

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONER
MEETING-February 20, 2018**

At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Bruce Klein called the meeting to order and opened with the pledge to the flag. Commissioners Bob Flath, Keith Heidinger, and Lee Miller were also present. Also attending were Janice Hamlin, Auditor; Lauren Worrel, County Road Superintendent; Tim Geinert, Assistant County Road Superintendent; Tonya Duffy, State's Attorney; Patty Wood-Bartle, Edgeley Mail; and Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle. Absent was Victor Weigel.

Chairman Klein asked for additions to the agenda. There were no additions. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to approve the agenda, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve the minutes for the February 6th meeting with break time changed to ten minutes, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

Chairman Klein went over a few items of correspondence. The first was the James River Flood Emergency Action planning workshop meeting. It will be held on Thursday February 22 at 10:00 a.m. at the LaMoure Civic Center. Chairman Klein and Commissioners Flath will be attending. The next item was the Court Facilities Improvement Grant Application. LaMoure County was denied the grant due to lack of available funds. The committee will be accepting new grant applications in September 2018. The county can re-submit at that time.

County Road Superintendent Lauren Worrel reported that the road crew has been doing equipment repairs and maintenance in the shop. They have finished building one shoulder rake and will start on the next one this week. They installed a bathroom in the Benson Shop and plan on putting a septic tank in this spring. Mr. Worrel will be meeting with Matt Lange and Shawn Mayfield with KLJ to go over this year's projects on Friday, February 23, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. The plows went out today and are doing minimal snow removal in confined areas. The state sent out a letter about getting permission to extend the inspection cycle from 24 months to 48 months for reinforced concrete box culverts on the state and local system. Mr. Worrel does not see a problem with that since they are built so well. All the box culverts in the county right now will meet the requirements of the state system. If something happens to them, we could get state help. A motion was made by Comm Flath to accept the state's request to change the box culvert inspections from 24 months to 48 month, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried. The bridges will stay in the two year inspection cycle. Mr. Worrel told the board the truck that he purchased came in \$3,000.00 less than expected.

DES/911 Coordinator Kimberly Robbins talked about the Flood Emergency Action Plan Workshop. The City of LaMoure was chosen by the US Army Corps of Engineers for the workshop. It will be held at the LaMoure Civic Center on February 22, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. The Corps of Engineers, National Weather Service, North Dakota Department of Emergency Services, and Bureau of Reclamation will be attending. They will review the reservoir management, water control procedures and forecasting, as well as mitigation, and action plans.

The LaMoure County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) will be meeting February 27th in Edgeley. They will be reviewing the TIER II reports that have been submitted to date. They will review the training exercise schedule and carbon monoxide detectors. The carbon monoxide detectors are at the end of their life and the LEPC will decide if they should purchase new ones. The Annual LaMoure County Fire Chief meeting will be immediately after the LEPC meeting.

Sheriff Fernandes gave an update on the Barnes County Jail. Barnes County received a letter from the state in which they were given 90 days to develop a plan to replace the jail. The Barnes County Commissioners will discuss at their meeting today if they should proceed alone or engage other contract counties. The question today is whether LaMoure County wants to be involved in the Barnes County Jail. Currently six counties have contracts with the Barnes County Jail to house prisoners. LaMoure County currently has contracts with Stutsman and Barnes County Jails. At this time, Barnes County is unable to contract with other counties for jail beds. Comm Heidinger discussed the possibility of contracting with Brown County in South Dakota. Chairman Klein stated that it was discussed many years ago and at that time it was a possibility pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding. State's Attorney Duffy said that

Barnes County will have a general plan in a couple of months. Duffy said that they are visiting new jails in the state and then will make a decision. They hope to begin construction in 2019. There is no state funding available. Fernandes stated he would like to see the new facility include a juvenile attendant care room otherwise juveniles are taken to Cass County for attendant care. Fernandes wants LaMoure County involved to ensure available space for prisoners.

Culvert bids opened at 9:17 a.m. Jeff Walters with TrueNorth Steel was present. TrueNorth Steel, Contech Engineered Solutions, and Forterra Concrete Products, Inc. were the companies that submitted bids. A motion was made by Comm Flath to accept all the bids presented, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

Oil bids opened at 9:28 a.m. Husky Energy submitted a bid of \$562.00 per ton delivered to LaMoure County. Flinthills submitted a bid of \$551.80 per ton delivered to LaMoure County. A motion was made by Comm Flath to accept the Flinthill bid, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

Break: 9.35 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Tax Director Denice Porter informed the board that the Vanguard Assessor Website will expire at the end of March. The estimated cost for a one year renewal is \$2,750.00. Porter let the board know that the information was available in her office. All commissioners agreed that the county does not need the website.

The commissioners were made aware that more payment of taxes under protest have been filed with the county. They were from Steve Lippert (LaMoure Lanes) and Blane Nitschke. Auditor Hamlin will send a letter to the parties letting them know the date and time when the commissioners will discuss and make a decision.

The bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to pay the bills presented, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

| <u>Vendor Name</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| BOOM/KARIN | 500.00 |
| BUILDERS MART | 33.75 |
| BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY | 18,028.57 |
| CENEX FLEETCARD | 1,140.58 |
| CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC | 1,108.70 |
| COMPUTER EXPRESS | 1,492.00 |
| DAKOTA COUNTRY TRUCKS L. L. C. | 84,500.00 |
| DAKOTA DYNAMICS | 2,000.00 |
| DAKOTA PERFORMANCE & ACCESSORIES | 150.00 |
| DAKOTA PLAINS AG | 1,351.82 |
| DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC | 123.14 |
| DIRECT ELECTRIC INC | 471.07 |
| DISCOVERY BENEFITS | 83.00 |
| DUFFY/TONYA | 87.50 |
| EDGELEY MAIL | 338.26 |
| FLEETPRIDE | 71.88 |
| GOOD/LAURIE | 500.00 |
| FLATH/ROBERT | 225.00 |
| HEIDINGER/KEITH | 318.74 |
| JIMMIE JOE'S REPAIR LLC | 43.84 |
| JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA | 31.78 |
| KLEIN/BRUCE | 584.62 |
| KLEVER/DARCY | 99.99 |
| KLEVER/JAKE | 174.00 |
| LAMOURE CHRONICLE | 40.20 |
| MILLER/LEE | 288.22 |
| MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES | 50.25 |
| MOTION INDUSTRIES | 851.37 |
| ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES | 481.95 |
| OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - 1250 | 260.00 |
| OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY | 4,405.05 |
| PHARMCHEM INC | 57.10 |
| PITNEY BOWES | 351.00 |

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| PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC | 303.46 |
| QUALITY INN | 167.40 |
| QUICK LANE TIRE & AUTO CENTER | 1,472.05 |
| QUILL CORPORATION | 141.28 |
| RDO EQUIPMENT CO. | 131.39 |
| RDO TRUCK CENTERS | 577.39 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | 523.79 |
| VISA | 4,484.98 |
| WEIGEL/VICTOR | 96.80 |

A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Comm Flath. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF MARCH, 2018

BRUCE KLEIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

JANICE HAMLIN, County Auditor