

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONER
MEETING-May 21, 2019**

Chairman Bob Flath called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the Pledge to the Flag. In attendance were Commissioners Keith Heidinger, Victor Weigel, Lee Miller, and Bruce Klein. Also attending were Auditor Jan Hamlin, Acting Secretary Deb Kindelspire, State's Attorney James Shockman, Highway Superintendent Josh Loegering, Patty Bartle from The Edgeley Mail, and Art Hagebock from the LaMoure Chronicle.

Additions to the agenda included internet speed, Twin Lakes, policy additions, the summer theater, and the Seefeldt agreement. Comm Klein made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 7th meeting, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Josh Loegering reported that his department is working on the first and second rounds of blading. There are 17 townships trying the windrow elimination strategy. The department is working on the 15 emergency sites, of which eight have been completed. Only one site is still closed. So far the cost for replacing culverts is approximately \$32,000. The preliminary survey for the paving project on CR 62 is complete as well as the inventory of culvert replacements. Loegering has surveyed the 4-H building lot in LaMoure. The best option is to drain south in the state right-of-way. It will be necessary to call in for utility locates and then work with the city to determine a drainage plan.

The commissioners discussed leaving the 7-ton load restrictions on for CR's 34 and 35. It was decided to leave restrictions on until the next meeting. The crew is making sand in the county pit for sand sealing on CR 35. One of the pit owners has requested a material royalty increase of 10 cents. Current royalty is \$1.00. It was decided the ten-cent increase was fair and all owners should be paid the increase.

NDTLAP would like to conduct a County Road Day/Open House to showcase the LaMoure County Highway Department for their good work. It has been scheduled for late August. NDLTAP showcase one county per year. They will do all the advertising, run the event, and provide the food.

There was one utility permit for DRN on 78th St SE. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

Loegering has received quotes from RDO and Butler for a new excavator through Sourcewell. Butler's bid on a 2019 CAT 313F L was the lower bid at \$125,000 with a better warranty. He is waiting for an update on the Dickey blade which is being repaired by Butler. They provided a loaner machine until it is fixed. The new snow plows won't be in Fargo until August 1st.

Knife River was awarded the NDDOT project on US 281 and they are hauling out of a pit in Stutsman County so LaMoure County roads will not be impacted. The crack sealing of 30 blocks in the City of LaMoure is finished and the street in Edgeley is being done today. The courthouse parking lot will be crack sealed and fog sealed this summer. When asked about the charge for crack sealing, Loegering stated that he charges \$1 per pound for sealing and \$2 per pound for leveling. The crew is currently designing the CR 62 overlay project. They are crack leveling, milling out, and filling holes on CR's 34 and 35.

DES/911 Coordinator Kimberly Robbins came in to explain the Amber Alert Test being conducted on May 23 at 2pm. It does not include cell phones. She talked about the need for COOP observers in LaMoure and Edgeley in order to have more accurate data for snow/rain. LaMoure City received more than 102 inches of snow this past winter, but that is not official since there is not a COOP observer. She talked about the water level at Twin Lakes which is being monitored by the state. She also stated that each township would be receiving \$5000 in non-oil producing funding to assist with snow removal costs.

Ashley Kottsick from Social Services spoke on the Redesign Senate Bill 2124. It has been passed and signed by the governor. LaMoure County is planning to participate in the zoning plan with five other counties. She will attend a planning meeting of the counties in Linton on May 23, and would like the auditor and at least one commissioner to attend as well. There is also a state meeting in Bismarck on June 11 to discuss zoning.

Break 9:44 a.m. to 9:58 a.m.

At 10:00 a.m. the Public Health quarterly meeting convened. Present were Tony Hanson, Jessica Duffy, Beth Delabarre, Darcy Klever, and Ashley Kottsick. Ms. Duffy reported immunizations were mostly on track except for babies. Some parents are choosing to alter the schedule of immunizations. Health Tracks are going well and there have been tobacco presentations in the Edgeley and Marion schools. NDQuits is always promoted. Jessica stated that they have decided to go with Nightingale Notes by Champ Software for their electronic medical records. It would cost about \$600 per month, but would be very beneficial and necessary for reporting. Comm Klein made a motion to approve their choice, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

Beth Delabarre reported on the Wellness/Grant reports, Not in My House campaign, the Partnership for Success, and the HRSA Opioid Grant. Naloxone will be delivered to ambulances, sheriff's department, fire departments, city police, and will be provided to the schools. The Mental Health First Aid Training was attended by 26 community members. There are three take-back sites in the county for disposal of medications. They are LaMoure County Sheriff's Department, LaMoure Drug Store, and Edgeley Pharmacy.

Tony Hanson reported the financials are on track. In environmental concerns, he met with the Lake LaMoure Board concerning septic system, and there is a concern with vermin after piles of grain are removed at elevator sites. In the legislation area, there is emphasis on behavioral health.

The next meeting of Public Health is scheduled for July 16th.

Tax Director Denice Porter brought in an inundated acres abatement request for last year's taxes. The commissioners took no action. She also brought a list of 18 inundated acre applications for this year. Comm Miller made a motion to approve, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Treasurer Cindy Worrel brought in two abatement applications. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve them, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Comm Klein made a motion to approve the Old Time Tractor Pull Agreement for Mike Larson, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

The NDDOT-911 Street Sign Agreement with the state allows for 911 signs to be placed on stop signs. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

Auditor Hamlin explained there is a need for a Code of Ethics to be added to the policy handbook. There are versions for elected officials and for employees. The commissioners have not had time to review them and so agreed to table the issue.

There is a need for higher internet speed in some county offices and ITD will provide it at a cost of \$865 per month for 50 MB. The current charge is \$490 per month for 10 MB. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried.

Comm Klein reported that the LaMoure County Summer Theater Board is planning to disband as there are only two members left on what was originally an eight-person board. There is someone from Valley City that is interested in using the theater and some cabins for classes next year. No shows are scheduled for this year.

Contracts for Lease of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Properties for Seefeldt and Jawaski were discussed. Auditor Hamlin is waiting for the original Word documents. They will be ready by the next meeting.

Representatives from Colonial Life have been in touch with the county for offering coverage similar to what is now being offered by AFLAC. No action was taken as it is too late to implement for this year.

Future meeting dates were set for August 6th and 20th and September 5th and 17th.

The commissioners reviewed the bills. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the bills presented, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AMERICAN BEDDING MFG INC	1,574.37
CENEX FLEETCARD	496.50
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	251.64
COLE PAPERS INC	38.10
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER EMS OF LAMOURE	210.00
COMPUTER EXPRESS	466.10
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	75.21
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	100.09
DATHE CONSTRUCTION	520.00
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	840.55
DIRECT ELECTRIC INC	760.55
ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION DIV	170.99
EDGELEY MAIL	175.00
ELSE/MIKE	293.14
FLATH/ROBERT	200.00
GREEN IRON EQUIPMENT	17.46
HAMLIN/JANICE	185.60
HEIDINGER/KEITH	399.76
HWY. 13 ONE-STOP SHOP, INC	8,000.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	49.20
KARR TUCKPOINTING LLC	25,834.00
KLEIN/BRUCE	415.66
LAMOURE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	115.00
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	304.33
MB CUSTOM	350.00
MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	2,099.35
MIDSTATES WIRELESS	74.10
MILLER/LEE	267.28
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	38.13
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - 1250	2,095.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	2,308.94
PFIZER, INC.	1,852.48
PHARMCHEM INC	57.10
PITNEY BOWES	456.00
PORTER/DENICE	37.00
QUALITY INN	84.60
QUILL CORPORATION	243.48
SHOCKMAN LAW, PLLC	3,393.01
SOLINGER LUMBER	42.00
STURDEVANTS AUTO PARTS INC	129.92
TOBACCO FREE NORTH DAKOTA	1,000.00
TRUENORTH STEEL	41,040.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	218.02
VERIZON WIRELESS	282.36
VISA	3,139.85
WALKER/DELIA	30.00
WARCKEN/BILLI	59.16
WEIGEL/VICTOR	246.40
WORREL/CINDY	174.00

There being no further business, Chairman Flath adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF JUNE, 2019

ROBERT FLATH, Chairman

ATTEST:

JANICE HAMLIN, County Auditor