

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONER
MEETING- August 4, 2020**

The Board of LaMoure County Commissioners met Tuesday, August 4, 2020 with Chairman Keith Heidinger, Commissioners Bruce Klein, Lee Miller, Bob Flath, and Marvin Schulz, Auditor Jan Hamlin, Highway Superintendent Josh Loegering, and State's Attorney James Shockman at the courthouse. Attending by teleconference were acting Secretary Shanel Bohnenstingl, DES/911 Coordinator Kimberly Robbins, Patty Wood Bartle from the Edgeley Mail and Art Hagebock from the LaMoure Chronicle. Chairman Heidinger called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. with the pledge to the flag.

There was one addition to the agenda, discussion to increase ambulance mills to maximum of 5 mills. Comm Klein made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

Chairman Heidinger asked if there were additions or corrections from the July 21st commissioner meeting minutes and July 21st and July 30th budget meeting minutes. There were none. Comm Schulz made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Josh Loegering gave his report. There is a LaMoure route blade operator position open. It will be open until filled. There have been four applicants.

Shoulder pulls started this week in Black Loam and Greenville Townships, and some around Edgeley will be next.

The county has been asked to build the Twin Lakes drain as part of the emergency drain for Pearl Lake township. Loegering stated he does not yet know what elevation is desired, but before they begin they will have the area surveyed. The culvert will be installed and a canal gate to control flow at the lake.

The asphalt patching on CR 35 has been completed. Loegering feels that paving over the Berlin box culvert would be smoother than blading so he got a quote from Strata for \$45,000. When the project begins the road will be closed for two days, depending on weather. The CR 62 paving project had their pre-construction meeting last week. They will do all 11 culvert patches during the week of August 24 with the mainline paving beginning August 31. The Jud bridge project began yesterday. Loegering stated they are on track for setting the deck next week. There is a signed detour going around the west side of Jud.

DES/911 Coordinator Kimberly Robbins gave her report via teleconference. Robbins gave the FEMA process updates. There are four disaster declarations. Spring 2020 flooding has been given number DR4553. It has been requested that for DR4444 (Spring 2019) and DR4475 (Fall 2019) LaMoure County submit funds back to the township if complete and have submitted township mitigation efforts on their roads, or hold township funds if not 85% complete per site. Robbins presented two options for the commissioners: 1.) hold funds in FEMA account until after audit (2-4 years) or 2.) submit funds to townships as mitigation. Robbins recommends the second option. After some discussion Comm Klein made a motion to proceed with option 2, seconded by Comm Schulz. Motion carried.

There is Category Z funding which is administrative funding for townships. Township officers have asked Robbins if they could get funding for mileage. In the past, LaMoure County has claimed these funds. It was decided to discuss and decide this at a later date.

LaMoure County needs to assign an applicant agent and assistant agent for DR4553 (spring 2020). For the DR4444 and DR4475, Robbins and Loegering are the agents. Comm Miller made a motion to appoint Kimberly Robbins as applicant agent and Josh Loegering as assistant agent for DR4553, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

DR4509 (Covid-19 pandemic) update: as of August 3, there has been 14 cases with 14 recovered. There were 891 unique individuals and 1,736 total tests completed.

Robbins requested a motion that LaMoure County sign the IPAWS MOA, which provides public safety officials with an effective way to alert and warn the public about serious emergencies using the Emergency Alert System (EAS). State's Attorney, James Shockman, reviewed the literature and has no concerns. Comm Klein made a motion to sign the IPAWS MOA contract, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

Preliminary budget for 2021 has been discussed during several budget meetings. Comm Schulz made a motion to approve the Preliminary 2021 budget, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

The ambulance currently receives 3.29 mills county-wide. State’s Attorney, James Shockman, was approached by ambulance members that would like to increase the mill amount to 5 mills county-wide. Mr. Shockman explained two ways they could go about it; 1.) the County Commissioners could make a resolution or 2.) they could do it by petition to get it on the ballot for November. The petition would require 10% of the citizens in the county that voted in the last Governor’s election for number of signatures. Comm Schulz stated the ambulances are hurting and would like to get it on the ballot. Comm Flath explained that the ambulance is under 5 mills so the ambulance doesn’t receive any state funding because they aren’t receiving 5 mills. The deadline for getting this on the ballot is August 31.

Break 9:20 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

The commissioners reviewed the bills. Comm Miller moved to approve the bills presented, seconded by Comm Schulz. Motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ALBERTSON/SONYA	96.51
ALL FLAGS, LLC	317.17
ALLIED ENERGY	74.60
BANKNORTH	580.00
BISHOP/JANICE	5,590.00
BORDER STATES PAVING INC	8,383.32
BUILDERS MART	34.87
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	83.70
CITY OF KULM	74.81
COMPUTER EXPRESS	2,226.95
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	44.74
DATASPEC INC	449.00
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1,646.33
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	231.00
DUFFY/JESSICA	300.73
GRAINGER	32.68
HAMLIN/JANICE	215.50
HEARTLAND STATE BANK	128.89
HENRY SCHEIN	50.08
HI-WAY SERVICENTER,INC	507.97
JONES/TORIE	135.71
JZP CONSTRUCTION LLC	172.35
K.P. SHOCKMAN TREE MOVING	610.00
KADRMAS LEE & JACKSON INC	5,385.06
KETTERLING/JACKIE	136.43
KLEVER/DARCY	21.85
KULM HARDWARE & HOME CENTER	29.97
L & S WORREL TRUCKING, INC.	4,305.00
LAMOURE CHRONICLE	1,649.82
LAMOURE CITY	110.31
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	13.44
LAMOURE HARDWARE	2,088.04
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	1,267.31
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	162.50
LEAF	121.00
LONG/SUSAN R.	75.00
MARION FIRE DEPT	200.00
MEDICARE PART B	304.19
MIDSTATES EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY	30,299.85
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	11,891.04
NDACO	1,351.36
OAKES TRUCK & TRAILER CENTER	4,008.09
OST BODY & PAINT	1,053.25
QUILL CORPORATION	23.16
RDO EQUIPMENT CO	56.78
RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	52.73
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	23.00
SCHMIDT/CHRISTINE	100.00
SEEFELDT/CURWOOD	44.00
SERVICE MASTER	224.60

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO/THE	39.67
SOLINGER'S LUMBER INC	1,390.18
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	48.80
TRUENORTH STEEL	8,460.00
VAN EEDEN/CLARA	188.90
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	389.77
VERIZON WIRELESS	184.90
WEX BANK	584.85
WORREL/CINDY	174.80

Comm Klein wanted to recognize the Memorial Park Centennial Planning committee for all their hard work, especially considering all the new requirements and guidelines enforced by the pandemic. The celebration was wonderful.

County Auditor, Jan Hamlin, wanted to remind everyone that the drop box on the east side of the building is being checked daily so items can be dropped off there if they do not want to enter the courthouse.

There being no further business, Chairman Heidinger adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 18th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020

KEITH HEIDINGER, Chairman

ATTEST:

JANICE HAMLIN, County Auditor