

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONER MEETING-
July 20, 2021**

The Board of LaMoure County Commissioners met Tuesday, July 20, 2021, with Vice-Chairman Bruce Klein, Commissioners Bob Flath, Keith Heidinger, and Jason Weigel, Highway Superintendent Josh Loegering, State's Attorney James Shockman, and Auditor Jan Hamlin at the courthouse. Attending by teleconference were Chairman Lee Miller, DES/911 Coordinator Kimberly Robbins, Art Hagebock from the LaMoure Chronicle, and Patty Wood Bartle from the Edgeley Mail. Vice-Chairman Klein called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. with the pledge to the flag.

Vice-Chairman Klein asked for additions to the agenda. The addition was an application for an off-site beer and liquor license from the Third Base Bar of Fredonia for a wedding dance to be held at the Lowell Berntson farm. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Weigel made a motion to approve the July 6th minutes, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Josh Loegering, gave his report. Josh said that the crew will be chip sealing CR 62 from the county line to Berlin July 26 and 27. They will then go to the City of LaMoure July 28 and 29. Josh will be meeting with TrueNorth Steel tomorrow to discuss the CR 34 bridge. Josh will not be at the next meeting.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, went over the severe summer storms June 7-11th. LaMoure County met the damage threshold according to the state guidelines. The State of North Dakota is verifying the statewide damage threshold which is over a million dollars. The state is working with FEMA on the documentation. In order to make that threshold, the state may extend the date range throughout that week. We should find out by the middle of August if there will be a federal declaration. The LaMoure County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) will be holding their quarterly meeting August 5th. They will review the Tier II reports. Other items to be discussed will be incidents on waste oil spill, review training and exercise plan, and go over different options that deal with first responders and responding to hazardous chemicals.

Vice-Chairman Klein said that the deadline for the Garrison Diversion Recreation Grant is September 1. He also wanted everyone aware that Garrison Division has a new Water Supply Assistant Grant Program. There was money left so they extended the deadline for applications to August 1st.

Julianne Racine, NDSU Extension Agent, went over her second quarter review. Everyone was happy that planting was done early and then drought followed along with bad weather. Julianne worked with NRSC and FSA assessing crop damage and filing reports with USDA. Julianne has been looking at tree damage. There was a Progressive Ag Safety Day held in Kulm. Julianne was involved in the chemical safety and grain bin entrapment. The prop she built demonstrates how fast grain entrapment occurs. LaMoure County's 4-H Achievement Days had a small animal showmanship workshop and it was held in the barn this year. New this year was Explore 4-H, which provides the opportunity to host a cow-calf pair and a couple of goats. Youth always enjoy live animals they can touch.

Caroline Homan, NDSU Extension Agent 4-H & Youth Development, reported they had 323 exhibit entries this year for the 4-H Achievement Days. State Specialists Lindsey Leker, Sue Quamme and Caroline facilitated Getting Happy Hour for the East, West, and Central District Support Staff. The program seeks to encourage daily habits for healthy living including gratitude, mindfulness, nutrition, and fitness. Farmer yoga was a hit! Caroline also talked about the #Smelly Socks and Living On My Own. #SmellySocks lesson is a fun way to help students learn how to read care labels and successfully launder their clothes. Living on My Own help's students create a spending plan and make the most of their money. The Progressive Ag Safety Day is a program that provides hands on fun while teaching youth how accidents can be prevented by taking simple safety precautions.

Tax Director, Denice Porter, joined the meeting for tax equalization. Denice stated that due to the residential reappraisal the residential valuations came in high at 126 percent. The state suggests we leave it. The commercial valuation is at 95 percent and the ag valuation is at 92 percent. Denice recommends leaving the values alone and see where our sales are at next year. Comm Miller made a motion to accept the numbers presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. Roll call vote: Comm Heidinger-yes; Comm Weigel-yes; Comm Flath-no; Comm Klein-yes; Comm Miller-yes. Motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve an off-site permit for Horseshoe Saloon August 19 through August 22nd at 11358 57th St SE, Kathryn, for the Lamb Jam, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Jeff Lutt from Third Base Bar in Fredonia would like a prorated off-site liquor and beer license for Dan Malone's wedding dance August 28 at the Lowell Berntson farm in LaMoure County. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the off-site liquor and beer license for Third Base Bar for \$500.00, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Flath said that Twin Lakes is currently high. It has three feet of storage and is going down extremely slow. In one season, it gained five and a half feet from two events. The state will not consider it an emergency when it has three and a half feet storage. This is something we need to keep watching and keep an eye on.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AGRI VALLEY INSURANCE	86.00
ALLIED ENERGY	5,319.84
ALLSTATE PETERBILT	66.40
AT&T MOBILITY	61.64
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	212.59
C & S MOTORSPORTS	181.90
CENEX FLEETCARD	1,571.99
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	504.00
CITY VIEW FUEL	125.94
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER EMS OF LAMOURE	25.00
CORNER HOME MEDICAL	555.00
D & B PORTABLES LLC	235.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	222.96
DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	875.00
DAKOTA RENTAL	59.99
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	91.27
DICKEY COUNTY 4-H	184.94
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	180.70
DIRECT ELECTRIC INC	94.04
FARGO APPAREL	113.00
FLATH/ROBERT	440.32
FLECK/JEFF	122.50
GENERAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	327.49
HAMLIN/JANICE	41.44
HEARTLAND STATE BANK / VISA	1,415.83
HEIDINGER/KEITH	583.68
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	1,286.85
JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS	13,821.80
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	278.96
KLEIN/BRUCE	315.12
LAMOURE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT	152.53
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	9.52
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	14.38
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	108.70
LARSON GRAIN CO	44.80
LITCHVILLE BULLETIN	82.50
MAC'S HARDWARE	201.30
MAIN STREET FARM & HOME	90.97
MIDSTATES EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY	31,604.92
MILLER/LEE	530.93
MINN-KOTA COMMUNICATIONS INC	11,828.80
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	34.55
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	120.00
NORTH DAKOTA ONE CALL	4.80
NORTHWEST TIRE INC	1,753.98
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	4,458.40
PACWEST TOOL AND SAFETY	640.80
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	47.52
RACINE/JULIANNE	539.28
RDO EQUIPMENT CO	3,650.85

RECORD KEEPERS LLC	7.20
STUTSMAN CO CORRECTION CENTER	1,800.00
SWANSTON EQUIPMENT CORPORATION	3,500.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	143.41
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	210.47
VERIZON WIRELESS	438.47
WALKER/DELIA	97.50
WASTE MANAGEMENT	1,157.27
WEIGEL/JASON	512.79
WEX HEALTH, INC.	83.00

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Klein adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 3rd DAY OF AUGUST, 2021

LEE MILLER, Chairman

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor