

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING-Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

At 8:30 am Chairman Robert Flath called the meeting to order and opened by reciting the pledge of allegiance. Commissioners: Jason Weigel, Bruce Klein, Lee Miller, and Keith Heidinger were also present. Also attending were James Shockman, State's Attorney; Jan Hamlin, Auditor; Darrick Nitschke, Highway Superintendent and Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle. Attending virtually was DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins.

Chairman Flath called for additions to the agenda. Additions, park construction contract and streambank Terracon. Comm Heidinger approved the agenda with additions, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Flath called for a review of the August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 commissioner minutes. A motion was made by Comm Weigel to approve the minutes, seconded by Comm Miller. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve July 18<sup>th</sup> minute corrections, seconded by Comm. Miller. All voting aye, motion carried.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, shared with the board how the LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) meeting on August 9<sup>th</sup> went and also presented the LEPC board roster. States Attorney, James Shockman, attended the meeting and recommended the approval of appointing these board members. A motion was made by Comm. Heidinger to approve the LEPC board representatives, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, presented the driveway application permit for Kennison township. Mark Berg, Troy Hanson and Rod Berg of Kennison township presented to the board a map of the functionality of an approach. Darrick did add that a culvert will also need to be installed with the approach. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the driveway application, seconded by Comm Miller. All voting aye, motion carried. A second driveway application was presented to the board for the airport and was tabled until the next meeting.

Darrick gave the board an update on current projects. There are two more loads in Kulm to complete for chip sealing, one mile of sand sealing on CR 34, Kulm and LaMoure. That will complete chip and sand sealing for the year. The crew has four miles of shoulder pulls left.

Jason Weiers and Todd Langston representatives of Ottertail Power Company gave an update on the Jamestown to Ellendale Transmission Project and are partnering with Montana-Dakota Utilities with this project. This is 1 of 18 transmission projects in the Midwest. Benefits of this project would be: ensuring electric reliability, increase resiliency to extreme weather, reduce transmission congestion and increase access to low-cost energy. Public input meetings will be held September 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> to give input and answer questions.

County Agent, Julianne Racine, gave a second quarter update to the board. Julianne had lots of positive feedback to give on the event that NDSU Extension have participated in.

Break: 9:41am - 9:52 am

Comm Klein made a motion to give Sargent County Commissioners the Berlin siren to be installed at Silver Lake, seconded by Comm Miller. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Heidinger was in contact with South Central Regional Council for more information about zoning. They have set a meeting time to start the zoning process and receive more information. Comm Miller; Comm Heidinger; States Attorney, James Shockman; and DES/911 Coordination, Kimberly Robbins; will be attending the meeting.

Auditor, Jan Hamlin, presented to the board an email from Agri Valley Insurance agent, Holly Braun, regarding the new garage which is in the construction phase. The NDFT will not cover

the construction phase. Chairman Flath brought information to the board that there is a secondary insurance company that will cover the construction phase. Comm Miller made a motion to get the construction insurance through a third party, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the in-state meal allowance increase, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Klein made a motion to start the NDPERS Public Safety effective October 1st, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

The transferring of NDPERS sick leave from previous employer to current employer is not in the current policy so was not accepted.

Comm Klein made a motion to enter into a new agreement with Terracon, seconded by Comm Miller. All voting aye, motion carried.

Veteran Service Officer, Al Ulmer, turned in a letter of retirement effective October 30, 2023. Comm Heidinger accept his resignation, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

The board reviewed and approved with States Attorney, James Shockman, recommendations of additions to the Memorial Park building contract.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to pay the bills presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ALLIED ENERGY	8,564.52
AT&T MOBILITY	61.79
BAKER, KARIN	150.00
BAKKEGARD & SCHELL, INC.	5,000.00
BANKNORTH	500.00
BARNES COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER	3,230.00
BECKMAN SEPTIC LLC	550.00
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	7,292.57
CENEX FLEETCARD	831.59
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	248.72
CITY OF FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA	14.00
CITY OF LAMOUR	179.00
CLARK EQUIP CO. D'B'A BOBCAT COMPANY	14,539.74
COLE PAPERS INC	135.34
COMPUTER EXPRESS	2,749.25
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	2,500.00
D & B PORTABLES LLC	150.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	120.96
DAKOTA DYNAMICS	1,250.00
DAKOTA FENCE	5,337.50
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	93.16
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	231.00
ESCOSUPPLY	147.00
FFF ENTERPRISES, INC.	1,883.00
FLATH/ROBERT	500.00
FLINT HILLS RESOURCES LP	149,455.20
GENERAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	324.38
GENERAL IRRIGATION & DEWATERING	109.40
GOOD/LAURIE	1,684.52
HEIDINGER/KEITH	468.99
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	1,802.50
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM OF ND	139.95
I3G MEDIA	250.00
KAMLETZ/JAY	55.00
KLEIN/BRUCE	417.69
KLJ ENGINEERING LLC	5,700.73

L & S WORREL TRUCKING, INC.	1,300.00
LAGODINSKI/JAMIE	550.00
LAMOURE CHAMBER RETAILERS	67.00
LAMOURE COUNTY 4-H	1,000.00
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	18.06
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	18.75
LAMOURE HARDWARE	558.57
LITCHVILLE BULLETIN	121.00
MAINSTAY SUITES	264.60
MERCK SHARP & DOHME LLC	2,634.08
MIDSTATES EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY	783.26
MILLER/LEE	413.97
ND DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	1,200.00
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	18,933.92
NDACO	1,322.77
NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE DEPT 7510	7,041.14
NDSU EXTENSION- DICKEY COUNTY	88.40
NEWMAN SIGNS INC	1,372.00
OAKES TRUCK & TRAILER, LLC	1,682.31
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - 1250	305.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	551.44
PHARMCHEM INC	31.95
PITNEY BOWES	456.00
PORTER/DENICE	312.84
PURCHASE POWER	2,000.00
QUILL CORPORATION	50.00
RAW DESIGNS	90.00
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	28.82
RYDELL AUTO CENTER INC.	11,239.00
SANOFI PASTEUR INC	1,319.24
STUTSMAN COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER	1,725.00
TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP.	1,750.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	210.47
VERIZON WIRELESS	866.32
VISTOS CARQUEST	266.09
WALKER/NAOMI	98.00
WASTE MANAGEMENT	468.43
WEIGEL/JASON	378.60
WEX HEALTH, INC.	83.00

Chairmen Flath adjourn the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF September, 2023

---

ROBERT FLATH, Chairman

ATTEST:

---

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor