

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, April 7th, 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; Fallon Kelly, States Attorney; Darrick Nitschke, Highway Superintendent; and Art Hagebock, LaMoure County Chronicle. Kimberly Robbins, DES/911 Coordinator was on virtually along with two others.

Chairman Klein called for additions to the agenda. Chairman Klein added visitor parking and park employees. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

The March 17th minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Wald to approve the minutes presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

Road Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, informed the board the test results came back on the gravel tested on county property located by ND Highway 46. The test was good with 10% shale, it passes NDDOT specifications, and meets all classification of class 5 & 13 gravel. The Road Department has started to send out "right-of-way" letters. There will be approximately 100 to 150 letters going out. If the property owner doesn't meet the deadline date on the letter, the county will go out, complete the work, and assess it to the property owner's taxes. The township meetings will start next week. Comm Wald asked if individuals want to do dust control on CR 34 and CR 35, what the process would be. Darrick would like to be informed before individuals have the work done so the county could blade the road first. Darrick will contact the company out of Aberdeen and ask when they plan to be in the area working those roads for citizens. The county will continue blading them when needed.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, informed the board that the NDResponse website had a silver alert over the weekend and this is a good time to review how it works. It starts local through local law enforcement and then goes through the state. The state holds meetings with local law enforcement and local first responders before it is put out as a silver alert. Any active alerts are on the NDResponse website at ndresponse.gov. This website also has the burn restrictions and fire danger maps. Neighboring counties had early implementations of very different burn restrictions. When the county does decide to put on a burn restriction, it would be good practice to talk with your fire departments and law enforcement before deciding on the wording to consider for county burn restrictions. Kimberly

also noted that the county website went through an update completed by Avid Hawk LLC and the county is now in compliance with local government accessibility. The county has less control of doing updates on the county website and currently can only locally update agendas and calendar events until more training is received.

Comm Wald informed the board that no equipment was purchased at the Orr Auction for the park and he will continue looking.

Auditor Hamlin let the board know that a firm has reached out and would like the county to consider them to do the yearly audit and related services. Currently, the yearly audits are completed by the State Auditor's Office. Treasurer Worrel also discussed with the board some issues she has had and has contacted this firm for their advice on inventory. Any audit done is also reviewed by the State Auditor's Office. The board would like to know if the State Auditor's Office can also charge a fee for the review. State's Attorney Kelly reviewed NDCC and said yes. The matter was tabled for the next meeting.

Hamlin gave an update on the Primary Election. The Auditor's Office will start mailing ballot applications the week of April 20th to all active voters. If you do not receive an application and wish to vote by mail/absentee, you can call the Auditor's Office to have one sent to you, stop by the office and pick one up, or go online to vote.nd.gov and click on request to vote absentee.

A letter and map were sent to the county in regard to an application to install a surface drain for the City of Marion for Boom Lake flood mitigation. This meeting will be April 22, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of the LaMoure County Courthouse.

There was discussion on having a designated area with signs for visitor parking on the north side of the building. It was tabled and will be brought to the next meeting.

Chairman Klein informed the board that the park summer help application deadline is here and assigned Comm Flath and Kevin Shockman to review applications, interview, and hire needed employees for the 2026 season.

Break 9:36 a.m. to 9:46 a.m.

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

County Bills – April 7, 2026

Vendor	Amount
Allied Energy	\$525.23

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Amazon Capital Services	\$1,139.27
Barnes Rural Water District	\$66.40
Butler Machinery Company	\$5,943.38
Capital I Industries Inc.	\$152.19
Central Valley Health District	\$170.00
CHS Dakota Plains AG	\$1,131.91
City of Kulm	\$83.90
City of LaMoure	\$698.20
Cole Papers Inc	\$184.34
Computer Express	\$1,724.99
Counties Providing Technology	\$2,770.00
Dacotah Paper Co.	\$71.42
Dakota Dynamics	\$1,250.00
Dakota Mailing & Shipping Equip. Inc	\$109.18
Dickey Rural Communications	\$1,158.04
Duffy/Jessica	\$90.63
Fastenal Company	\$1,128.24
Fresh Baby	\$99.20
Gackle/Sarahjoy	\$92.15
General Equipment & Supplies	\$13,784.20
Gille Auto	\$450.00
GlaxoSmithKline LLC	\$858.19
Good/Laurie	\$99.55
Heartland State Bank/Visa	\$1,622.59
Hi-Way Servicenter, Inc	\$522.25
Information Technology Dept	\$2,239.90

Vendor	Amount
I3G Media	\$550.00
Jacobson/Tammy	\$307.40
Jamestown Communications	\$10.00
Kelly/Fallon	\$2,897.91
Ketterling/Jackie	\$141.58
Kulm Hardware & Home Center	\$256.96
LaMoure County Chronicle	\$1,097.88
LaMoure Drug Store	\$18.49
LaMoure Foods, Inc.	\$294.04
LaMoure Hardware	\$988.71
LaMoure Parts Center	\$2,790.61
LEAF	\$132.44
Mac's Hardware	\$88.73
Matthew Bender & Co Inc	\$226.81
Montana Dakota Utilities	\$76.47
ND Community Corrections Association	\$200.00
ND Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences	\$65.00
Oakes Truck & Trailer, LLC	\$1,499.54
Office of Attorney General	\$1,123.00
Otter Tail Power Company	\$3,904.94
Piehl/Torie	\$197.93
Pitney Bowes	\$2,000.00
Racine/Julianne	\$627.13
Ransom County Auditor	\$8,256.69
RDO Equipment Co.	\$33,065.50

Vendor	Amount
Record Keepers LLC	\$7.88
Sanitation Products Inc	\$1,820.04
Steffes Excavation & Trucking LLC	\$850.00
Stutsman County Sheriff's Office	\$55.00
Stutsman Rural Water District	\$50.58
Verizon Connect NWF Inc	\$239.25
Verizon Wireless	\$877.95
W.D. Larson Companies	\$77.41

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

APPROVED THIS 21ST DAY OF APRIL, 2026

BRUCE KLEIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor