

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING-Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 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; Fallon Kelly, State's Attorney; Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle, Melissa Godlewski, Raymond Godlewski, and Sarah Gackle. Kimberly Robbins, DES/911 Coordinator; attended virtually.

Chairman Weigel called for additions to the agenda. The additions were LaMoure Chamber picnic and Melissa & Ray Godlewski. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Weigel called for a review of the July 16<sup>th</sup> 2024, commissioner meeting minutes and July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> budget meeting minutes. Comm Miller made a motion to approve all three meeting minutes, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, presented a utility permit for a grain bin site on CR 35. Comm Klein made a motion to approve the utility permit, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried. Darrick also shared knowledge he acquired from Bryan, of KLJ, on traffic control for CR 62 and CR 34. The recommendations were to have the intersection be a four way stop with stop ahead sign before the intersection to warn people. Then, after a year or so the county can switch the traffic and put flashing light signs on just the gravel part and have the paved road have the right-a-way. Comm Flath made a motion to change the intersection of CR 62 and CR 34 to a four way stop with advertising, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried. The road department finished chip sealing and fog sealing 18 miles and what was chip sealed last year in Kulm was fog sealed this year. The county also received a bridge inspection including load rating certification completed by the NDDOT which requires local match to be accomplished.

Melissa & Raymond Godlewski approached the board with concern of how medical professionals are supposed to get to individuals within Dickey in the event of an emergency if there are no paved roads. The couple was also concerned with what is the plan for CR 35. Darrick responded to the concerns with at this time CR 35 will just have to be patched for this year.

Chris Cook & Todd Langston, Ottertail Power- Project managers, gave an update on the JetX project. The project is approximately 92 miles with 4 to 6 structures per mile. They will be starting in Ellendale area working north. This will require 150' wide easement strip.

DES/911 Coordinator, Kimberley Robbins, presented a quarterly report on Avid Hawk, our website provider. The top reviewed pages were homepage, treasurer, tax, recorder, and job openings, averaging 1250 visits a month. Secondly, Kimberley informed the board of Executive Order 2024-4, written for Central North Dakota. This order is for Federal Aide Highways damaged by water with exceeding 150% rain fall. Lastly, LEPC will be meeting Thursday, Aug 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 AM -9:00AM in Edgeley.

Break

The board review the 2025 preliminary budget. The total county preliminary budget is \$10,589,553. The 2024 preliminary county budget was \$12,536,674. One mill is equivalent to \$45,856. At this time the Sheriff department budget is subject to change as it could be amended if another deputy were to be hired. Comm Klein made a motion to approve the 2025 preliminary budget, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

The commission set the budget public hearing date on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

The county received an invitation to the LaMoure Chambers Retailers Annual Employee Appreciation Picnic. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve paying for the employees and their family's tickets for the picnic, seconded by Comm Klein. All voting aye, motion carried.

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

<b><u>Vendor Name</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
ADVANCE BUSINESS METHODS	431.91
AGRI VALLEY INSURANCE	304.00
ALLIED ENERGY	14,372.85
ANCHOR MARKETING	1,123.56
BARNES RURAL WATER DISTRICT	66.00
BECKMAN SEPTIC LLC	450.00
CITY OF KULM	79.90
CITY OF LAMOURE	446.00
COLE PAPERS INC	46.08
COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,800.00
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	2,622.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO.	343.01
DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	875.00
DAKOTA DYNAMICS	1,250.00
DAKOTA MAILING & SHIPPING EQUIP. INC	190.36
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1,137.94
DUFFY/JESSICA	1,445.02
FLINT HILLS RESOURCES LP	231,861.60
GOOD OIL COMPANY	1,327.81
HEARTLAND STATE BANK/VISA	2,037.40
HI-WAY SERVICENTER,INC	408.40
HOLIDAY INN	288.90
JENSEN ROCK & SAND, INC	14,630.95
K.P. SHOCKMAN TREE MOVING	1,502.50
KELLY/FALLON	2,629.98
LAMOURE CHRONICLE	132.00
LAMOURE HARDWARE	379.17
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	426.36
LEAF	120.40
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT, INC	52.10
MAIN STREET FARM & HOME	106.99
MEMORIAL PARK COUNTRY CLUB	3,000.00
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	3,355.31
NARDINI	85.00
ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	10,258.49
NDAAO	450.00
NEWMAN SIGNS INC	1,134.58
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - 1250	610.00
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	47.10
PEPSI-COLA	312.66
PIEHL/TORIE	538.06
PITNEY BOWES	420.81
PORTER/DENICE	52.79
RACINE/JULIANNE	314.23
RANSOM COUNTY AUDITOR	8,222.61
RDO EQUIPMENT CO.	7,543.91
RECORD KEEPERS LLC	7.88
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	29.48
SAHLI/ZACHARY	220.00
SHOCKMAN/KEVIN	91.00
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	55.64
TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP.	1,762.50
VERIZON WIRELESS	1,014.00
WALKER/NAOMI	42.00

Chairman Weigel adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2024

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JASON WEIGEL, Chairman

ATTEST:

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JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor