

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING-Tuesday, October 17th, 2023**

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

Chairman Flath called for additions to the agenda. There were no additions. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agenda with no additions, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Flath called for a review of the October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, commissioner minutes. A motion was made by Comm Klein to approve the minutes, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, brought to the board further information on the road grinder. Darrick provided more knowledge on the reclaimer and some benefits to having one. There is a solution that can be added into the reclaimer and as it does its job it injects this solution into the road that helps with dust control and hardening the roads. Having a machine of this power, would be more time efficient, since it would be able to complete a mile a day. A down payment of \$1,000 will lock in our price with delivery this fall. This machine would also fall under the Flexible Transportation Fund Program. Comm Klein made a motion to purchase a reclaimer, seconded by Comm Miller. Roll call vote: Comm Weigel-yes; Comm Heidinger-yes; Comm Miller-yes; Comm Klein-yes; and Chairman Flath-yes. All voting aye, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke and DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins have requested the engineering contractor, KLJ, make a revision request to FEMA on DR 4660 -PW 56 for a Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) option that has potential for significant savings from the original box culvert request. Comm Miller made a motion to contract with KLJ to make this revision request, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

KLJ, Bryan Tykwinski, shared with the board that the biggest take away with the NDACo conference was the Flexible Transportation Fund Program. It's a reimbursement program. Applications will be due by the end of the year.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, presented to the board the progress of DR-4717. The county is down to the final review. LaMoure County submitted 76 sites in 9 townships. The plan is to sign off with the State and send to FEMA on Thursday. Kimberly also shared that she has a meeting today with the City of Marion on Boom Lake to review current elevation; plan for resources for this fall/winter; and let them know the meeting date with the LaMoure County Water Resource District has not been set.

NDSU Extension Service, Julianne Racine & Torie Piehl, gave their quarterly update. The annual plot tour was a hit with excellent turn out, around 80 attendances. Julianne also updated the board on different pest investigations, and Torie Piehl's recent promotion. Torie, then presented to the board 4-H kids update. 4-H enrollment is going well and the program has welcomed five new families.

Tax Director, Denice Porter, presented to the board a letter from the North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner that LaMoure County needs to decrease residential property values 2% versus 4% that was originally done to be in compliance with state guidelines. Comm Weigel made a motion to decrease the residential property value 2%, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

The board set minimum sale price on delinquent tax property with included the estimated 2023 taxes and the cities requested specials. Parcel number 35-1307101 located at 204 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SW

Kulm was valued at \$60.93; parcel number 33-0134122 located at 12 1<sup>st</sup> St SW LaMoure was valued at \$2,472.26; parcel number 35-0105040 located at 8 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE Kulm was valued at \$5,288.43 with City of Kulm adding \$941.47 in utilities for the total of \$6,229.90; parcel number 34-1224120 located at 507 5<sup>th</sup> St Edgeley was valued at \$1,431.44 with City of Edgeley adding \$538.28 in utilities for a total of \$1,969.72; parcel number 33-0258080 located at 504 1<sup>st</sup> St NE LaMoure was valued at \$298.75; parcel number 33-0258100 located at 504 1<sup>st</sup> St NE LaMoure was valued at \$5,396.44; parcel number 35-1500010 located at 106 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE Kulm was valued at \$7,496.66 with the City of Kulm adding \$240.00 for lawn and \$941.47 for utilities for a total of \$8,678.13; parcel number 35-0400550 located at 313 Main Ave S Kulm was valued at \$8,322.31 with the City of Kulm adding \$240.00 for lawn and \$923.75 for utilities for a total of \$9,486.06; parcel number 35-0400561 located at 313 Main Ave S Kulm was valued at \$112.44; parcel number 33-0116100 located at 104 2nd St SE LaMoure was valued at \$157.97; parcel number 33-0116110 located at 104 2<sup>nd</sup> St SE LaMoure was valued at \$5,080.95; and parcel number 33-0116120 located at 104 2<sup>nd</sup> St SE LaMoure was valued at \$111.61. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the minimum sale price, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Flath gave an update on the Memorial Park James River Bank Stabilization Project. The bid deadline is in a week and the hope is to have a contractor on site by November 1. All the engineering has been complete by Terracon. Now, the project can start the construction phase.

The Veteran’s Service Officer application deadline is October 20<sup>th</sup> and no applicants have been received as of today.

Break 9:52AM-10:12AM

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

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
ALLIED ENERGY	18,067.86
AT&T MOBILITY	62.28
BARNES COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER	1,459.98
BEAR CREEK GRAVEL LLC	26,226.75
BOBCAT OF GWINNER	1,483.52
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	3,576.59
CAPITAL I INDUSTRIES INC.	230.87
CENEX FLEETCARD	1,143.17
CITY OF LAMOURE	80.00
CITY VIEW FUEL	45.03
COLE PAPERS INC	232.04
COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,750.00
D & B PORTABLES LLC	675.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	314.24
DAKOTA DYNAMICS	2,500.00
DAKOTA SKID STEERS, LLC	56.00
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	96.67
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	231.00
DIRECT ELECTRIC INC	2,550.71
FFF ENTERPRISES, INC.	17,875.20
FLATH/ROBERT	478.60
GENERAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	950.00
GOOD OIL COMPANY	9,724.32
HAMLIN/JANICE	209.60
HEIDINGER/KEITH	468.99
HOMETOWN ELECTRIC LLC	3,392.90
JENSEN ROCK & SAND, INC	9,758.49
KLEIN/BRUCE	311.79
KULM MESSENGER	146.58
L & S WORREL TRUCKING, INC.	80.00
LAMOURE HARDWARE	803.08
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	1,286.29
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	357.80

LARSON GRAIN CO	39.96
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT, INC	52.81
LITCHVILLE BULLETIN	88.00
MILLER/LEE	413.97
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	120.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	1,343.77
PHARMCHEM INC	31.95
PREFERRED TRANSMISSION, INC.	3,291.01
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	235.30
QUILL CORPORATION	306.68
RECORD KEEPERS LLC	7.88
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	28.82
STUTSMAN COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER	1,125.00
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	50.32
TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP.	1,734.50
VALLEY PLAINS EQUIPMENT	118.30
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	210.47
VERIZON WIRELESS	1,094.31
VISTOS CARQUEST	669.00
WASTE MANAGEMENT	471.35
WEIGEL/JASON	352.40
WEX HEALTH, INC.	583.00

Chairman Flath adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

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

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ROBERT FLATH, Chairman

ATTEST:

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JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor