

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING-Tuesday, March 19th, 2024**

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

Chairman Weigel called for additions to the agenda. Comm Miller made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Weigel called for a review of the March 5th 2024, commissioner minutes and March 5th Park Board minutes. A motion was made by Comm Klein to approve commissioner and park board minutes, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

Darrick has received two generator bids. The FEMA emergency relief money cannot be used for the installation of the generator cost but the funds can be used for when the generator is having to be used. Comm Miller made a motion to accept the Novak bid for \$27,876.56, seconded by Comm Heidinger. Roll call vote: Comm Heidinger-no; Comm Miller-yes; Comm Klein-no; Comm Flath-no; and Chairman Weigel-no. Motion failed. Comm Heidinger made a motion to accept the Grotberg bid for \$20,169.52, seconded by Comm Flath. Roll call vote: Comm Heidinger-yes; Comm Miller-yes; Comm Klein-yes; Comm Flath-yes; and Chairman Weigel-yes. All voting aye, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, presented to the board his research on surrounding counties' overweight permits. Darrick suggests changing our charge to \$20 per axle like the surrounding areas. Comm Klein made a motion to charge \$20 per axel on overweight loads, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

Darrick is looking at a truck at Steffes Auction, 2015 Mack. Comm Flath made a motion to preapprove the budgeted truck, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried. Darrick also informed the board that the truck that was ordered three years ago is now pushed out to the middle of July of this year due to supply chain issues. There would be a fee of \$5,000 if we choose to back out. The States Attorney will be reviewing our prior contract to see what legalities are attached.

The park and golf course road is breaking up from the traffic of the trucks working on the streambank. There are six or eight spots currently needing repair. The entire project is projected to be done by the end of June.

Culvert and oil bid openings began at 9:12 am. Culvert bid- TrueNorth Steel remains at the same prices as last year. Oil bid- Flint Hill Resources, CRS 2P \$669 per ton delivered and CSS 1H D50 \$345 per ton delivered. Comm Heidinger made a motion to accept the culvert bid with TrueNorth Steel, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Flath made a motion the accept the oil bid from Flint Hills, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

KLJ, Matt Lange, gave an update on the Adrian bridge replacement project. They are looking at moving the bridge so the skew of the river works better with the channel making it a fifteen-degree skew versus the current thirty-degree. Relocating the bridge would decrease the length of the bridge by about 10% and save an estimated amount of \$250,000-\$300,000 which would offset the costs of the alignment. This would have to go through NDDOT for approval. Roughly four acres of land would be involved in this change. The board feels this would be a good change but the landowner will need to be consulted. Moving onto the Jud project, Co Road 35 to Hwy 281 bidding will begin mid-April to mid-May, giving a 30-day award window.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberly Robbins, shared with the board that LaMoure County was awarded funding from the state and local cybersecurity grant program. As we are a government entity receiving the funding, we have two options; enroll in the free CISA cyber hygiene vulnerability scanning or request NDI to send a letter that it is already being done through them. Comm Heidinger made a motion to sign the CISA cyber hygiene scan, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Kimberly also gave an Avid Hawk update on the webpage usage.

Thursday, April 18th at 7 PM there will be a SkyWarn Training at Edgeley National Guard Armory. It is a free seminar and there is no registration.

Break

ND National Flood Insurance Program Basis, Tyler Spomer, presented to the board. Currently, 53 counties in the state participate. LaMoure already does participate. Being a participant in the NDIP gives access to receiving FEMA funds.

NextEra Energy Resources, Daulton Person, presented to the board wind turbine efficacy. NextEra is looking to complete two projects in 2028 with 183 turbines total in the county of LaMoure.

NDSU Extension Agent, Julianne Racine, gave an update to the board on what extension has been up to and her schedule of upcoming events.

The board discussed the Veteran’s Service Officer position and has concluded that they stay with Barnes County for the year.

Comm Flath gave an update on the Memorial Park Streambank. The project is moving forward. There has been another change including increased cost of lumber material. Comm Flath made a motion to approve the change order #2 on Memorial Park Streambank, seconded by Comm Miller. All voting aye, motion carried.

NRCS presented the county with an operation and maintenance plan. Comm Flath made a motion to sign the operations management plan, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye motion carried.

Jamestown Area Youth BB gaming site authorization at the Rabbit Hole. Comm Miller made a motion to approve gaming site authorization seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AGRI VALLEY INSURANCE	463.00
ALBER/LAUREL	17.25
ANCHOR MARKETING	1,040.83
AT&T MOBILITY	62.34
BAKKEGARD & SCHELL, INC.	9,835.00
BANKNORTH	630.00
BOBCAT OF GWINNER	921.95
BOHNENSTINGL/SHANEL	58.00
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	551.50
CENEX FLEETCARD	916.55
CHS DAKOTA PLAINS AG	513.19
CITY OF LAMOURE	562.00
COLE PAPERS INC	430.22
COMFORT SUITES	481.50
COMPUTER EXPRESS	4,102.97
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	142.12
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	119.52

DAKOTA VALLEY SERVICES	160.63
DORICH/MARIE	348.11
ESCOSUPPLY	4,471.06
FLATH/ROBERT	326.80
FLECK/JEFF	158.00
GOOD OIL COMPANY	2,570.00
GOOD/LAURIE	3,297.54
GRANDMA BLUE'S BAKERY & CAFE	40.00
HAMLIN/JANICE	58.00
HEIDINGER/KEITH	443.38
HENRY SCHEIN	370.83
HI-WAY SERVICENTER,INC	68.50
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	1,682.00
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM OF ND	142.95
JAMESTOWN REGIONAL MED CT	513.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	716.54
JOHNSON MANUFACTURING OPERATING, INC	4.65
KLEIN/BRUCE	318.09
L & O ACRES TRANSPORT, INC.	2,534.13
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	14.58
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	387.41
LEXIS-NEXIS	94.61
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT, INC	54.74
LLOYD/KYLE	322.40
MAERTENS WELDING AND MACHINE COMPANY	2,187.60
MILLER/LEE	416.58
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	66.19
NARDINI	850.00
ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	589.00
ND SAFETY COUNCIL	1,320.00
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	19,743.56
NDACO	1,349.44
NEWMAN SIGNS INC	259.60
NITSCHKE/DARRICK	192.60
OAKES TRUCK & TRAILER, LLC	1,845.43
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	3,339.03
PENGUIN MANAGEMENT, INC.	279.00
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	35.36
QUILL CORPORATION	30.97
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	214.40
SLEEP INN & SUITES	96.30
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	210.47
VERIZON WIRELESS	671.90
WEIGEL/JASON	353.60
WEST END HIDE, FUR & METAL CO., INC	103.00
WEX HEALTH, INC.	83.00
ZACK'S REPAIR, INC	55.00

Chairman Weigel adjourn the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 2ND DAY OF APRIL, 2024

 JASON WEIGEL, Chairman

ATTEST:

 JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor