



Prairie Island Indian Community Tribal Council
President – Grant Johnson



President Grant Johnson is serving his first term on Tribal Council for the Prairie Island Indian Community.

While new to Tribal Council for the 2023-2025 term, President Johnson has over 20 years of service to his Community in various positions. For the past five years, Johnson served as the Tribal Administrator managing government operations for the Tribe. In that role, he managed the Tribe's employees and operating budget, and led or assisted in various significant efforts for the Tribe, including navigating government through the COVID-19 pandemic, a major strategic planning initiative, the net zero project, and economic diversification planning. Before taking on the Tribal Administrator role, President Johnson spent nine years on the Tribe's Gaming Commission overseeing compliance and surveillance.

President Johnson believes strongly in the importance of Members being involved in their government and giving back to their community, and that's why he ran for Tribal Council.

As a Council member, President Johnson's priorities include protection of the Tribe and its members, economic development and diversification, furthering education and employment opportunities for Tribal members, and supporting the preservation and revitalization of Dakota culture and language.

President Johnson has lived most of his life on, around, or working for Tinta Wita (Prairie Island), and he graduated from Red Wing High School. He currently lives in Cottage Grove with his wife and three children. Johnson enjoys traveling, spending time with family and friends, coaching, and watching his kid's sporting events. He likes to hunt, fish, and stay active by playing hockey, and has played in All-Native softball tournaments around the country.