

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
July 7, 2015**

At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Keith Heidinger called the meeting to order and opened with the pledge to the flag. Commissioners Victor Weigel, Bruce Klein and Bob Flath were also present. Attending the meeting were Lauren Worrel, County Highway Department; Tonya Duffy, State's Attorney; Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle; Patty Wood Bartle, The Edgeley Mail; Jan Hamlin, Deputy Auditor; Jan Meidinger, Tax Director; and Verleen Shear.

Chmn Heidinger asked for additions to the agenda. The 5-county meeting and Backway were added to the agenda. Motion to accept the additions to the agenda by Comm Weigel, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Motion to pay Social Services' bills of \$5,863.05 by Comm Weigel, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June minutes by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Lauren Worrel reported that road crews are on their fourth round of blading the township and county roads and are also placing gravel on Co Rd 34 W of 281. Worrel stated that they will be hauling chips to Edgeley and start asphalt patching this week.

Worrel presented an approach permit submitted by Karl Ketterling to move the approach 230 feet to the south on Co Rd 61 for better access to the field. No pipe would be involved, and Karl would be doing the work. Motion to approve approach permit by Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

Worrel asked the Commissioners to revise the boring permit for Barnes rural water to eliminate crossing at Calvin Steffes' and cross at Eric Larson's instead which is 1-1/2 miles south. Motion to approve revision to boring permit for Barnes rural water by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Worrel requested approval to pay Knife River \$234,625.41 before the reimbursement arrives from the State for job CNOB-2325(056). Motion to pay Knife River before reimbursement from State by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Worrel asked about the KLJ contract to manage the Co Rd 61 overlay and the contract for a 2 year service agreement with KLJ. State's Attorney Tonya Duffy stated they both looked good, and Chmn Heidinger signed them.

County Agent Julianne Racine presented her quarterly report to the Commissioners. Racine listed weed identification, horticulture consultation, a radio interview, agent responsibilities, shooting sports, 3-D printing, and much more as things covered in the 2nd quarter. Racine stated that her office will be helping Dickey County on July 9th, at the State Fair in Minot July 21-24, and at 4-H camp on July 28-29 in Grand Rapids.

There was a long discussion regarding how those who provide security at special events should be paid. Sheriff Fernandes wants the special event to pay the County, and the County then issue checks to the individuals who provided security for that event. Sheriff Fernandes wants it done this way; so that these individuals would be covered under Workers' Comp should they be injured while working at the special event.

Auditor White and Deputy Auditor Jan Hamlin pointed out that if these individuals are made employees of the County, taxes and such would then be taken out the money first. Hamlin stated that there seemed to be no advantage to having all of this run through the County. White also reported that the State auditors told her it would only be making the County more liable.

State's Attorney Tonya Duffy recommended that the County pay these individuals as independent contractors to avoid the County being liable for Workers' Comp. The Commissioners agreed that this would be re-evaluated during budget discussions, and that Sheriff Fernandes should pursue other security options. Motion to pay individuals providing security at special events as independent contractors using Auditor's warrants by Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried by roll call vote of unanimous yes.

Auditor White presented an amendment to the NDDOT contract #12141699 regarding the purchase of radar equipment to the Commissioners. This amendment increases the contract by \$1,500 due to the fact that funding is now available. Motion to approve amendment to NDDOT contract #12141699 by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

White asked the Commissioners whether or not she should collect the keys from the truck regulatory person who is now a civilian employee in Barnes County. The Commissioners told her to wait until after the truck regulatory meeting on July 22.

White informed the Commissioners that conference calling is available for use by any office in the courthouse for a flat fee of 99 cents per month. White explained how it would work, and she would like to get it set up. The Commissioners agreed to that.

Motion to reassign the issuing of marriage licenses to the County Treasurer's office by Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

The Sick Leave Policy was discussed regarding the amount of days allowed to accumulate which are 60 days as well as the conversion of trade being 1 day of vacation for 6 days of sick leave listed in the last paragraph on page 29 of the Employee Manual. State's Attorney Tonya Duffy asked if there was a policy in place for donating sick leave to other employees. The Commissioners informed her that there was nothing in place for that and asked Auditor White to check into it. Motion to remove the last paragraph on page 29 of the Employee Manual by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Comm Klein informed the board that Sonya Albertson had requested new maps to be used for the Scenic Backway. KLJ are donating new maps and could laminate them at a cost of around \$50 with the maximum the County would have to pay being \$200. Motion to pay for the new maps by Comm Weigel, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

The 5-county meeting has been scheduled for July 9th from 2-4pm, and everything has been set up with the Memorial Park Country Club. Golfing and a tour of the museum will be available to all attending. Comm Klein, Comm Miller, Comm Flath, and Auditor White will be attending.

Courthouse space was discussed. Jan Meidinger, Tax Director, told the Commissioners that he has no problem with Kimberly Robbins staying in the same office with him at this time. Building spaces within the community were discussed, and the Commissioners asked Comm Flath to pursue some of these options through LaMoure Development which is meeting on July 31st.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ALBERTSON/SONYA	50.18
AMERICINN	360.00
AT&T MOBILITY	91.26
AVID HAWK LLC	860.00
BARNES COUNTY AMBULANCE	515.85
BROWN & SAENGER	64.85

BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	597.37
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	86.70
CITY OF KULM	5,000.00
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER EMS OF LAMOURE	7,875.86
COMPUTER EXPRESS	3,738.39
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	1,243.57
DACOTAH PAPER CO	228.62
DAKOTA PLAINS COOPERATIVE	2,756.25
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1,411.29
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	243.00
DIRECT ELECTRIC INC	1,328.48
DUFFY LAW OFFICE	1,786.16
DUFFY/TONYA	245.45
EDGELEY AMBULANCE	5,166.70
EDGELEY CITY AIRPORT TREASURER	3,217.16
EDGELEY MAIL	368.75
EVERT/RALPH	57.50
FASTENAL COMPANY	20.96
FIRST STATE BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA	122.62
FLECK/JEFF	45.50
GACKLE AMBULANCE SERVICE	1,033.34
GOOD/LAURIE	193.60
HAMLIN/JANICE	28.00
HARMSSEN'S GREENHOUSE	1,044.00
HENRY/ROBERT	332.50
HIWAY SERVICENTER	146.00
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	316.44
JAMESTOWN REGIONAL MED CENTER	55.00
JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA	3,909.61
KADRMAS LEE & JACKSON INC	63,471.18
KAMLETZ/JAY	140.00
KNIFE RIVER	234,625.41
KULM AIRPORT	3,217.15
KULM AMBULANCE CORPS	2,066.68
LAMOURE CHRONICLE	1,245.96
LAMOURE CITY	8,299.66
LAMOURE COUNTY SHERIFF	5,000.00
LAMOURE COUNTY TREASURER	2,247.89
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	53.82
LAMOURE FOODS INC	28.85
LAMOURE HARDWARE	1,037.53
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	401.25
LEXIS-NEXIS	144.00
LUX/JASON	157.50
MARCO INC	114.54
MAROLT/MICHAEL	175.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	218.37
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH	726.18
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	38.29
MYHRE LAW OFFICE	18.75
ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	118.74
ND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	23.54
ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	21.50
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	120.00
NDACO RESOURCES GROUP	1,000.00
NDSU EXTENSION PESTICIDE PROGRAM	590.00
NELSON AUTO CENTER	28,098.00
NORTH DAKOTA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT	3,176.28
NORTH DAKOTA PEACE OFFICER'S ASSOC	120.00
OPDAHL/DAVID	1,400.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	289.46
R&S COLLISION CENTER INC	325.00
RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	41.80

RODIN'S CORNER	53.49
RYAN TOWNSHIP	40.00
SLYKERMAN/LUANNE	44.85
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	46.94
VERIZON WIRELESS	90.79
WASTE MANAGEMENT	71.22
WATSON/JAMES	140.00
WEST END HIDE, FUR & METAL CO INC	132.36
WEX BANK	1,019.28
WHITE/MARLENE	210.85
WM LAMPTRACKER INC	129.95

Bills were reviewed. Motion to pay the bills by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:42am.

APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF August, 2015

KEITH HEIDINGER, Chairman

ATTEST:

MARLENE WHITE, County Auditor