



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
July 6, 2022**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday July 6, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:09 am.

The opening prayer was led by John McCauley.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes
Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell (10:17 am)
Secretary-Treasurer: Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Council Member: Stephanie Bolman (telephonic)
Council Member: John McCauley
Council Member: Donovan Grassrope

Also Present:

Randy Seiler	Kenna McGhee	Kirby McGhee	Houston Roulliard
Yuma House	Tim Azure	Jim Jandreau	Sheryl Scott
Lance Witte	Logan Moeller	Brian Wagner	Roquel Gourneau
Joel Bich	Lydia Sazue	Chris Skunk	Wendy Kroupa
Lou White Light	Jeshua Estes	Marlo Langdeau	Shirley Crane
James Two Bulls	Sean Wooster	Emily Flute	Susan Quilt
Jana Brouse	Wilma Wilson		

1. Close June 2022 Meeting

Motion was made by John McCauley to close the June 2022 meeting. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent (Cody Russell).

2. Approve June 2022 Minutes

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the June 2022 minutes, to include any spelling corrections. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, none opposing, one absent (Cody Russell).

3. Lower Brule Law Enforcement

Executive Session 10:13 am
Return 11:07 am

4. Bear Butte Lease

Motion was made by John McCauley to renew the lease at Bear Butte for a period of ten years to Jim Jandreau and Clint Jandreau to include adding outside upkeep of the Sacred Hills area. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion fails with the vote being three for, one abstaining (Marvin Grassrope Sr.), one against (Stephanie Bolman).

5. South Dakota Medicaid Expansion

Motion was made by Cody Russell to support Medicaid Expansion through an Amendment to Article XXI, Constitution of South Dakota. This motion was seconded by John McCauley.

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

6. Sandra Abdo Request

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve Sandra Abdo to run the concession stand for the 2022 Rodeo. This motion was seconded by Stephanie Bolman.

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

7. Black-Footed Ferret Project

Motion was made by Cody Russell to accept the Black-Footed Ferret Recovery Project, one-time PL 93-638 grant in the amount of \$49,932. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

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

8. Liability Waiver

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the Liability Waiver and Release Form for the 2022 Annual Fair. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

9. Lower Brule Department of Health

There are currently two active COVID-19 cases in Lower Brule. Monkey Pox is currently in 28 states, the closest being in Nebraska.

No Action Taken.

10. Lower Brule School System

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the bid from Carpet Plus in the amount of \$18,118.78. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the bid from BSN for the purchase of new bleachers in the amount of \$65,973. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the bid from MacDoctors for the purchase of 15 MacBook Pros in the amount of \$18,749.85. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

11. Tribal Education Department

Motion was made by Cody Russell to send a letter to the House Committee on Appropriations requesting an increase in ISEP funding for the Lower Brule School System. This motion was seconded by John McCauley.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve Brian Wagner to continue with the Lower Brule Tribe's Health Insurance, he will pay his own premium costs. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

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

12. Sheryl Scott

Ms. Scott is available for questions on proposed amendments; a date will be set for further review.

No Action Taken.

Recess 12:40 pm

Return 1:42 pm

13. BIA

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve a written request to lease tract 531-1 to Ronnie Rae Daly. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve a one-year renewal on homesite #225-289-1944 for Marlo Langdeau. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to lease tract 531-1 to Ronnie Rae Daly for a period of five years. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

14. Lower Brule Cultural Resources Department

For the 2022 Annual Fair, the cooks have been selected and an advertisement will go out for security positions. The Lower Brule Farm has donated \$15,000 for supplies to repair the powwow grounds.

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to donate one elk and one buffalo to the Annual 2022 Powwow from the Lower Brule Wildlife Department. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

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

15. Tribal Planning Department

The Economic Development Administration (EDA) has tentatively awarded \$3,676,335 to fund the grocery store in Lower Brule.

The Red Tail Express bus bay is on schedule to be completed at the end of November 2022.

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes to sign the General Services Administration (GSA) lease amendment. This motion was seconded by John McCauley. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

16. Lower Brule Wildlife Program

The River Project is expected to be completed by December 2023.

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the Lower Brule Wildlife Department to submit a grant application through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

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

17. Lower Brule Enrollment Committee

Closed Session 3:53 pm

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve eight on reservation individuals to be enrolled into the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one against (Stephanie Bolman).

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve three off reservation individuals to be enrolled into the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

18. Other Business

Motion was made by John McCauley to enter into a contract with Hanna Law Office, P.C. for legal services for ICWA and to authorize the Tribal Chairman to execute said contract on behalf of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to enter into a contract with Donald M. McCarty for legal services and hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman to execute said contract on behalf of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one against (Stephanie Bolman).

Motion was made by John McCauley to authorize Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes to sign the contract for Lucky Seven Management Company for the Lower Brule Farm Corporation. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

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

Motion was made by John McCauley to use Ferding Electric for the Annual 2022 Powwow for a cost of \$7,018. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Cody Russell withdrew his second.

Motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

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

Open Session 4:40 pm

19. Emily Flute Request

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to begin the process of an enrollment audit of the Lower Brule Enrollment Program. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one against (John McCauley).

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to declare June 30th as DeWayne Goodface Sr. Day. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

20. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Closed session 5:21 pm

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to hire Cameron Middletent as the Director of the Lower Brule Employment Enterprise Program. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope. Motion failed with the vote being three members for, two abstaining (John McCauley, Stephanie Bolman).

Motion was made by John McCauley to hire Lewis Grassrope as the Native Connections Director, with Kylee Estes as the alternate. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one not voting—vote goes with majority (Marvin Grassrope Sr.).

Motion was made by John McCauley to hire Christopher Grassrope as the Youth Development Coordinator for the Lower Brule Teen Center. This motion was seconded by Stephanie Bolman. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by John McCauley to hire Tim Azure as the Tribal Manager for the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Recess 5:52 pm

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in Regular Session with a quorum present on the 6th day of July, 2022.



Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe