

X

OFFICIAL BYLAWS OF THE IDEAL LAKOTA COMMUNITY

PREAMBLE

Under and by the virtue of our Creator and His divine providence, we the members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, the Ideal Lakota Community, in Tripp County, in the state of South Dakota, in order to establish a united community organization to promote Justice, to insure tranquility and enjoy the Blessing of our common resources and to promote the best welfare of the present generation and our posterity in education and industry, do hereby adopt and establish these bylaws.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be those people who reside within the Ideal Lakota Community who have been accepted into the Community at any regular meeting of the Ideal Lakota Community and who have met the following requirements:

1. Those wishing to apply for membership in the Community must have established residency or lived in the Community for thirty (30) days.
2. Any person or persons applying for membership in the Ideal Lakota Community must be present at the time of application. A signed statement of release from the chairperson of their previous community and said statement shall include a statement of last voting rights in previous community.
3. Any person applying for membership in the Ideal Lakota Community after meeting the above requirements shall be required to register as a voter in Ideal Lakota Community. Said registration shall be through the proper procedure and according to the voter registration laws of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, 30 days in this community is a requirement for voting in any tribe elections and be an enrolled member of the tribe.
4. Members moving from the community for a period longer than ninety (90) days shall automatically lose their membership and required to meet and complete the residency requirements of the Ideal Lakota Community.

ARTICLE I OFFICERS

The governing body of the Ideal Lakota Community shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sargent-At-Arms and such other officers as the community may deem to be required or necessary. Each of whom shall be an eligible tribal voter and elected according to the bylaws herein contained:

1. Vacancies: A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, or for cause, may be filled by the Ideal Lakota Community members at a regular or special meeting for the unexpired terms of the community officers. The unexpired terms of Council Representatives and Community Chairperson shall be filled in accordance with the Rosebud Sioux Tribes constitution and bylaws and in accordance with the bylaws herein contained, page 2 and 3, Article III, Section 6 of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe constitution and bylaws.

ARTICLE II DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Chairperson shall be the principal executive officer of the community and shall be subject to the control of the community. He/she shall in general manage, supervise, and administer all employees and affairs of the community. He/she shall call and preside, when present at all meetings of the community. He/she shall sign, with the secretary of other proper officers, certificates of membership, deeds, mortgages, contracts, or other instruments which the community has authorized to the chairperson, as the community may prescribe to him/her. The Chairperson shall vote only to break a tie in voting.

Vice Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson when called upon to do so by the chairperson and in the absence of the chairperson or in the event of his/her inability to act. The Vice Chairperson shall perform all the duties of the Chairperson and when so acting, shall have all the powers of, and shall be subject to the restrictions upon the Chairperson.

Secretary shall keep a full and accurate accounting of all proceedings of each regular and special meeting of the Ideal Lakota Community and shall perform such duties of like nature as the community and Chairperson may from time to time assign him/her. He/she shall send copies of the minutes and resolutions of each meeting to the Tribal Secretary or his/her designated representative within 5 working days. The Secretary shall be responsible for the presentation reading of all minutes of previous meetings and shall be responsible for all the postings of all up and coming regular or special meetings of the Ideal Lakota Community. Notices and posting shall be done in all local public areas. The local newspaper and radio station.

Treasurer shall be custodian of all monies, checks, grants, audit and accounts which come under the jurisdiction or control of the Ideal Lakota Community, the Treasurer shall pay out monies in accordance with the directions of the Chairperson and supported by minutes of the community, for the benefit of the community. Any checks signed by the Treasurer must be countersigned by the Chairperson. All in-coming monies, checks, etc. will be deposited in a bank or depository designated by Ideal Lakota Community motion at a duly call meeting. The books of the Ideal Lakota Community shall be subject to inspection by an officer and community member; to include bank deposits, withdrawls or any check with monthly bank statements, with 15 day written notice from the Chairperson of the community. The books shall be audited at least annually by

a CPA of BIA. No petty cash fund is authorized. The treasurer shall prepare a monthly statement of all monies received or expended and said statement shall be presented at all regular meetings.

Sargent-At-Arms shall be to keep order at all regular and special meetings of the community as requested by the presiding officer. Shall count all votes and keep track of time limits placed on certain speakers. The time limit to be set by the Chairperson. The sargent-at-arms shall see to it that no loud boisterous or intoxicated persons disrupt the proceedings and to eject same from premises if needed. In general perform duties as assigned by the Chairperson.

ARTICLE III ELECTIONS & MEETINGS

Section I: Election of the Community Chairperson shall be according to Ordinance RST 86-10. All Ideal Lakota Community elections unless for vacancy shall be held according to Article III, Section 11 of the RST Constitution.

"Sec. 11, newly-elected tribal officers and community representatives shall begin their official duties on the first business day of the first week following their certification by the Tribal Election Board." (Amendment No. XVII, effective September 23, 1985.)

For the election of the Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary, Sargent-At-Arms and any Board Members:

- a. All voting shall be by secret ballot.
- b. Nominations of any person, to any office, that are not present at the meeting in progress, shall not be accepted.
- c. Terms of office for elected officers shall be for one year.

Section II: Eligible voters shall be any member of the Ideal Lakota Community who has established membership in the Ideal Laktoa Community in accordance with the membership policy set forth herin, and who has resided in the community for 30 days after obtaining the required membership in accordance with these bylaws and who is at least 18 years old.

Section III: Tribal membership: Only enrolled members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe shall be eligible to vote in tribal elections. All other community residents ~~may~~ vote in community affairs only.

Section IV: Quorum: A quorum shall be eleven (11) community members. A majority is required for a decision.

Section V: Absenteeism: If absent ~~from~~ three (3) consecutive regular or special community meetings, without a show of good

cause, officers will automatically forfeit their office.

- a. Notification of an intended absence from any meeting shall be filed orally or in writing before any meeting except in the case of an emergency. Reflection of excused absence must appear in minutes of the meeting of the community.
- b. The Community may recommend the removal of a Council person to the Tribal Ethics Commission.

Section VI: Regular meetings: All regular meetings of the Ideal Lakota Community shall be held on the first Tuesday of every month. Odd months in Ideal (Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.) even months (Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct., Dec.) in Winner.

- a. Notice of all meetings shall be posted at all local businesses (3) days prior to the meeting.

Section VII: Special Meetings; All special meetings of the Community shall be called by the Chairperson of the Community. Any other request will be taken under consideration by the Chairperson, but shall be called upon receipt of a petition signed by at least (11) members of the Community and those signing the must be present at the meeting.

ARTICLE IV COMMITTEES

Section I: The Ideal Lakota Community hereby establishes two housing boards: one in Ideal and one in Winner in conjunction and cooperation with the Rosebud Housing Authority whose laws shall govern this board.

Section II: The Ideal Lakota Community hereby establishes a JOM Board in conjunction and cooperation with the Local Indian Education Board.

ARTICLE V HEALTH BOARD

Section I: The Ideal Lakota Community hereby establishes a Health Board in conjunction and cooperation with the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Health Board.

Section II: ~~Members of~~ the Board shall consist of (7) members of the Ideal Lakota ~~Community~~.

Section III: Terms of the officers shall be one year.

Section IV: Officers of the Board: There shall be a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, ~~Secretary~~. The duties of the officers ~~will~~ be as in Article II of these bylaws.

ARTICLE VI GAMING BOARD

The Ideal Community exercising their right under Article IX, Section III, reserved powers has established a Gaming Board. On November 14, 1989 bylaws were passed for the Gaming Board and shall be followed for the election of the Board Members.

And by this Article V of the Ideal Lakota Community bylaws do hereby recognize the establishment of the Winner Ideal Lakota Development Gaming Board, which shall be governed by the RST Constitution.

ARTICLE VI LAND

All home assignments and land assignments requested by individuals, groups or organizations of Rosebud Sioux Tribal lands, concerning the Ideal Lakota Community shall have community recommendation to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council for action.

Section I: All home sites recommended by Ideal Lakota Community and approved by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe for community members, shall not be less than 2½ acres nor more than 10 acres.

Section II: All business sites recommended by Ideal Lakota Community and approved by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe shall be 10 acres no more or less at one time.

ARTICLE VII VOTING RIGHTS

Any Ideal Lakota Community resident who meets membership requirements as set forth in these bylaws and who is at least (18) eighteen years of age and an enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe shall be entitled to vote in community and/or tribal affairs. Ideal members who are not enrolled members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe shall be eligible to vote in community affairs, but shall not have a right to vote in tribal matters or in elections.

Section I: In any election or referendum, each member who is qualified to vote, can vote, provided they have met the membership requirements of these bylaws and have met the requirements set forth in Section II of Article III of these bylaws.

Section II: A member list shall be kept which will be updated every six (6) months and voted on in regular or special meetings.

ARTICLE IX RESERVED POWERS

Section I: Any rights or powers heretofore vested in the Ideal Lakota Community but not expressly referred to in these bylaws shall not be shortened by the Rosebud Sioux tribe, but may be exercised by the Ideal Lakota Community, through the adoption of appropriate amendments to these bylaws.

Section II: The Ideal Lakota Community may consult with representatives of the Interior Department or any other government agency that affects the Ideal Lakota Community on all matters of local interest, and may make recommendations to the Tribal Council.

Section III: The Ideal Lakota Community may under take and manage local enterprises for the benefit of the community.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by the qualified voters of the Ideal Lakota Community. Article III, Section II: A meeting may be called for this purpose and a majority vote of 3/4 to change bylaws. The Chairperson shall call such a meeting or a petition signed by 3/4 of the Ideal Lakota Community. These bylaws as amended will become effective when passed by the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council and Ideal Lakota Community.

ARTICLE XI ADOPTION OF BYLAWS

By adoption of these bylaws at a regular meeting of the Ideal Lakota Community all previous bylaws are hereby rescinded and these bylaws hereby become effective.

ARTICLE XIII OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____ do hereby support the constitution of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and bylaws of the Ideal Lakota Community. I will carry out faithfully, the duties of my office to the best of my ability and I will cooperate, promote, and protect the best interest of my tribe community.

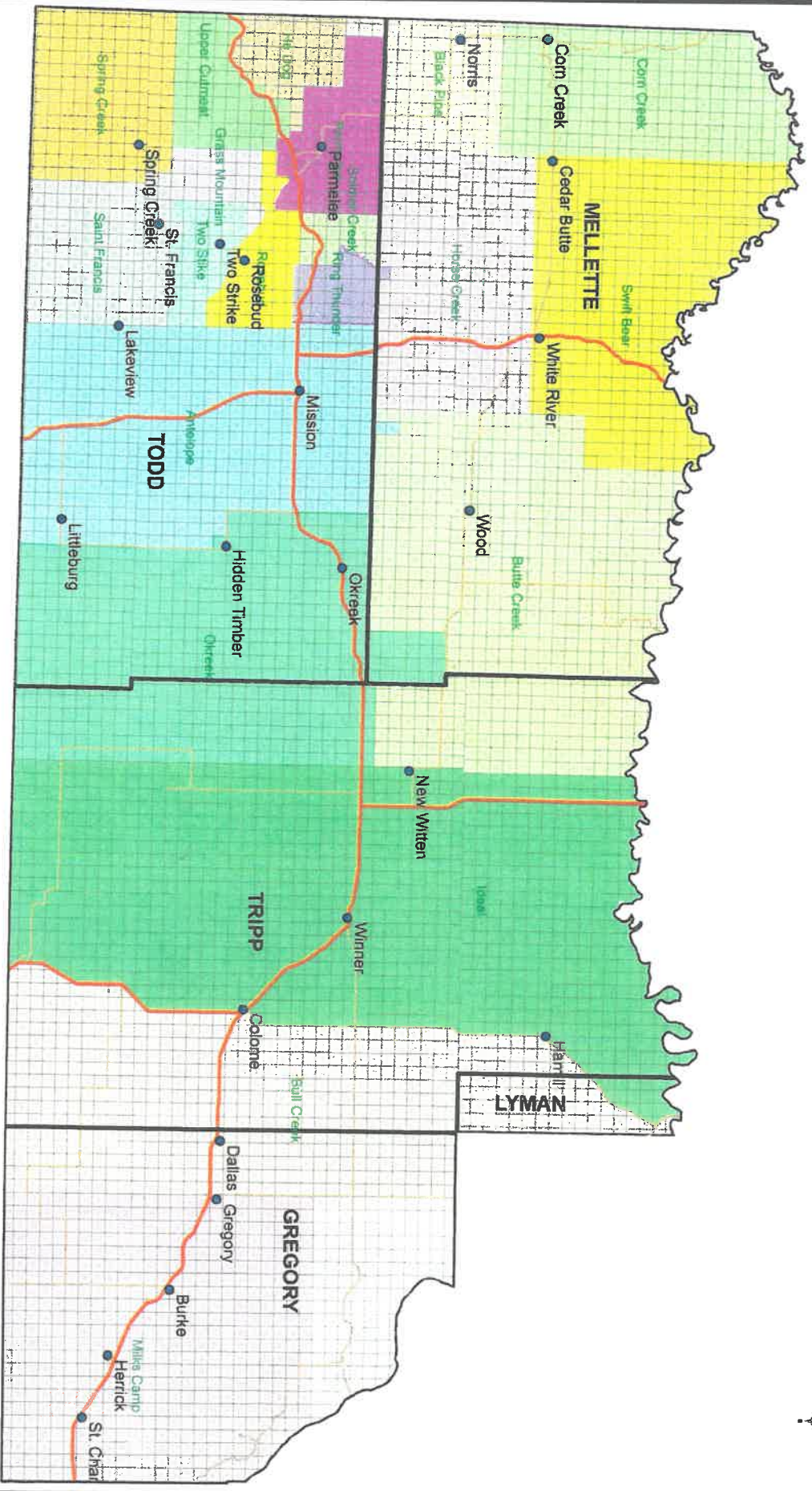
RATIFICATION

These bylaws were ratified and certified at a duly and legally conducted meeting of the Ideal Lakota Community with a quorum on this date: Dec. 5, 1989. The vote was:

Voting Yes 16

Voting No 0

Not Voting 0



Five County Reservation Area with Community Boundaries

Map Created By The Sicangu Oyate Land Office