

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING-Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025

At 8:30 a.m. Vice Chairman Klein called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Commissioners present were: Wayne Wald, and Jason Weigel. Also present in person were: Jan Hamlin, Auditor; Fallon Kelly, States Attorney; Darrick Nitschke, Highway Superintendent; Art Hagebock, LaMoure County Chronicle; and Bryan Tykwinski, KLG Engineering. Attending virtually was Kimberly Robbins, DES/911 Coordinator. Absent were Chairman Heidinger and Commissioner Flath.

Vice Chairman Klein called for additions to the agenda. There were no additions. Comm Wald made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

The November 18th minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Weigel to approve the minutes with spelling correction, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Vice Chairmen Klein called for public comment; no public comments were made.

Road Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke updated the board that with it being a nice day in temps, the blade crew would be going out and trying to do paved roads and also sand & salt roads. Darrick met with school Superintendents of LaMoure and Edgeley schools on bus route concerns. Darrick talked with surrounding counties on how they do bus routes. The county will continue to send the crew out as they have in the past as it is the most efficient way of removal. If the crew were to do bus routes first, it'd add an entire day to snow removal process. Darrick presented to the board an example of a neighboring county's snow removal policy. The board will review the snow removal policy example so tabled it until the next meeting. Bryan Tykwinski, KLG Engineering, presented the board the FEMA Box Culvert final review bill. Comm Weigel made a motion to approve the final review and sign, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried. Darrick has received calls again about the Network Fleet, the tracking of plows. Verizon has since taken over Network Fleet and isn't multi user friendly, making it not accessible to the public.

CR 65, from Jud to Hwy 46 has had multiple citing's of graveling being pounded out due to misuses. This road is too far gone to be patched or repaved. The future for this road is to be ground next year. The reconstruction cost of this road would be \$750,000 to \$1,000,000.00 per mile and over 7 million to do the whole road.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, gave an update on CodeRED. It is our reverse 911 and non-emergency notification service. Back in November, CodeRed was hacked. Robbins is currently looking into other notification services and has found an additional notification service for employees at \$60 per month. Comm Weigel made a motion to enter into this alternative service until we stop other services, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Inclement weather refresher was discussed among the board. The County reads as follows: A decision to close the County offices due to inclement weather shall be at the discretion of the County Commission, with the assistance of the Sheriff, Road Superintendent, Emergency Manager and County Auditor. If the decision is made to close county offices, employees will receive their normal rate of pay, considered storm pay. Should an employee choose not to attend work due to inclement weather, or to arrive late or leave early when the county offices are still open, that employee will have that time off charged to either vacation or leave without pay. Essential employees are defined as any employee who is in a position that cannot be left unattended or is subject to duties as the need arises. Essential employees will be required to work as needed. Essential employees, who are not on duty but scheduled to work, will be required to make the necessary arrangements to get to work or provide enough notice to their supervisor to ensure that their position is covered. As the purpose of storm pay is to prevent loss of wages due to inclement weather, essential employees who are required to work during

an official storm closing will receive storm pay only to cover any remaining hours they are unable to work on a storm day.

States Attorney, Fallon Kelly, educated the board about the Youthworks program. Youthworks is an attendant care for juveniles. This is something the county has participated in the past. Comm Wald made a motion to renew the participation in the Youthworks, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

The WBI Gas Pipeline meeting for landowners was attended by Comm Wald and Comm Flath. Comm Wald gave the board a summary of the meeting. The meeting was pretty futuristic within the next three years or so and pretty generic.

Two entities submitted their 2026 Beer and Liquor application with Sunday opening; City View Fuel LLC and Dakota Summers. Comm Weigel made a motion to approve both the Beer and Liquor License application with the Sunday opening for City View Fuel LLC and Dakota Summers, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Wald made a motion to sign the estimate for Aberdeen Masonry, Inc., seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Water Board appointment was added to the agenda. Kerry Ketterling approached the board that Bobby Fraunberg resigned from the Water Board. Ketterling recommended the appointment of Derick Klug. Comm Weigel made a motion the appoint Derick Klug to the Water Board, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Break 9:41 A.M. to 9:51 A.M.

Tax Director position has been reopened as the individual has declined the offer. The county will need to readvertise. The Courthouse Custodian position has been filled; Larry Hanson will start December 8th.

The county received a letter from ND Water Resources. Under Senate Bill 2027, which took effect 8/1/2025, communities need to certify that they are undertaking Floodplain Management each year by March 31st. Also, under SB 2027, township floodplain management is currently under the county. The Commissioner did not take action at this meeting.

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

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ALLIED ENERGY	16,379.98
BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRICT	77.00
BERT'S TRUCK EQUIP OF MOORHEAD	695.00
BUILDERS MART	498.48
CITY OF LAMOURE	482.50
COX REPAIR	120.00
DAKOTA DYNAMICS	2,500.00
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1,114.38
GLADEN CONSTRUCTION, INC	15,613.03
GOOD OIL COMPANY	4,612.55
GWORKS	7,420.00
HEARTLAND STATE BANK / VISA	2,005.34
HENRY SCHEIN	105.73
HI-WAY SERVICENTER,INC	1,633.72
KELLY/FALLON	2,796.66
KLJ ENGINEERING LLC	6,983.37
LAMOURE COUNTY CHRONICLE	954.01
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	50.55
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	1,379.03
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	107.76
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT, INC	64.73

MAC'S HARDWARE	11.96
ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	902.66
NEWMAN SIGNS INC	65.08
PEPSI-COLA	337.26
QUILL CORPORATION	28.34
RACINE/JULIANNE	86.80
RANSOM COUNTY AUDITOR	7,984.34
VANGUARD APPRAISALS, INC.	1,400.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	182.75

Vice Chairman Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor

BRUCE KLEIN, Vice Chairman