

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSONER
MEETING-September 6, 2017**

At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Lee Miller called the meeting to order and opened with the pledge to the flag. Commissioners Bruce Klein, Bob Flath Victor Weigel, and Keith Heidinger were also present. Also attending were Karin Boom, acting secretary; Lauren Worrel, County Road Superintendent; Matt Lange, Highway Engineer; Patty Wood-Bartle, Edgeley Mail; and Gerald Harris, LaMoure Chronicle. Absent were State's Attorney Tonya Duffy and Auditor Janice Hamlin. Also attending the meeting were Verleen Schear, Steve Powers, Joe Neis, Tony Buerkley, Gene Rode, and Dave Holweg.

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

A motion was made by Comm Weigel to approve the August minutes, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Social Service bills were presented for payment. Comm Heidinger made a motion for the bills to be paid, seconded by Comm Weigel. Motion carried. Total Expenditures: \$947.08.

County Road Superintendent Lauren Worrel reported that the blades have completed their sixth rounds in the eastern part of the county and seventh in the western part. There will be more work done following harvest. The culvert replacement is underway in Golden Glen Township. The graveling is complete on CR 34 and CR 35 has been mowed in preparation for shoulder pulling between CR 60 and CR 61. CR 60 will have 7.5 miles of chip sealing completed in the coming week. Two culverts on CR 34 east of CR 62 have been replaced with plastic culverts in slough area where the metal culverts rusted away. The patching is complete on the Litchville road. Near Berlin on CR 35 the road will be ground and repaired. The Cat 950 loader on demo at the Seefeldt pit is working well and Worrel would like to purchase it. The cost on the NJP pricing is \$268,436 and he would trade in the oldest blade which is a 2009 model. The cost with trade is \$186,436. Worrel would like to keep the old 950 loader for backup. He has to rent loaders now for backup. There is currently money in the budget for the new loader. A motion was made by Comm Weigel to purchase the Cat 950 demo loader with trade of the blade, seconded by Comm Flath. Roll call vote-all voted in favor. Motion carried. Worrel will demo a new Mack truck this fall. Striping is underway and when that is completed the remainder of CR 60 chip sealing will be done. The project submissions for Federal Aid are coming due. The two projects on the schedule are sliver widening with overlay on CR 34 from US 281 to CR 163 and is estimated at \$1.4 million and CR 35 from CR 65 to CR 66 is estimated at \$1 million. Guardrails on the Merricourt road bridges may be covered by Safety Funding. That will be awarded in October. There is \$350, 000 left in State Highway Fund and must be used in 2018. The top concern is CR 34. It is possible to borrow ahead up to three years of funding. Highway engineer Matt Lange brought the contract for CR 34 if that project is selected. The box culvert bridge on the Merricourt road has too much material on top and needs riprap at the base. The culvert is still in good shape. The Berlin project should have enough funding if the County Road Department does all the work. The DOT meeting is on October 8th. The road testing person is in the area now. Test results are valid for seven to ten years. The testing cost is approximately \$5000 to \$6000. Lange will prepare contracts for testing to present at the next meeting and some bridge project proposals. Worrel plans to go to full maintenance of existing roads to maximize remaining road funding. Lange also stated that CR 61 filing/approval is outstanding and they are also waiting on decisions on the Memorial Park and Lake LaMoure proposals. The lake project scenic route overlook can be completed now ahead of the decision since the material is there. Also, the riprap on the CR 34 bridge will be done this fall if weather holds. The canoe access at Memorial Park will be looked at if there is time.

Kimberly Robbins was not at the meeting, but left information for consideration on the DES Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant. A motion to sign the Hazard Mitigation Plan update was made by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Klein. Motion carried.

Break 9:40 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.

Bills were reviewed. Motion by Comm Klein to pay the bills presented, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AGRI VALLEY INSURANCE	194.00

ALLIED ENERGY	3,331.85
AT&T MOBILITY	36.58
BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRICT	53.00
BAYSHORE CITYSIDE	72.75
BEK COMMUNICATIONS	720.00
BERUBE'S	689.66
BROWN & SAENGER	101.66
BUILDERS MART	122.20
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	338.87
CITY OF KULM	69.66
COLE PAPERS INC	69.90
COMFORT INN	491.40
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER EMS OF LAMOURE	110.00
COMPUTER EXPRESS	4,543.98
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	1,283.80
D & B PORTABLES LLC	300.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	44.78
DAKOTA DYNAMICS	1,000.00
DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	135.00
DAKOTA PLAINS AG	155.00
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	83.02
DATHE CONSTRUCTION	260.00
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1,412.60
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	231.00
DUFFY/JESSICA	246.24
EDGELEY MAIL	172.19
FLECK/JEFF	140.00
FLEETPRIDE	82.58
GENERAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	403.33
GLAXOSMITHKLINE PHARMACEUTICALS	10,119.49
GLYNN LAW FIRM PC	585.00
GOOD OIL COMPANY	23,239.98
GREEN IRON EQUIPMENT	318.66
HAKUNA MATATA	50.00
HAMLIN/JANICE	64.80
HENRY SCHEIN	1,392.14
HENRY/ROBERT	140.00
HERTEL/DARREL	24.30
HI-WAY SERVICENTER,INC	37.00
HOMAN/CAROLINE	199.05
HWY. 13 ONE-STOP SHOP, INC	180.20
JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS	38.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	706.11
KADRMAS LEE & JACKSON INC	23,542.73
KAMLETZ/JAY	140.00
KETTERLING/JACKIE	67.50
KNUTSON/BRADLEY	140.00
KULM HARDWARE & HOME CENTER	7.98
LAMOURE CHRONICLE	597.80
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	45.33
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	384.63
LAMOURE HARDWARE	1,169.54
LAMOURE LOCKERS	76.61
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	1,006.04
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	100.00
LARSON GRAIN CO	173.84
LEAF	121.00
LEXIS-NEXIS	152.77
LOOMER/DANIEL	30.00
LYCOX ENTERPRISE INC	15,385.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	1,331.17
MCLEAN/ANNA	86.08
MONK/CONNER	140.00
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	38.15
ND SECRETARY OF STATE	3,984.24

NORTH CENTRAL RENTAL & LEASING LLC	2,284.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	2,563.84
PETERSON ENTERPRISE, INC	200.00
PITNEY BOWES	351.00
PORTER/DENICE	112.86
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	291.04
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	35.12
PURCHASE POWER	2,015.00
QUILL CORPORATION	164.34
RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	209.89
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	78.84
RODE/HARMONY	64.80
SAFETY KLEEN SYSTEMS, INC.	322.02
SANDNESS/STACEE	114.48
SANOFI PASTEUR INC	4,185.74
SCHWAAB INC.	37.36
ST ROSE CARE CENTER	16,329.91
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	50.05
SWANSTON EQUIPMENT CORPORATION	3,300.00
THE RADAR SHOP	258.00
TRUENORTH STEEL	22,246.90
US DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY	116.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	192.54
WASTE MANAGEMENT	468.35
WEX BANK	761.68
WORREL/CINDY	54.00

Steve Powers, Mayor and Joe Neis, Auditor from the City of Edgeley attended the meeting to discuss fees for police services under contract with the County. The City of Edgeley pays \$33,000 for law enforcement. They indicated that they have no issues with the Sheriff's Department. They proposed adding 2-3 mills to the entire county for adding law enforcement to cover all communities in the whole county. Neis stated they can't afford a City Police Department. The city council deals with ordinance violations. This added fee would be equitably divided across the county. Tony Buerkley, Kulm City Mayor stated the city police officer resigned and they are not able to hire another. The city is in deficit spending now. They are currently unable to enforce ordinances. Gene Rode, Mayor and Councilman Dave Holweg from Marion said they don't have local law enforcement and the city council deals with ordinance violations using civil service through the Sheriff's Department. They also stated that Marion would not be able to afford local law enforcement. Comm Flath explained that adding a fifth deputy to the Sheriff's Department would put the department into another employment category and would be significantly more expensive and more involved to administer. Comm Klein said even if they agreed that it was a good idea, there is a problem filling the now empty fourth deputy position which was recently added. He also said that adding an additional deputy could require at least 4 or 5 mills over the whole county. Comm Flath thanked the communities for attending and stated that the board would have to talk with the Sheriff and get costs projected for adding an additional deputy. The budget for this year is nearly set so it would likely be another year before this could be implemented in any case.

Worrel called to report that the road testing crew is in the area today and could do the requisite testing at this time. The cost is \$7500. There is funding in the budget and Worrel will pay for it and have it done.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Comm Heidinger. Adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017

LEE MILLER, Chairman

ATTEST:

JANICE HAMLIN, County Auditor