

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING-Tuesday, June 17th, 2025

At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Heidinger called the meeting to order and opened by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners present were Bruce Klein, Bob Flath, Wayne Wald, and Jason Weigel. Also present in person were Fallon Kelly, State's Attorney; Jan Hamlin, Auditor; Darrick Nitschke, Road Superintendent; Brian Tykwinski, KLG Engineering, Kimberly Robbins, Emergency Manager; Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle, Bobby Frauenberg, LaMoure County Water Resources Board; and Karin Boom. Remote attendance by Melissa Godlewski.

Chairman Heidinger called for additions to the agenda. No additions were offered. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

The June 3, 2025 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Darrick Nitschke reported that the highway department has been crack sealing in the county. Grinding on CR 35 should be completed this week. CR 34 is undergoing 2 miles of stabilization and RFP for construction engineering has one application, KLJ Engineering. Comm Klein made a motion to sign the contract with KLJ, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried. Discussion ensued on blading sections of road that have been treated for dust control. The County will maintain all roads as needed.

Brian Tykwinski, KLJ, reported on bids for the structure replacement projects at Adrian and Grand Rapids which closed last Friday. Gladen had the low bid at \$6,040,000. Industrial Builders had the next lowest and two others submitted bids. The completion is projected to be in September of 2026. A motion to accept Gladen's bid was made by Comm Weigel, seconded by Comm Wald. Motion was passed on a unanimous roll call vote. Paving on CR 35 will begin end of June- beginning of July. The box culvert north of Edgeley probably will be mid-July.

Heidinger called on Bobby Frauenberg for a culvert problem on the Boom Lake drain issue. Frauenberg reported that a culvert on the county road 1.75 miles south of Marion is 3'4" too high and where the drain outlet discharges into the water course it would cause the water to back up onto surrounding farmland and back into Marion. The water board is asking the county to install the culvert to the proper level to allow the water to flow in the waterway. The culvert is 24". There is a possibility of including the cost into drain project. Tykwinski will look into cost of boring versus opening road and digging it in. Mr. Kelly recommended approval based on Water Board meeting and all local, state and federal legal requirements. This was tabled until more information is available.

Kimberly Robbins reported that the county ordinance passed at the last meeting was approved by the State. A couple of errors were found by FEMA- one was a clerical error regarding a date, the other is an issue of the party named as flood plain manager. The board is not qualified as the manager. It has to be a singular office, not a board. The board will be reviewing variances and changes. One officer will have to be appointed. Grand Rapids Township has adopted a Flood Plain Management plan. A 20-hour course is offered to be a flood plain manager. Mr. Kelly recommends proposed motion. A motion to remedy clerical error and appoint a singular office and a second motion for assisting Grand Rapids township in compliance with new rules. Variances and permits can be reviewed quarterly or at regular intervals. A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve clerical changes and appoint Emergency Manager office as Flood Plain Manager, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried. A resolution to approve Grand Rapids Resolution was completed at the last meeting. The township resolution is now completed and part of the record. Two variance forms were presented; one is provided by the State. Mr. Kelly recommends approving the state form to ensure compliance with all contingencies. The Board agreed to publish the State's variance application and review applications quarterly. The management plan goes into effect June 18, 2025. Projects that have been started are grandfathered in.

State's Attorney Kelly discussed the policy on public participation in meetings which will become effective on August 1, 2025 when the legislation goes into effect. He developed a model resolution for

the board to review. Public comment on agenda items would have a limit of 3 minutes per speaker and 15 minutes total discussion time per item. The new statute has provisions for contentious participants and provisions for submitting comments outside of these guidelines on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the board. The provisions pertain to agenda items on the current meeting and the previous meeting. A motion was made by Comm Klein to adopt the resolution, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried. Mr. Kelly also reviewed the executive session clause on the issue of the attorney letter requested regarding the zoning moratorium question. The board will set the executive session on July 1, 2025 at the regular meeting. Mr. Kelly reviewed a gaming permit application submitted by LaMoure Loboes Golf Team and a gaming site authorization for LaMoure Baseball Boosters at Memorial Park. He said they were complete. A motion by Comm Weigel was made to approve the LaMoure Loboes Golf Team application, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried. A motion by Comm Weigel to approve LaMoure Baseball Boosters gaming site authorization, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Break 9:35-9:45

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, returned to the meeting to update the USGS flood gage agreement in the James River at Adrian. The City of LaMoure agreed to the cost-share on the gage to pay half. The county would have to approve the other half. A motion to approve the remaining cost-share was made by Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

The county Auditor, Jan Hamlin reminded the board to review the ND Fire and Tornado Insurance values. Flath said that some roof repairs on the school house and the kitchen should be explored. The policy will be finalized with the agent at an upcoming meeting. The five-county meeting in Edgeley is set for July 10th at 4:30 pm for a tour of the Edgeley Career Academy, with the meeting to follow, ending with a meal at Bottoms Up. Ms. Hamlin explained the calculations that will be performed to arrive at the 3% legislated cap for budgets. Budget meetings set for Monday, July 8th and possibly July 15th. The preliminary budget is to be approved by August 10th.

The county bills were reviewed. Comm Flath made a motion to approve bills as presented, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ADVANCE BUSINESS METHODS	519.95
ALCOHOL MONITORING SYSTEMS, INC.	19.92
ALLSTATE PETERBILT	200.18
ANDERSON BROS., INC.	73.71
ARNDT/TRICIA	400.00
AT&T MOBILITY	63.05
BEAR CREEK GRAVEL LLC	673.40
BOTTOMS UP	75.00
BRAATEN LAW FIRM	8,305.00
BUILDERS MART	89.60
CENEX FLEETCARD	1,451.49
CITY VIEW FUEL	24.38
COLE PAPERS INC	2,556.69
COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,495.00
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	2,695.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	199.75
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	60.91
DAKOTA VALLEY SERVICES	950.78
DINGER/DANIELLE	313.20
FASTENAL COMPANY	1,904.97
FLATH/ROBERT	200.00
GENERAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	1,539.65
GLAXOSMITHKLINE LLC	504.25
GOOD/LAURIE	189.00
HEIDINGER/KEITH	320.40
HENRY SCHEIN	1,170.16

HI-WAY SERVICENTER,INC	64.99
HIGH PLAINS WATER	297.50
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	2,029.85
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM OF ND	149.95
I3G MEDIA	250.00
KLEIN/BRUCE	212.60
KUSTOM MACHINE INC	60.00
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	108.18
LAMOURE HARDWARE	1,009.20
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	691.50
LARSON GRAIN CO	325.00
MAC'S HARDWARE	49.43
MAIN STREET FARM & HOME	29.99
MARION BAR & GRILL	75.00
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	43.50
MOORE ENGINEERING, INC	54,000.00
NEWMAN SIGNS INC	649.28
OAKES TRUCK & TRAILER, LLC	3,421.50
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - 1250	310.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	3,130.55
RACINE/JULIANNE	301.20
SALAMANDER TECHNOLOGIES LLC	1,510.00
STUTSMAN COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER	6,400.00
THE MEDICINE SHOPPE	9.80
TRUENORTH STEEL	42,176.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	239.25
VERIZON WIRELESS	256.92
WALD/WAYNE	256.00
WASTE MANAGEMENT	184.58
WEIGEL/JASON	256.00
WEX HEALTH, INC.	83.00

Chairman Heidinger adjourned the meeting at 10:39 am.

APPROVED THIS 1st DAY OF July, 2025

KEITH HEIDINGER, Chairman

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor