



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
May 4, 2022**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday May 4, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:07 am.

The opening prayer was led by John McCauley.

Roll Call:

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

Also Present:

Randy Seiler	Shana Grassel	Chris Skunk	Sheryl Scott
Monique Walters	Bernetta Traversie	Kimm Schweitzer	Susy Short Bear
Stephanie Langdeau	Sasha Carpenter	Lance Witte	Logan Moeller
Roquel Gourneau	Brian Wagner	DeWayne Goodface	Eunice Goodface
Melinda Lacota	James Two Bulls	Eyvonne Rekow	Sean Wooster
Tim Azure	Larry Jandreau	Fedelia Skunk	Garfield Goodface
Norma Grassrope	Wilma Wilson	Emily Flute	

1. Close April 2022 Meeting

Motion was made by John McCauley to close the April 2022 meeting. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

2. Approve April 2022 Minutes

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the April minutes, to include any spelling corrections. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

3. Lower Brule Wildlife

Tabled.

4. Lower Brule Indian Health Services

The clinic is currently at 75% of their collections goal.

Mike Ryan will certify to become a tele coach.

NO ACTIVE COVID-19 CASES FOR 9 WEEKS STRAIGHT!

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to request more dental care funding for the Lower Brule Indian Health Service Unit. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

5. Lower Brule Shoreline Project

Motion was made by John McCauley to select Best Buy Plan #9 for the Lower Brule North Project feasibility study and support continuing the planning and design. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

6. Lower Brule Road Department

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the bid from Midstates Equipment and Supply for a Mastic Mixer in the amount of \$50,980, to be covered under available funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funds or CRRSA funds. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

7. Lower Brule Solid Waste Department

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the bid from Sanitation Products for a Freightliner Truck in the amount of \$220,089, to be covered under available funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funds. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

8. Red Bird Consulting

Tabled.

9. Lower Brule Cultural Resources Program

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve the budget for the 2022 Annual Fair, Rodeo, Powwow and Softball in the amount of \$269,110. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

10. Lower Brule Restoring Hope Program

This program does not cover family violence. It does cover the following five (5) crimes: Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking.

No Action Taken.

11. Lower Brule Schools

Motion was made by Stephanie Bolman to approve the Lower Brule School System's amended Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation (CRRSA) budget of \$1,628,300. 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 the bid from Pro Track and Tennis Inc. for track finish surface in the amount of \$158,000. 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 Pro Track and Tennis Inc. to resurface the concrete basketball courts in the amount of \$26,500. 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 CDW-G to purchase iPads and MacBook Pros in the amount of \$27,870. 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 recognize that the Lower Brule Community requires a new school, to replace the Lower Brule Day School, which includes the construction of affordable employee housing, in order to retain and recruit highly qualified teachers and support staff, and to continue the education of our most precious resource, our children. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

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

Motion was made Cody Russell to approve the Letter of Agreement for contract services/speech related services between the Lower Brule Schools and Lance L. Witte Consulting LLC, upon review by the tribal attorney. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

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

12. Tribal Education Department (TED) & Higher Education Department

Higher Education Department requested for council to support their funding with the finance department, get payment requests processed and checks sent out to the students' schools.

No Action Taken.

13. DeWayne Goodface

Mr. Goodface addressed the council on BIA Police authority and jurisdiction within the reservation boundaries, specifically about towing vehicles off the reservation. Councilmember McCauley will look further into this.

No Action Taken.

14. Eunice Goodface

Ms. Goodface requested council support for her acquiring a job and housing for her transition back to Lower Brule.

No Action Taken.

Recess 12:46 pm

Return 1:39 pm

15 Devon Riter-Lower Brule Education Project

Motion was made by Stephanie Bolman to approve Chairman Clyde Estes to sign the Rackham Program in Public Scholarship Grant Data Presentation Agreement form. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

16. BIA

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to renew the 2022 Expiring Agriculture Leases for ten (10) years, this does not include leases for Jerry Christensen, Richard Thompson Sr. Estate, Elaine Thompson and Cayne Reinhard. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Marvin Grassrope Sr).

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to renew the 2022 Expiring Range Units/Grazing Permits for ten (10) years at the same rate, this does not include Richard Thompson Sr. Estate and Tim Jandreau. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Marvin Grassrope Sr).

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve a homesite lease for Travis LaRoche for a period of one (1) year. 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 approve the request by Marilyn Whitney to add Carolyn LaRoche to her homesite lease. This motion was seconded by Stephanie Bolman. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

17. Lower Brule Tribal Planning

The Director of Tribal Planning, Tim Azure, and Director of Facilities, Larry Jandreau, provided an update to the council on current community projects.

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve Chairman Clyde Estes to sign a request for funds for a Road Safety Audit in the amount of \$40,143. This motion was seconded by Stephanie Bolman.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Cody Russell).

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve Chairman Clyde Estes to sign a request for 638 funds to rebuild 6 BIA Homes in the amount of \$167,426. This motion was seconded by Donovan Grassrope.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one absent (Cody Russell).

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve Chairman Clyde Estes to sign documentation for a Long-Range Transportation Plan, with any corrections to be made. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

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

18. Eyvonne Rekow

Ms. Rekow asked questions regarding the Homeowners Assistance Program. She requested to be on the agenda for the June council meeting.

No Action Taken.

19. Lower Brule Enrollment

Closed Session 3:50 pm

Motion was made by Stephanie Bolman to approve seven (7) on Reservation individuals to be enrolled into the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. 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 one (1) off Reservation individual 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.

Motion was made by John McCauley to approve to correct the Lower Brule Enrollment Policy to reflect under the Appeals process it state "Lower Brule Tribal Council" in place of "Lower Brule Tribal Court". This motion was seconded by Cody Russell. Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Open Session 3:58 pm

20. Emily Flute

Ms. Flute asked questions on the homeless shelters and when they will reopen. She also had questions on the amount of money the elderly receives from the Golden Buffalo Casino on a monthly basis.

No Action Taken.

21. WIOA Program

WIOA Director, Fedelia Skunk, provided an update to the council on her program and that she completed current reporting to the granting agency.

No Action Taken.

22. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Closed Session 4:32 pm

Lower Brule Counseling Service

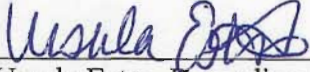
Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve to hire Pam Kersting as the Case Coordinator for the Lower Brule Counseling Service. This motion was seconded by John McCauley.

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

Recess 5:06 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 4th day of May, 2022.



Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe