

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONER  
MEETING-March 7, 2018**

The meeting date was moved from March 6<sup>th</sup> to March 7<sup>th</sup> due to a storm day on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

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, Victor Weigel, and Lee Miller were also present. Also attending were Janice Hamlin, Auditor; Lauren Worrel, County Highway Superintendent; Patty Wood-Bartle, Edgeley Mail; and Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle. Absent was Tonya Duffy State's Attorney.

Chairman Klein asked for additions to the agenda: Interview committee for the Highway Superintendent position. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to approve the additions and the agenda, seconded by Comm Miller. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve the minutes for the February 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

Social Service bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to approve the Social Service bills, seconded by Comm. Weigel. Motion carried. Total \$948.89.

Cindy Worrel County Treasurer met with the board to get approval on abatements. There were eleven parcels involved with a total negative tax adjustment of \$1,254.53 The parcel numbers were 26-2202000, 32-2202000, 40-0101140, 06-1001110, 33-07501014, 40-0951004, 34-0113050, 39-9999126, 37-9999106, and 39-9999114. A motion was made by Comm Miller to approve the abatements presented, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

The board received a letter from the ND Office of State Court Administrator. The Board of Commissioners will need to decide the manner in which the clerk of district court services will be provided in the county for the 2019-2021 biennium. A motion was made by Comm Flath to enter into a funding agreement for the 2019-2021 biennium to receive reimbursement from the State for providing clerk services, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

Lauren Worrel County Highway Superintendent reported the crews are in the shop finishing the last rake. They are also building an attachment to convert mounting attachments from John Deere to CAT. They have done some maintenance on the sign truck and have it ready. All the permits for CR 62 are in and on file. The bids for the box culverts will be later. The crews have been out plowing snow. There is a lot more snow in the western part of the county. The snow is so heavy this time and is slowing them down. The ice underneath has caused some of the blades to go in the ditch. It will take three days to clear all the roads. There is enough salt and sand for the rest of the season, however they will have to order more salt next year. The county is down to two trucks to move snow and should consider a third truck. Dickey Rural Network requested five utility permits for 40 miles of fiber optic cable which will be 42" to 48" deep along CR's 34,35,61,63, and 65. The total cost for the permits is \$1,400.00. Worrel feels they have put everything in the permits. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to approve the five LaMoure County Utility Permits for DRN, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried. Tim Geinert will take the lead on the township meetings. The base sheets will be done along with the mile certs. The board needs to schedule township meetings. Worrel said that road restrictions will be going on soon. This was Worrel's last commissioner meeting. The board thanked him for all his years of service and wished him well.

The board set up an interview committee for the Highway Superintendent position. It will be Comm Miller, Laurie Good, and Tanya Wieler. Interviews will be scheduled for next week.

Break 9:21 a.m. to 9:31 a.m.

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

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A & K COLLISION & REPAIR	1425.95
AGRI VALLEY INSURANCE	1,032.00

ALLIED ENERGY	284.22
AT&T MOBILITY	27.24
BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRICT	62.60
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	1,572.36
CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT	2,070.00
CITY OF KULM	74.67
COLE PAPERS INC	45.36
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER EMS OF LAMOURE	980.00
COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,690.00
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	1,183.80
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	99.47
DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	875.00
DAKOTA PERFORMANCE & ACCESSORIES	980.00
DELUXE	190.18
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1,449.57
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	231.00
DUFFY LAW OFFICE	2,487.52
DUFFY/JESSICA	737.52
FIRST STATE BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA	560.00
GOOD OIL COMPANY	1,060.40
HOMAN/CAROLINE	33.79
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	834.90
JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS	85.00
JUD CAFE	170.00
KADRMAS LEE & JACKSON INC	5,604.30
KELLY/FALLON M	39.24
KLEVER/DARCY	528.22
KLEVER/JAKE	96.00
LAMOURE CHRONICLE	863.48
LAMOURE CITY	166.98
LAMOURE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	1,225.00
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	127.97
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	89.76
LAMOURE HARDWARE	492.98
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	997.34
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	90.00
LEAF	121.00
LOOMER/DANIEL	50.00
MCLEAN/ANNA	168.00
MEISCH/DAN	30.00
NARDINI	696.00
NATIONAL BUSINESS FURNITURE	215.00
ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	11.50
ND SHERIFF'S & DEPUTIES ASSOCIATION	50.00
ND 911 ASSOCIATION	25.00
NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE	19,146.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	302.71
PANDORA MEDIA INC	2,290.75
PK SAFETY SUPPLY	2,100.00
PORTER/DENICE	30.30
QUILL CORPORATION	1,356.06
RACINE/JULIANNE	80.17
RODIN'S CORNER	31.00
SANDNESS/STACEE	52.32
SOUTH CENTRAL DAKOTA REG COUNCIL	7,927.00
ST ROSE CARE CENTER	31,743.68
STUTSMAN COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER	975.00
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	48.30
VERIZON WIRELESS	307.78
WASTE MANAGEMENT	110.82
WE'RE SCHMOKIN' NOW	549.00
WEX BANK	359.70
WILHELM CHEVROLET BUICK GMC	1,640.26
WM LAMPTRACKER INC.	99.95

The county land bid opening occurred at 10:00 a.m. for the NW1/4 21-134-61. Dustin Peterson submitted a written bid for \$1,000.00 per year for a three year lease. There were no other bids. A

motion was made by Comm Weigel to accept Dustin Peterson's bid, seconded by Comm Flath. Motion carried.

The board received informational letters from the Department of Health and Center for Rural Affairs.

The Paid Under Protest meeting began at 10:13 a.m. It was a few minutes early but all parties involved were in attendance. Justin Klein spoke first in reference to parcel number 33-0320120. He stated that his land value went from \$46,000.00 the last three years to over \$100,000.00. There have been no improvements to the house and no building permits. The building permit for the house was for 2010. Tax Director Denice Porter stated that the garage and addition were never added to the taxes until this year. Due to turnover in the tax department, the house was finally assessed last year. The county can go back for taxes three years if they would like but are only going to go forward at this point. Steve Lippert was next with LaMoure Lanes parcel numbers 33-0116150, 33-0116160, 33-0116170, and 33-0116170. He is making less than half of the income than when he started it. He is lucky to gross \$13,000.00 per year. This leaves no money for improvements. He had to take a grant this year to get through the season. He is taking on other jobs in the fall and spring to make it work. He is asking for a break on the taxes. Porter said that the building itself went from \$40,425.00 to \$47,900.00. She stated that the commercial lots increased considerably. The parties were asked if they attend the state equalization meeting and neither party had. That would have been the appeal process where they could have stated they were not satisfied. First you should attend the equalization meeting, next the county equalization meeting, and then the state equalization meeting. The board did not act on the Paid Under Protests presented today. The board will leave the valuations the way they are.

Two new Paid Under Protests have been filed. They are Patty Wood-Bartle with the old Edgeley Mail building, parcel number 34-0105030 which is only used for cold storage, and Mark Schlenker is protesting parcel number 29-3750004, which is classified as commercial. He wrote he was told by the state it should be agricultural.

The county has a total of seven Paid Under Protests filed as of today's date.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 20th DAY OF MARCH, 2018

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BRUCE KLEIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

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JANICE HAMLIN, County Auditor