



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
December 7, 2022**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Wednesday December 7, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 10:13 am.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau and dedicated to Mary Shields, Joel Brouse Jr., Deidra Bad Horse, and Janet Michalek.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes
Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell
Secretary-Treasurer: Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Council Member: Jewel Jandreau
Council Member: Chris Skunk
Council Member: Fely Goodface

Also Present:

Sheryl Scott	Eddie Brommich	Ellen Durkin	Avery Thompson
Martha Coleman	Wilma Wilson	DeWayne Goodface	Alvin Grassrope Sr.
Shirley Crane	Lance Witte	Logan Moeller	Brian Wagner
Wendy Kroupa	Joel Bich	Lydia Sazue	Jana Brouse
James Two Bulls	Sheldon Fletcher	Josie Skunk	Ramona Johnson
Daniel Goodface			

1. Close November 2022 Meeting

Motion was made by Cody Russell to close the November 2022 meeting. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

2. Approve November 2022 Minutes

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the November 2022 minutes, with corrections. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

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

3. Lower Brule Environmental Protection Office

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to receive the Adaptation Grant Funding in the amount of \$195,055. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

4. Oacoma Project

Tabled.

5. Phyllis Smith Request

Tribal Manager Tim Azure to obtain more details.
Tabled.

6. Lower Brule Judicial Committee

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Judicial Committee's recommendation to hire Burt Bucher as the Tribal Prosecutor. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Fely Goodface for Tribal Attorney Randy Seiler to review the details of hiring Burt Bucher and present to the Tribal Council. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

7. Lower Brule Gaming Commission

Closed Session 10:54 am

Motion was made by Fely Goodface to advertise the General Manager position for the Golden Buffalo Casino. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

Open Session 11:13 am

8. Dakota Indian Foundation Board

The DIF Board provided the council with an update on gift boxes they will be handing out to the community with preference to veterans and elders.

No Action Taken.

9. Lower Brule Health Board

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Great Plains Initiative to be conducted in Lower Brule. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

10. Sheryl Scott

The Tribal council will review all information and will schedule a meeting with the Constitutional Committee in January 2023.

No Action Taken.

11. Lower Brule Enrollment

Closed Session 11:58 am

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve twelve (12) 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 five members for, none opposing.

Executive Session 12:10 pm
Open Session 12:17 pm

12. Lower Brule Schools

Motion was made by Cody Russell to support the Lower Brule School to submit a Career and Technical Education (CTE) Grant in the amount of \$40,000 to the Lower Brule Corporation. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

13. Tribal Education Department

An update was provided on the program and Brian Wagner was available for questions from the Council.
No Action Taken.

14. BIA

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to put Range Unit 30 up for bid for 30 days for a ten (10) year lease. This motion was seconded by Fely Goodface. Fely Goodface withdrew her motion. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

15. Joel Bich

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes to send a letter requesting a feasibility study on Counselor Creek and Little Bend areas. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

16. Lower Brule Daycare

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Lower Brule Daycare Policies & Procedures and Emergency Preparedness Plan. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

17. Lower Brule Elderly Program

Currently, there are 139 elders in the community and the Elderly program delivers meals to 86 elders 55 years of age and older.
No Action Taken.

18. Lower Brule Personnel Department

Closed Session 4:29 pm

CHR Program

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve to hire Carolyn LaRoche for the position of Community Health Representative (CHR). This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Lower Brule Tribal Court

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to hire Desiree LaRoche for the position of Probation Officer. This motion was seconded by Jewel Jandreau.

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

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve Tammy Fonder as the alternate for the Probation Officer position. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Cultural Resources Department

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve to hire McKayla Estes for the position of Public Information/Cultural Resources Director. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion failed with the vote being three members for, two abstaining (Cody Russell, Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to hire Boyd Gourneau for the position of Public Information/Cultural Resources Director. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Fely Goodface to approve Dallas Charging as the alternate for the position of Public Information/Cultural Resources Director. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

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

Lower Brule Housing Board

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to open nominations for the Lower Brule Housing Board one (1) year term. This motion was seconded by Fely Goodface.

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

Nominations: Cody Russell—Evelyn Charging
 Marvin Grassrope Sr.—Tim Feliciano
 Chris Skunk—Joelle Battese
 Fely Goodface—Rikki Middletent
 Jewel Jandreau—Rikki Middletent

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve Evelyn Charging for the Lower Brule Housing Board one (1) year term. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

Motion carried with the vote being three members for, one not voting—vote goes with the majority (Marvin Grassrope Sr.), one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve to open nominations for the Lower Brule Housing Board two (2) year term. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

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

Nominations: Cody Russell—Kamela Wilson
Marvin Grassrope Sr.—Tim Feliciano
Chris Skunk—Tim Feliciano
Fely Goodface—DeWayne Goodface
Jewel Jandreau—Rikki Middletent

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Tim Feliciano for the Lower Brule Housing Board two (2) year term. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Open Session 5:31 pm

19. Other Business

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the 2022 New Years Eve Pow wow budget in the amount of \$6,295. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the request for a donation of \$1,500 to Diversity Foundation of Minnesota for Toys for Tots to be delivered in Lower Brule to the youth. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

20. Tribal Manager Update

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve the Bridge Program Application request for two and/or three new bridges to be submitted by BIA for Bridge Program Funding, and to contract through Public Law 93-638 procedures if funding is provided. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to accept Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funding for \$256,026 to improve access to Tribal Government Facilities and \$40,143 for a Road Safety Audit, to contract through Public Law 93-638 procedures if funding is provided. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to request the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Transportation Division, to apply for Federal Highway/BIA “High Priority Project (HPP)” funding for the Lower Brule Sioux Indian Reservation BIA 10 TIGER Project for Shoulder Widening. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Cody Russell to approve setting up a Transportation General Account to better assist the tracking of Transportation related funding. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Motion carried with the vote being five members for, none opposing.

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes to sign Task Order. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve Jim Jandreau for the Bear Butte Lease in Meade County for five (5) years through December 31, 2027. This motion was seconded by Marvin Grassrope Sr.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one abstaining (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve a Negative Economic Impact Payment to all enrolled members in the amount of \$500, who were enrolled as of December 7, 2022, and the deadline to apply for this payment is January 31, 2023. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

Recess 6:31 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 7th day of December, 2022.



Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
December 8, 2022**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Thursday December 8, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 11:18 am.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes
Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell
Secretary-Treasurer: Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Council Member: Jewel Jandreau
Council Member: Chris Skunk
Council Member: Fely Goodface

1. Other Business

Motion was made by Marvin Grassrope Sr. to approve end of the year additional compensation for employees under Indirect Cost, LBST Daycare and the LBST Commodity Program. This motion was seconded by Chris Skunk.

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

Recess 11:23 am

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 8th day of December, 2022.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe



**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
Tribal Council Minutes
December 19, 2022**

The Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council meeting was held at the Tribal Administration Building on Monday December 19, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clyde J.R. Estes at 11:23 am.

The opening prayer was led by Jewel Jandreau.

Roll Call:

Chairman: Clyde J.R. Estes
Vice Chairman: Neil "Cody" Russell
Secretary-Treasurer: Marvin Grassrope Sr.
Council Member: Jewel Jandreau
Council Member: Chris Skunk
Council Member: Fely Goodface

1. Other Business

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to declare the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe in a State of Emergency due to the December 13-16, 2022 Snowstorm. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve a resolution relating to finance, authorizing the execution and delivery of a first supplemental trust indenture and related closing documents and exchanging the series 2007 Bond numbered R-1 for a new series 2007 Bond numbered R-2. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

Motion carried with the vote being four members for, one against (Fely Goodface).

Motion was made by Chris Skunk to approve the Task Order for the Oacoma Project, pending Tribal Attorney Randy Seiler's review. This motion was seconded by Cody Russell.

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

Recess 12:16 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 19th day of December, 2022.

Ursula Estes, Recording Secretary
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe