

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, January 6th, 2026**

At 8:30 am Chairman Heidinger called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Commissioners present: Bruce Klein, Robert Flath, Wayne Wald, and Jason Weigel. Also present in person were: Jan Hamlin, Auditor; Brandy Anderson, States Attorney – Para legal; Darrick Nitschke, Highway Superintendent; and Art Hagebock, LaMoure County Chronicle.

Chairman Heidinger began with board reorganization. A nomination was made by Comm Flath to nominate Comm Klein for Chairman, no further nominations were offered. Comm Weigel made a motion that nominations cease and cast an unanimous ballot for Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Heidinger offered a nomination of Comm Flath as Vice Chair, no further nominations were offered. A motion was made by Comm Weigel to cast an unanimous ballot for Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Heidinger will be PIO.

Chairman Klein called for additions to the agenda. Auditor Hamlin added 5-County meeting to the agenda. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

The December 16th and December 30th special minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve both December 16th and 30th minutes presented, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Klein called for public comment; no public comments were made.

Road Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, was approached about tree planting closer than the recommended 200 feet. With much discussion the commission came to the conclusion that the trees need to be at least 16 feet from the right of way. Nitschke gave the board an update on job open status, part of the holdup he feels is the CDL requirement. The county will be working with HR in adopting a policy on acquiring a CDL and repayment. Nitschke started discussed with the board on rock crushing and the cost of it for the 24 miles that will be needed for chip sealing with hot in place.

Engineer Conference in Grand Forks is January 26th.

Larson Grain has asked that the two trailers with clothing and props that had belonged to the LaMoure County Summer Musical Theater be removed from their property. The Highway Department will take care of it.

Public Health has reported the 2018 Ford Explorer the county provides is in need of some repairs. The board is going to do some discussing on what the county has available and revisit next meeting.

Comm Flath made a motion to approve the mileage reimbursement rate to 0.725 retroactive back to January 1, 2026, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to change the Custodian and Tax Director credit card names from Roger Loegering to Larry Hanson and Denice Porter to Angela Mahin, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to stay with South Central Dakota Regional Council, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tax Director, Denice Porter, introduced new Tax Director Angela Mahin to the board. Comm Flath made a motion to sign the Vanguard CAMA contract renewal for 5 years, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

Treasurer, Cindy Worrel, presented the board with 3 abatements: homestead filed late, city exemption on a new build and lastly an adjustment for a railroad owner but it's leased. Comm Flath made a motion to approve the abatements as presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Weigel presented to the board a discussion on the possibilities of starting a JDA.

The board welcomed Larry Hanson to the courthouse as the new Custodian.

Jamestown Regional Entrepreneur Center asked for a letter of support, no action taken at this time.

The board discussed potential availability for a 5-county meeting.

Break 10:09 A.M. to 10:21 A.M.

The county bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to pay bills as presented, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

County Bills – January 6, 2026

Vendor	Amount
Allied Energy	\$4,124.01
Bobcat of Gwinner	\$800.27
Builders Mart	\$35,445.60

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Butler Machinery Company	\$7,164.44
CHS Dakota Plains AG	\$2,358.93
City of LaMoure	\$215.00
Duffy/Jessica	\$340.40
Frontier Builders Supply	\$265.00
Galls, LLC	\$86.99
Hi-Way Servicenter, Inc	\$623.40
Ketterling/Jackie	\$201.60
Kulm Hardware & Home Center	\$198.43
LaMoure County Chronicle	\$180.00
LaMoure County Museum	\$5,000.00
LaMoure Co Soil Conservation Dist	\$108.00
LaMoure County Treasurer	\$736.52
LaMoure Drug Store	\$29.40
LaMoure Foods, Inc.	\$135.89
LaMoure Hardware	\$883.90
LEAF	\$120.40
National Association of Counties	\$450.00
ND Association of Counties	\$25,795.69
ND Association of County Engineers	\$485.00
ND County Commissioners Association	\$1,725.00
ND Recordors Association	\$500.00
ND 911 Association	\$100.00
Oakes Truck & Trailer, LLC	\$1,040.62
Office of the State Auditor	\$17,806.50
Pomp's Tire Service, Inc.	\$3,382.02

Vendor	Amount
Quill Corporation	\$69.99
South Central Dakota Regional Council	\$9,764.00
Southeast ND Co Commissioners Assoc	\$400.00
Stutsman Rural Water District	\$50.85
Tobacco Free ND	\$1,000.00
Van Eeden/Clara	\$98.00
Verizon Connect NWF Inc	\$239.25
Verizon Wireless	\$296.50
Workforce Safety & Insurance	\$250.00

Chairman Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:41 A.M.

APPROVED THIS 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2026

BRUCE KLEIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor