, and the monthly finance are not getting straightened out, a considerable amount of time is spent in doing this. Things are not getting down at an efficient rate whatsoever. It is holding up our tax report as much as a month at times because we don't get information down here. I can't help but feel it would be of benefit for the bookkeeper to be down here, also for job security for themselves. He did not dispute this. He also indicated to me that he was seriously considering resignation if pressed. It put me in a bad light, being the bearer of bad news. The Council has to face this head on, there is no other way to do it. Either we do it the way it was suggested, or we lose \$45,000 a year in benefits for the people down here; it is as simple as that as far as I am concerned.

Mr. Kosko - If this meeting with the Council and Mr. Rus takes place, I would like Mr. Noonan present at the meeting; would that be agreeable? Mr. Thompson and Mrs. Gourneau - Yes.

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Mr. Kosko - He has made a few statements that are strong and I would like him to present these to the Council. All I would need from the Council is the time and place so I can notify Mr. Noonan.

Chairman - Is the Council agreeable, if so, I would like a motion on this then.

Mr. Langdeau - I so move, to have the meeting on 18th, Monday.

Mrs. Courneau - I second the motion.

Vote - Four for and two absent. Time for meeting is 10 a.m.

PAYROLL VOUCHER CLERK POSITION - Six applications were received for this position. Mr. Kosko conducted interviews and by secret ballot, Lana La Roche was selected to fill the position, to begin work on Monday, December 16, 1974.

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A Special Meeting of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council was held at the Tribal Office on the 16th day of December, 1974, and was called to order by the Chairman, Michael B. Jandreau, with roll call as follows:

(By special directive, reasons for absences are to be noted.)

Present: Michael B. Jandreau
Grace Estes, arrived late, had another appointment at 9 a.m.
Jerauld Jandreau
Kay Gourneau
Orville Langdeau
Samuel L. Kosko, Business Manager
Absent: J.W. Thompson, sick with flu.
Andrew Estes, rounding up cattle.

The meeting opened with the Lord's prayer.

The Chairman stated the purpose of the meeting: This meeting stemmed from a meeting held on Friday, December 13, 1974, in regard to moving the C.A.F. office finance system down here to the Tribal Office, in accordance with auditor's recommendation. It was requested that Mr. Rus be present for the meeting. It was felt that before any action should be taken in regard to the auditor's correspondence and the auditor's recommendations, a full Council should be present. So today, the Council members present will proceed with any actions that are to be taken according to the auditor's observation and recommendations.

Mrs. Gourneau - Mr. Rus, the first thing would be to ask about the Council's request that you move your books down here this morning.

Mr. Rus - I told Mr. Kosko and the Chairman, that the consultant came up Friday to close out the books on the Manpower Program and to do the preliminary close out and to do the quarterly report for the C.A.P. Program. He could only make it for one day and he asked if he could take the books home (to Fine Ridge) I talked to him yesterday, and he should be back the middle part of this week. Mr. Ivan Bettleyoun works as a consultant for the Oglala Tribe. We do not have any books on hand right now.

Mr. Langdeau - Where is he from?

Mr. Rus - He is not from C.A.P., works as a consultant more or less on a free lance basis and is a member of the Fine Ridge Tribe.

Mr. Langdeau - Do you have any ideas when he will be back?

Mr. Rus - He is going to call me today as I need a report on the Elderly Nutrition Program to submit to the State. When I talk to him, he may be able to give me a report. I was going to have Everette Wilson and Altwain Grassrope go to Pine Ridge to meet with Burl Eggers and by the same token, pick up the books and cover with them what he has gone through.

Mrs. Gourneau - What is your opinion on the audit report and why they made such a report?

Mr. Rus - I honestly don't know, I will say to the Council, I will not attempt to defend anything I have ever done in the realm of C.A.P. Director. As to the questionable cost, I have my reasons, but I really feel it stems back to a little more than a year ago. Last February; we had the fire in June or July and we never got the books back into good order. We kept account of expenditures from then on out. We knew there was an accountability that would have to be made. I did send Illa Blacksmith into the bank for copies of checks, which were hard to obtain, as over a three hour period only three came up in the microfilm. Then I called Mr. Bettleyoun and Mr. Noonan to come and do research on it to see what would be the best move. They made an agreement with the Regional Director; where there were documentations lacking as a result of the fire, knowing expenditures were made, what it was made for, etc, the Regional Director agreed they be made as questionable costs. Mr. Bettleyoun and Mr. Noonan were going to work it out together over the phone, but when it came back, on some certain things, they were wrong - the figures were wrong, yet he charged us \$400.00 so I wrote him a letter stating I felt the costs were too much since we had to make adjustments. He called me a few days later and snarled at me. Then when he did do the annual audit he attacked my travel. I will admit one duplicate, but I felt it has been his way of getting back at me. I discussed this with the other C.A.P. Directors. He jumps at every chance he can to do work for Tribes but also to charge as much as he can. Other directors have told me he is qualified but I feel it is his way of getting back on me because I felt he was charging too much money. Furthermore, I felt he charged too much on the first audit he did for us. We did a pre-audit two weeks before he came and it shouldn't have taken him more than two days to complete the audit, but he spent four days doing it.

Mrs. Gourneau - Do you feel the audit will hurt the program?

Mr. Rus - No, I do not. I talked with the analysts and frankly, they wouldn't have a right to say this, but they aren't asking for strict compliance with rules. They want to see if the work is done to serve the people. One told me that they didn't care what we did with the money, they wanted to know how many people are going to be involved.

Mr. Langdeau - I went over these things Mr. Rus, the information we got, my point of view naturally is that I am worried, quite a bit concerned that if something isn't straightened up we will lose the program. It has already effected some

people, and it could effect the rest of us. I don't care how it may seem, but as an individual on a governing body and seeing things like this taking place, I would like to exclude myself so there wouldn't be any personalities involved, but I realize I have a job to do and can't back away from it. Therefore, I would like to see the discrepancies justified, like in the mileage and per/diem.

Mr. Rus - I will admit my failure there. I never looked or thought realistically when I traveled off the reservation. All I can do is go by other people when we go off the reservation. If I went for more than a day, then usually I collected per/diem in advance to cover lodging and meals. Quite often, I didn't even do this. I will admit that I let receipts slip out of my hands someplace, but this year I know of six times I stayed over and I have never collected any money in advance of mileage or per/diem. The last time I went to Fort Pierre and I paid for Felix's lunch as I have done for others on other occasions, I have never been reimbursed.

Mr. Langdeau - I never finished what I was going to say. At this point and from here on in, are you going to set down and try and work these problems out?

Mr. Rus - Yes.

Mr. Langdeau - Are you willing? I see only one way, to bring things back in focus to have more of an organization instead of arms sticking out not knowing what the other is doing, as a member of the governing body for the Tribe, it is a must to have it this way. The Tribe will answer for accountability. Are you willing to comply with the Tribal request that you do things like everyone else.

Mr. Rus - I feel that to be in full compliance with guidelines of program as such isn't going to serve people. As far as compliance with money, at times we know it is against the guidelines, but we shift things because we felt it is best for the Lower Brule Reservation.

Mr. Langdeau - My main interest is accountability, as far as expenditures of funds, I would like to see it more organized.

Mr. Rus - I would like to address the Council on this, not for myself but on behalf of the people working for me. I have two people in there. It is slow but we are gaining by working with them right where they are at. As far as working it out with Mr. Kosko, once a week going through it, I would cherish Department head meetings every week to go through expenditures. I would prefer, from the human point of view, working with people where they are now because this is where they belong. For meetings, if I am not able to be there, I will see that someone is to represent me.

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Mr. Langdeau - I can understand your feelings toward your employees, but I have to look out for the overall benefits of the entire Tribe. We should try to work with individuals and help them, and I think we can by getting them under our wing and guide them. You said yourself, and it is true, there is so much responsibility and pressure you don't have time to spend with employees and help them along because, the Chairman would like to do more but he has too many demands on his time. If you want things done right and expect the Council to do their job, then things must be corrected. The Washington people are the ones who control the purse strings and they will get the Regional Auditor who will go by the audit report and that is what I am worried about. We are chopping block to answer for it and the only thing we can do is try to get some answers from you.

Mrs. Gourneau - If they don't want to move down here, can we ask them why?

Mr. Rus - I talked to them Friday.

Mrs. Gourneau - Can they come in and discuss it with them?

Mr. Rus - I would have to leave that up to them, if they want to. They have their short comings. Our biggest hang-up is keeping Manpower positions filled. Everette Wilson has his own office, and does not let the Secretary know when the positions have changed and does not get Social Security numbers, and this makes it hard for the secretary. Since Altwin Grassrope came in, he has put things in nice shape. They both expressed to me Friday, that they felt like a family. We realize we are subject to change and are not irreplaceable but I am only going by what they told me. That is the last thing I would ever do is let the C.A.P. bookkeeper down here. The fire of last year has effected us more this year. Another thing was the Teen Center, we had embezzlement, and we don't know how much was taken. We could take money from the livestock program to reimburse C.A.P.

Chairman - Before you in that folder you will see the audit report. On page 8 of the audit you will see the summary of the auditor's recommendations. What part, if any, do you feel that you can comply with? This will be under Observations, Recommendations, Areas Needing Improvement.

Mr. Rus - I don't have reason to believe that I can't comply with any of them. As I stated before, I would be glad to comply but the fire is reacting on us.

Chairman - Last year, why was a financial report from your office not given to the Tribe, because we didn't ask for one?

Mr. Rus - Probably so, and I never gave one the year before.

Chairman - What reason, other than your better relationship with individuals, would you state as not being able to move down here. Do you feel you could work better with them than we could down here?

Mr. Rus - Yes.

Chairman - So, am I to think that you think the betterment of the entire Tribe comes second to individuals? How long have they been employed?

Mr. Rus - Shirley Fogg for about six months and Altwin Grassrope for about two months.

Chairman - Wasn't he employed with you for one and a half years prior to this?

Mr. Rus - Yes, but I am speaking of current employment.

Chairman - Where are they today?

Mr. Rus - At the Office.

Chairman - When did they come in?

Mr. Rus - At about 8:30 a.m. and one about 9:00 a.m.

Chairman - That's funny, I called at 9:15 a.m. and neither one was at work.

Mrs. Gourneau - On page 10, #4, the recommendation of two signatures on checks. I think this is one thing for your own and our protection. It would be a good idea to continue it.

Mr. Rus - I do too, I felt this before and I should have made it consistent with you in asking you to come in on paydays, etc.

Mrs. Gourneau - It was okay when I was here everyday and knew what was going on. But when I am at home it is hard for me to just sign checks not working with it everyday. This happened with the Alcoholism Program, I would sometimes be asked to sign blank checks which, of course, I never did. I make a motion that the Chairman of the Tribe co-sign on checks for the C.A.P. Program.

Mr. Langdeau - I second the motion.

Chairman - Beginning when?

Mrs. Gourneau - Immediately.

Mr. Jandreau - Will this be when Mr. Bettleyoun gets the books back?

Mrs. Gourneau - No, I said immediately, he don't need books to write checks.

VOYE - Three for and three absent, quorum present, motion carried.

Mr. Jandreau - Have you seen a copy of this report before?

Mr. Rus - Yes.

Mr. Jandreau - When?

Mr. Rus - About two months or six weeks ago.

Mr. Jandreau - Do you feel that as C.A.P. Director and as a direct employee of the Tribe, that you should have forwarded this to the Tribe?

Mr. Rus - No, I felt that the Council had a copy, in years past a copy was sent to the Tribe.

Chairman - We never received a copy of this. Mr. Noonan sent one after he was called on it. How many copies do you have?

Mr. Rus - Three.

Mr. Jandreau - I view this report as a warning. Look on page nine of the report, at the bottom of the page:

(taken verbatim from the auditor's report)
"As part of our review of travel vouchers, we noted that in a number of cases, the purpose of the trip was not indicated. In addition, the odometer readings did not appear realistic or accurate. In addition, authorizations for out of state travel were not obtained when required nor were plane fares, car rentals or lodging receipts provided where such expenditures would have been anticipated as part of the trip."

Their recommendation is that this should be complied with and we are more or less saying, the hell with it.

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Mr. Rus - I argued with Mr. Noonan and I will argue with anybody on this, not with the statement but on one or two points. I had told Miss Blacksmith to watch my mileage, even though I kept records on this, I may have used wrong ones and I might duplicate which I did. How did they expect me last year, with the Elderly Nutrition Program, trying to get that started, get Manpower written up, to not do the amount of traveling that I did. Some was not accounted for but there was the fact of the fire.

Mrs. Gourneau - From this report, if you feel he is getting back at you, since these are quite expensive audits, you could ask for investigation to prove yourself. Did you hire him?

Mr. Rus - I more or less walked into it. He told me he was going to set up books and told me the Chairman sent him over. I don't think Mr. Langdeau sent him there.

Mrs. Gourneau - What I would like to see happen, have another auditor do the books. He has accused you of some serious things.

Mr. Langdeau - Did Mr. Noonan say I sent him?

Mr. Rus - Yes. I am not defending myself. This is why I had Mr. Bettleyoun come in. He works good with the Staff and they have progressed. He sometimes questions my functions. He has worked with O.E.O. for years. There isn't anyone who has a better understanding of C.A.P. He couldn't understand Mr. Noonan's motives and felt he was lashing back at me.

Mr. Kosko - Did you pay the Audit Company to have this audit?

Mr. Rus - Yes.

Mrs. Gourneau - How much?

Mr. Rus - Approximately \$1,800.00 for all programs.

Chairman - After the great disagreement of July 13th, and the response from the auditor on July 17th, in the second to last paragraph -

"As to your comment regarding the review by another firm, we cannot respond to such a statement since it is viewed by us, under the circumstances, to be an attempt to coerce our independence. If obligated to correspond with the regional auditor and Washington Personnel the reason for the change and set forth the facts as we have described them above and ask for a fraud investigation on the basis of submission of falsified documents for payment."

"We are sending a copy of this letter to the Lower Brule Tribal Chairman as grantee with the suggestion that a joint meeting be called to discuss the questioned costs and work out a solution prior to issuance of our report. We cannot over-emphasize our position to be fair and reasonable mileage reimbursement amount if the one suggested in this letter is unreasonable."

We did have a meeting and we asked at that time that I co-sign or certify all mileage requests. I have since that time assigned that responsibility to the Tribal Business Manager, but I wondered why you never got another firm.

Mr. Rus - We would have to go through costs and go into court of law. We would wind-up paying Mr. Noonan unless we could prove him wrong and still have to pay another firm. As I have told you, I have not tried to hide it.

Chairman - We have Bureau auditors who cost us nothing. Why are we paying outside auditors if this is so. Why are the funds going to them when they could be better used in the program with the Bureau doing the audit. I can't help but look back on Mr. Noonan's recommendations that if this is handled down here then I feel that I am being directly confronted as to my responsibility to the Tribe. I simply see it that way. I feel that you are being unreasonable. I realize that we have individuals with personal problems; there are areas where we have failed when efficiency is concerned in dealing with your office, and it costs the Tribe time and money that shouldn't be. As far as trying to usurp any responsibility or authority with programs relating to C.A.P., this is not my intention. But I feel we must begin to proceed forward with greater continuity than we have been able to display to this point. If not, we might as well set up each program as individual in itself; we need to have greater control under one roof. It is as simple as that and may be just a dream, but I have never seen a dream come true until you work at it. I, above anyone else, must be willing to sit and listen to any reasonable explanation as to why we must impede the progress of the Tribe for the satisfaction of a very few.

Grace Estes entered the meeting at this time, 11:45 a.m.

Mr. Rus - I think the people that I currently employ are members of the Tribe and both are full blood. They are conscientious and know what is expected of them and of C.A.P.

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But, I feel that by us keeping the financial system up there would be better, we would naturally make our reports and financial statements. I have offered the Tribe assistance in the past on a voluntary basis, never had to be asked.

Chairman - Do you feel that this particular issue was a great burden on your program?

Mr. Rus - No.

Chairman - Do you think it was without the responsibility of the program?

Mr. Rus - No, but it is a fact that I was relating to you about the responsiveness of our program, to inform you when we had savings to spend. There will always be questionable costs and there will be a differences of opinion on the audit. The C.P.A. has final say. To lessen the burden on the Tribe, the first year, with savings, I helped pay insurance, fuel, etc. I was also asked if the program could possibly help in payment of a desk and the Tribe is using one of our typewriters.

Mrs. Gourneau - Mr. Rus, you should get another auditor's opinion because they are accusing you of embezzlement and fraud and if I were you, I would want to clear this up. Also, you say Washington won't care but they will go by the auditor's report and this may hurt the program.

Mr. Rus - I don't think it will jeopardize our program.

Mrs. Gourneau - They will ask what we did about this. If Mr. Noonan is doing this to you just because he doesn't like you, you have a right to get another opinion.

Grace Estes - I can't imagine an auditor bringing personalities into something like this.

Mrs. Gourneau - Sitting where we are now, I would like to request the Bureau auditors formally to do an audit for us on the C.A.P. Program, and I will make that a motion, that they go over the C.A.P. books, for all programs, and I ask this for your protection Mr. Rus, as well as ours. If Washington does look at it and ask us about it, we can't just say we didn't believe the auditor; and at the same time, I can't see you doing nothing about it.

Mr. Rus - I made a mistake by not documenting trips, I cared less for reimbursement. I have denied myself a raise this year, I am still at \$11,000.00. I am not complaining but I must say that this man does not work for nothing.

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Chairman - Is Mr. Bettleyour bonded or registered, so that any reports he may make, such as this, would mean anything?

Mr. Rus - I don't know.

Chairman - How often do you use him and who pays him?

Mr. Rus - He is paid by the day, plus mileage and is paid through I.C.A.P.

Mr. Kosko - The books are in Pine Ridge right now, correct? What would happen if they were stolen and never seen again, what would the procedure be to back up all reports.

Mr. Rus - I don't know.

Mr. Kosko - The books have left the reservation, the individual is not bonded, what procedure would we have to go through to reconstruct the books, what would happen to our program if this should happen.

Mr. Rus - He rarely takes them.

Mr. Jandreau - This is another indication why they should be down here at this office.

Mr. Kosko - With an unauthorized person getting the books, C.E.O. may question this.

Mr. Rus - I feel this way, I cannot change my mind, we do owe it to the Tribal Council and Tribe to do everything we can with the C.A.P. Program but I am dealing with the human point of view. I am willing to work with them, make good people out of them, I know we will lose both of them if we are forced to be put down here.

Chairman - What is your reasoning?

Mr. Rus - They don't want to work with the people at the Tribal Office.

Chairman - No qualms about that. I have qualms about productivity. I work with people every day, they have problems down here too. When you allow productivity to stymie credibility and efficiency of the whole Tribe then there is something wrong.

Mr. Rus - I believe these people deserve a fighting chance.

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Chairman - I agree but what might have you got to set the whole Tribe back.

Mr. Rus - I don't think I am.

Chairman - On taxes alone, they cost us two-days, it is a week every month. Moving down here would prevent things like this.

Mr. Rus - I disagree, look across the river.

Chairman - What does that have to do with us? You are saying everything deficient stems from the Tribal Office.

Mr. Rus - We must relate, but yet let the program be for itself in response of its management.

Chairman - I am not trying to stymie anyone's ability to manage. I am trying to, hopefully, to create a more efficient system. We talked at a meeting a week ago, in regard to expenditures, you said there was no need. Now, the Tribal Office is where they come when there is a deficiency. I am having to answer for that. The Business Manager will be having to answer. If he doesn't know at that point, it reflects on the ability of the Tribe to function as a business and in particular reflects on the entire Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. At this point, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe is recognized as a group of people able to do business. I don't believe any individual or group of individuals have a right to tear that down. I think the Tribe has a right to proceed at its own rate without so damn much opposition. I can see your point, if in fact we were trying to take all responsibility away from you, but it is not that. I told you once before, we put out POB's on the financial office, we didn't get any response from anyone who was familiar with the system here, which impedes our progress. I am trying to get away from that as are other members of the Council. I believe in the people having a right to dissent and disagree and everything, but I also believe that they do not have a right to slow the progress of the rest of the Tribe. I have talked to Everette Wilson on this. I asked him what opposition he had, he said none.

Mr. Rus - That is entirely up to him, but that isn't what he told me. I would really prefer to remove myself from the meeting.

Chairman - That is what I am saying, an individual can stymie the operation of the entire Tribe.

Mr. Rus - I am not speaking for myself, but for two people who I have been responsible for and continue to do so because they are also members of the Tribe and could help construct the Tribe.

Chairman - I agree 100%

Mr. Rus - Mr. Chairman, I think you remember Mr. Artichoker and Tom Allen saying the effectiveness of C.A.P. is not of necessity showing alot of financial gain, may show even loss in cases, but response from people is the thing. It doesn't necessarily deal in dollars and cents.

Chairman - Philosophically this is beautiful, but when dollars create responsibility then it is a horse of another color. A broke man can be just as responsive an individual an anyone else, but it does not help the individual. That is why C.A.P. was set up.

Mr. Langdeau - I would like to ask a question from Mr. Rus and Mr. Kosko for my own satisfaction and for finding out reasons for problems. We need a stricter rein on accountability. I would like to know from Mr. Kosko what we are looking for as far as accountability is concerned, what the Tribe wants, could it be worked out, not only with C.A.P. but with other organizations on the Reservation. Could you work with organizations periodically, or quite frequently until you see where they are at to bring everything more into focus, to see what we are really after without having everyone under one roof.

Mr. Kosko - This is the way it has been in the past, that is why we have problems now. Individuals manage own programs, the programs grow every year. Therefore, the manager has a greater responsibility for the entire operation and control of the program. Once the program gets larger, you must delegate authority to someone to see that it is run properly. If the program has to account for funds, it should be in a central location for the simple fact that they can be administered properly. Two or three heads are better than one. If the governing body or someone representing the governing body makes a decision as to expenditures in the program, two things happen: (1) You are left off the hook and; (2) people are let off the hook. If one individual handles it completely you will run into many more problems. In any business or new corporation, you have many programs working within it, but yet the governing body comes under one roof. You can have direct communication with the Council acting as the Board of Directors for any one of the programs here. I feel that any business venture works more efficiently when everybody knows what is going on. There are several problems due to over expansion, things get done haphazardly, as in training and accountability, and audit reports. Other programs are operating under one roof concept now and doing so more effectively, there is closer watching of the budget. Under the one roof concept, the Council or Board can give help immediately, but if they are not aware of the situation, they cannot. I feel, for the governing body to act effectively, they must know everything and this can be accomplished only under the one roof concept. This will not effect the operation of any program, it will relieve much of the pressure of controlling some functions. The Council can delegate authority, but you cannot delegate responsibility. Everyone must work together.

Mr. Langdeau - Mr. Rus, what would your answer or feelings be if you would move out and what would the feelings of your personnel be.

Mr. Rus - I feel that men like Mr. Bettleyoun could be in control of any business, it is entirely up to the approach used to help and reason with people and to explain, and not be too demanding of people. I had asked for an assistant in my program, but this was not budgeted.

Mr. Langdeau - What I meant was, someone who had to work with all other programs and who was concerned, to see that they went according to what he thought the Tribe is expected. How would these individuals feel about that - the employees of C.A.P., I mean. Having their office, does it go beyond that? I want to know whether it is for reasons other than their own. If it is personal, you cannot let that stand in the way of something that is trying to be accomplished for the entire Tribe.

Mr. Rus - If we could have somebody in our own office, like Mr. Kosko, they would accept it.

Mr. Langdeau - When we moved here to the present Tribal Office, there was criticism, both from the Staff and the Tribal Council, but the vote was to do it and we did, there was alot of hickering but we did move.

Mrs. Gourncau - I would like to explain what I feel about this. I don't think it is right to take individuals before the whole Tribe, I do realize you are trying to help them but they should be able to go any place to work. I feel we hired Mr. Kosko for a certain reason. I am not a Business Manager and we needed help. If this is his recommendation, I will personally support it. I feel he knows what he is doing and this is the recommendation he made and, as far as I am concerned, I will support it because he is doing it for the betterment of the Tribe. Also, if a person applies for a job, you don't ask them where they want to work. I have never had a job in which I could say what I wanted to do and where I wanted to do it.

Mr. Rus - You couldn't pay me to work at the Tribal Office.

Mr. Kosko - A resolution was passed to have the Tribal Chairman co-sign all C.A.P. checks. If the Chairman is to sign checks and vouchers, he must have access to books for satisfaction and protection. If he were to sign checks, he would want to know where the money is going. Also, we have a good clerical staff, they all know what they are doing and would be able to help your staff at any time.

Mrs. Estes - We are talking about working with people, in groups. I am sure all of you know that as we go along, changes are taking place entirely.

At the area office, the whole floor is open, there are no private or secluded offices other than the Director and Assistant. I am sure they have to get along if they want their jobs. I have worked for years and I never said I didn't want to go there or I didn't like this or that. If you want a job, you take what is offered to you. I think the Tribe has had difficulties and were not able to correct the problem alone. I talked quite some time both with the Superintendent and the Chairman and felt we did need a Business Manager in order to pull this thing together.

Mr. Kosko - I have been operating as Business Manager for 60 days. Within this time I have spoken to everyone concerning their program. Everyone has indicated a desire to work for the betterment of cooperation and their position to benefit the Tribe and Reservation. However, when it came down to action, there were some that were reluctant until we talked about it and viewed the overall picture. In the past every program looked out for its own welfare. In looking at the overall Tribal situation, they were more than happy to comply with recommendations. Cooperation will benefit them at budget time because they will have backing for their proposed increases. This has been very beneficial to them. I have seen in this 60 days, that the spirit of cooperation between the programs and the governing body has jelled into a productive program. Reluctance was there but they did appreciate the fact they have someone to turn to ask for help. If we are going to extend in any direction, we will have to have an effort to do this, but before this we will have to unify ourselves. This is a reservation, everyone should work together, keeping one goal in mind, to be self-sustaining. To do this we must pool our resources. I would like to see this reservation and this governing body set up as a model for all other reservations in South Dakota. We are small enough to do it, but we cannot bicker and we cannot work only for the benefit of the individuals, but for the entire Tribe. The potentials are unlimited, but we have to put it together. The concept of programs being under one roof was not my recommendation until I saw this audit report. We have not lost efficiency from any program, we have increased it. It doesn't make any difference to me whether they move down here or not but the Council invested in me the responsibility of their programs, therefore I will do the job to the best of my knowledge and ability, and I think the one roof concept is best, do the job right or not do it at all. I feel for effective control, the programs should be brought together to work together for what we want, meaning the reservation, and the people on the reservation. Too many people have been telling you what you want for many years, now do it your way.

Prior to me taking over my position, the first expenditures for monthly bills ran \$13,793; last month it was \$6,743. This month will be less than \$2,000. This was done by at least a partial one roof concept of management, yet no program has been effected in its output to the people. All we did was close a few loop holes. I am sure if Mr. Rus would bring his books down here, the effectiveness of the program would not be stopped or changed. I don't see how moving two-bookkeepers will effect any output. If you were being asked to move out of town, maybe it would, but not a move within the Community. As long as I have the responsibility to the Tribal Council on running programs and seeing that audit reports like this do not come in any more, I must have a one roof concept for all programs. As long as the Tribe is the grantee, they are ultimately responsible; if I have to answer as their representative, then I will have to have control.

Futhermore, I recommend that if Mr. Rus would like to pursue litigation on the unjust comments in the report, if unjust comments were made, I would recommend that Mr. Srstka, the Tribal Attorney, represent Mr. Rus in a law suit against the Stuart & Noonan Accounting firm. If he feels he is being taken advantage of, then the entire thing should be turned over to the FBI for their investigation with our Attorney defending Mr. Rus and the matter cleared up. I feel if I was Mr. Rus. with the comments made in the audit report not being true, I would be starting legal action in a hurry. With an impartial audit and an investigation, I am sure Stuart & Noonan will be out of business in no time. There has been too many questions left by the reports that are unanswered. I feel personally that Mr. Rus should be cleared of alleged charges. If this is a personal grudge against him, it can be cleared up and fast.

Mr. Rus - No, I am personally not out to hang Stuart & Noonan. I dare to admit to any shortcomings. I am not one to want to go into court, I don't like to be taken into court and I wouldn't want to do it to anyone else.

Mr. Kosko - Then the only thing I can recommend, for future stoppage of anything like this, is to have inner control.

Chairman - What is the Council's reaction?

Mrs. Gourneau - I have stated my views, I would like to hear the rest of the Council.

Mr. Langdeau - It appears to me that we can sit here all day and nothing is going to be accomplished. I would be more than willing to sit here if there were to be some light shed on this, but it is getting darker all the time. We have a program here, we need to take some type of action to hopefully resolve it.

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In the best interest of the Tribe, the only way I can see it is that we, and I will put this in the form of a motion, which will be somewhat general, that the Tribe take the necessary steps to achieve their objectives that they have been working towards over the past several months and years, and that in order to work towards this we should follow up actions taken by the Council at various meetings to up-grade Tribal operations, so that it would benefit all members of the Tribe. I feel that in order to, hopefully, accomplish this that all Tribal Organizations and Programs should be, must be, under a one roof concept, working day to day with the Business Manager.

Mrs. Gourneau - I will second the motion.

VOTE - Four for, J.W. Thompson and Andrew Estes absent, quorum present, motion carried.

Mr. Rus - In a conversation with Mr. Noonan, he pretty much retracted alot of the accusations, to the point that he promised you and me, that in his audit report to the Government and the Regional Auditor, that he would not put that in the report.

Chairman - Mr. Rus, in viewing the report, you can see he did.

Mr. Rus - I don't want anything protecting me.

Chairman - It isn't an effort to protect you, but to protect the Tribe.

Mr. Rus - Then go ahead.

Mr. Kosko - In protecting Mr. Rus, we will be protecting the Tribe. I say back him 100%, right or wrong, if he is wrong then deal with him with Tribal Council action, however, we must take action to clear this up.

Mr. Rus - At this point, I would say in the event that Washington begins an interrogation, I am not going to stand for it. We have all the more reason to bring our C.A.P. Program into focus, but anytime this has happened elsewhere, it seems to have been a hindrance.

Mr. Kosko - Is this a personal reflection against the Tribe.

Mr. Rus - No.

Mr. Kosko - In the future, where there is a questionable area, stop it immediately. If O.E.O. does come down, the main question is going to be what are you going to do in the future, what measures are you going to take to stop something like this from happening again; they will ask why and what has been done to correct it. They will want to know if we have followed the auditor's recommendations.

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Mr. Jandreau - Does this audit report accomplish the proposal for refunding?

Mr. Rus - No. We have already had a letter of intent.

Chairman - Mr. Rus, are you under the assumption that you will be working directly for Mr. Kosko?

Mr. Rus - No.

Mr. Kosko - What is the difference in coming to this office or yours?

Mr. Rus - I would like to be excused. I have mixed feelings about this thing. Don't be surprized if you see my resignation. I can't see myself being effective in the program like this. It will be up to Mr. Kosko to inform them they will have to come down here. If I may be excused. (Mr. Rus left the meeting)

Mr. Kosko - Seeing as he has given his resignation, I would recommend that the Board take action to cover us. He has complete control of money. I would suggest that if Mr. Rus submits his resignation, that an audit be performed and all records be turned over to the FBI for further investigation, to see if Mr. Noonan has something personal against Mr. Rus, or if his accusations are not personal but actual.

Mrs. Gourneau - I Will make a motion to that effect.

Mr. Jandreau - I will second the motion.

Vote - four for, two absent.

Chairman - The motion has been made and seconded, if his resignation is submitted, the books be further investigated as to validity of report and the validity of remarks made by the auditor. We must do this to protect our integrity and ability to handle our own programs.

Mr. Kosko - I would like to request that the Council write a letter to all departments explaining my duties and responsibilities. The Council agreed, a letter will be prepared for the Chairman's signature.

Mrs. Gourneau made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Grace Estes; there were no objections.