



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
July 2, 2025**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday July 2, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Boyd Gourneau at 10:01 a.m.

The opening prayer was led by Cody Russell.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Boyd Gourneau
Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell
Secretary-Treasurer: Marty Jandreau
Council Member: Kamela Wilson
Council Member: Joelle Battese
Council Member: Marlo Langdeau

Also Attending:

Bob Merritt	Mike Normile	Roquel Gourneau	Darrell Middletent
Sadie Jandreau	DJ Middletent	Tim Azure	Kimm Schweitzer
Ben Estes	Brian Wagner	Brent Charger	Jeshua Estes
Avery Thompson	Shenan Atcitty	Mark Van Norman	Craig Adams
Yuma House	Houston Rouillard		

1. Close June 2025 Meeting

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve closing the June 2025 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Marlo Langdeau.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Joelle Battese).

2. Approve June 2025 Minutes

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve June 2025 minutes. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Joelle Battese).

Councilmember Joelle Battese entered the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

3. General Assistance Guidelines

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the General Assistance Program Guidelines, effective immediately. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

4. Desiree LaRoche Request

Mrs. LaRoche submitted a written request to purchase the old, tin building previously belonging to Brad Whitney.

To be fair, the Tribal Council verbally requested the Tribal Manager to put the building out for bid.

No Action Taken.

5. IHS

Kimm Schweitzer provided an update on staff and pharmacy renovations.

No Action Taken.

6. South Dakota Native Tourism Alliance

The South Dakota Native Tourism Alliance provided an overview of what their program does on promoting Native tourism.

No Action Taken.

7. EDA-Tim Azure

Motion was made by Cody Russell to authorize the tribal chairman to sign off on various task orders associated with the reconstruction of BIA highways 5 and 10. This motion was seconded by Marlo Langdeau.

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

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve of selling 6-30,000-gallon LP bulk storage tanks. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

8. Lower Brule Schools

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the school 2025-2026 budget in the amount of \$6,946,617.24, with quarterly updates to be provided to the council. This motion was seconded by Marty Jandreau.

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

Motion was made by Marty Jandreau to approve the bid from Sharpe Enterprise in the amount of \$1,362,000.00 for the school FI&R Project. This motion was seconded by Joelle Battese.

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

Motion was made by Kamela Wilson to approve the bid from My Turn Playsystems—Burke in the amount of \$111,285.00 for the purchase of elementary school playground equipment. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Marlo Langdeau).

9. TED, Head Start

Jeshua Estes is the new Education Specialist. The deadline for higher education applications is September 1, 2025.

No Action Taken.

10. BIA

Enrollment ID machine is working.
No Action Taken.

11. Tribal Manager Update

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve FY and/or CY 2025 lease proposal under section 105L of the ISEAA, IHS. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve FY and/or CY 2025 lease proposal under section 105L of the ISEAA, BIA. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none absent.

12. BIA Police

Executive Session 2:21 p.m.
Return 2:57 p.m.

13. Other

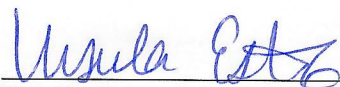
Motion was made by Marty Jandreau to approve the South Dakota State's extradition request for Ivan Blacksmith. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Joelle Battese).

Motion was made by Marlo Langdeau to approve the South Dakota State's extradition request for James Holloway. This motion was seconded by Kamela Wilson.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Joelle Battese).

Recess 3:57 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the actions and decisions of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council assembled in Regular Session with a quorum present on the 2nd day of July, 2025.



Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe