

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, January 20th, 2026**

At 8:30 am Chairman Bruce Klein called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Commissioners present: Robert Flath, Wayne Wald, Jason Weigel and Keith Heidinger. Also present in person were: Jan Hamlin, Auditor; Brandy Anderson, States Attorney – Para legal; Darrick Nitschke, Highway Superintendent; Bryan Tykwinski, KLJ Engineering and Art Hagebock, LaMoure County Chronicle.

Chairman Klein called for additions to the agenda. Auditor Hamlin added 5-County meeting to the agenda. Comm Weigel made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

The January 6th regular minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve January 6th minutes presented, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Klein called for public comment; no public comments were made.

Road Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, reported that he has been in contact with the state regarding the bridge grant funding. At this time, the county has received one grant related to the bridge near Dickey, with additional grant information expected in the future. Darrick also informed the Board that the Road Department has hired an equipment operator, with a start date of February 9. He further noted that he plans to purchase crushed rock for chip sealing from RTS Shearing. The Road Department plans to chip seal approximately 24 miles of road this year.

The County and a landowner experienced a misunderstanding regarding a right-of-way agreement on the CR 34 bridge project near Grand Rapids, which resulted in crop damage. Comm Flath made a motion to cover the damages, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

KLJ Engineering, Bryan Tykwinski, presented information regarding the Master Service Agreement (MSA), which serves as the primary contract and is reviewed every two years. Bryan will present the MSA to the Board and the State's Attorney at the next meeting.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, presented a quote from Everbridge for emergency and non-emergency notifications for a three-year locked-in rate of \$4,025. Comm Flath made a motion to move forward with Everbridge, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried. Kimberly presented the first reading of the Floodplain Ordinance.

Treasurer, Cindy Worrel, presented the December 31, 2025 report balances and accounts. Comm Flath made a motion to accept the financial institutions: BankNorth, Dakota Plains Credit Union, Heartland State Bank, Hometown Credit Union, Dakota Heritage Bank, Choice Financial, LaMoure Credit Union, and Valley Wealth, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Heidinger approved the securities presented, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried. Lastly, Cindy discussed changes between the county and state regarding marriage licenses. Comm Weigel made a motion to move the marriage license process to the Recorder's Office and Cindy Worrel will be backup for the marriage license, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

Cindy Worrel reviewed the county vehicle inventory with the Board.

Tax Director, Angela Mahin, approached the Board regarding Denice Porter staying on one to three days a week to help ease into some of the tasks, meetings and deadlines. The commissioners recommended Angela review her budget to see if there was room and bring it back to the next meeting if she had questions.

NDSU Extension office gave a quarterly report. The 2026 annual performance review will be the afternoon of January 28th.

Break 9:50 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

Auditor, Jan Hamlin, presented the Board with the list of 2025 amendments and transfers. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the amendments and transfers as presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

2025 Budget Amendments

| Fund | Amendment | Original Budget | Amended Budget |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Correctional Center/Prisoner Fund | \$32,820.00 | \$41,000.00 | \$73,820.00 |
| Document Preservation Fund | \$187.00 | \$37,500.00 | \$37,687.00 |
| Prairie Dog | \$817,877.00 | \$1,550,000.00 | \$2,367,877.00 |
| Opioid Settlement | \$2,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,000.00 |
| Car Seat Program | \$113.00 | \$0.00 | \$113.00 |
| Public Health | \$27,995.00 | \$601,311.00 | \$629,306.00 |
| Weaver Trust | \$65,164.00 | \$10,000.00 | \$75,164.00 |

| Fund | Amendment | Original Budget | Amended Budget |
|---------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Estimated Tax | \$7,848.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$12,848.00 |

2025 Transfer

| Description | Amount |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Farm to Market to Road & Bridge | \$1,728.84 |

Comm Flath made a motion to approve LaMoure County as a vote by mail county, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Auditor, Jan Hamlin collected a 5-county meeting head count.

Chairman Klein informed the board of the change in recreational grants program with Garrison Diversion. The grant maximum will be going up from \$50,000 to \$100,000 and will remain at the 25% cost share rate. Applications are due the 1st of March.

Chairman Klein started discussion on LAWA and gave some background on it.

The county bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to pay bills as presented, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

County Bills – January 20, 2026

| Vendor | Amount |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Advanced Business Methods | \$292.41 |
| Agri Valley Insurance | \$1,545.00 |
| Allied Energy | \$46.47 |
| Amazon Capital Services | \$384.94 |
| Anderson Bros., Inc. | \$882.49 |
| Avid Hawk LLC | \$1,765.00 |
| Axon Enterprise Inc | \$275.64 |
| Balco Uniform Co Inc | \$15.80 |
| BankNorth | \$630.00 |
| Bottoms Up | \$75.00 |

| Vendor | Amount |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Cenex Fleetcard | \$918.40 |
| City of LaMoure | \$280.50 |
| Computer Express | \$2,218.97 |
| Counties Providing Technology | \$2,770.00 |
| Dakota Fluid Power, Inc. | \$671.45 |
| Dakota Valley Electric | \$75.43 |
| Fastenal Company | \$1,728.87 |
| FedEx | \$21.57 |
| Flath/Robert | \$300.00 |
| Heidinger/Keith | \$324.70 |
| IAAO | \$255.00 |
| Information Technology Dept | \$2,232.45 |
| I3G Media | \$900.00 |
| John Deere Financial | \$468.44 |
| Johnson Manufacturing Operating, Inc | \$300.19 |
| Klein/Bruce | \$213.05 |
| Klein/Reece | \$250.00 |
| KLJ Engineering LLC | \$11,374.66 |
| Kulm Civic Improvement | \$150.00 |
| Kulm Service | \$106.90 |
| LaMoure County Chronicle | \$349.00 |
| LaMoure Foods, Inc. | \$75.00 |
| Litchville Bulletin | \$20.72 |
| Maertens Welding and Machine Co | \$1,400.70 |
| Marion Bar & Grill | \$150.00 |
| Montana Dakota Utilities | \$74.27 |

| Vendor | Amount |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| ND Association of County Engineers | \$175.00 |
| ND State Radio Communications | \$22,346.51 |
| NDAAO | \$50.00 |
| NDSU Extension Service Dept 7510 | \$14,337.58 |
| On the Rocks Bar and Grill | \$75.00 |
| Otter Tail Power Company | \$4,500.08 |
| Pomp's Tire Service, Inc. | \$10,146.06 |
| PPI Consulting | \$475.00 |
| Quill Corporation | \$85.13 |
| Safety Kleen Systems, Inc. | \$506.62 |
| Schmoker/Michael | \$236.70 |
| Stutsman County Correction Center | \$3,400.00 |
| The Other Bar | \$150.00 |
| Verizon Wireless | \$423.20 |
| Verona Tavern | \$75.00 |
| Wald/Wayne | \$258.00 |
| Walker's Lawncare LLC | \$25,762.50 |
| Weigel/Jason | \$258.00 |
| Western Plains Public Health | \$102.86 |
| WEX Health, Inc. | \$83.00 |
| Zack's Repair, Inc | \$182.54 |

Chairman Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:45 A.M.

APPROVED THIS 3RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BRUCE KLEIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor