

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING-Tuesday, January 6th, 2026**

At 8:30 am Chairman Heidinger called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Commissioners present: Bruce Klein, Robert Flath, Wayne Wald, and Jason Weigel. Also present in person were: Jan Hamlin, Auditor; Brandy Anderson, States Attorney – Para legal; Darrick Nitschke, Highway Superintendent; and Art Hagebock, LaMoure County Chronicle.

Chairman Heidinger began with board reorganization. A nomination was made by Comm Flath to nominate Comm Klein for Chairman, no further nominations were offered. Comm Weigel made a motion that nominations cease and cast an unanimous ballot for Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Heidinger offered a nomination of Comm Flath as Vice Chair, no further nominations were offered. A motion was made by Comm Weigel to cast an unanimous ballot for Comm Flath, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried. Comm Heidinger will be PIO.

Chairman Klein called for additions to the agenda. Auditor Hamlin added 5-County meeting to the agenda. Comm Heidinger made a motion to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

The December 16th and December 30th special minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Flath to approve both December 16th and 30th minutes presented, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Chairman Klein called for public comment; no public comments were made.

Road Superintendent, Darrick Nitschke, was approached about tree planting closer than the recommended 200 feet. With much discussion the commission came to the conclusion that the trees need to be at least 16 feet from the right of way. Nitschke gave the board an update on job open status, part of the holdup he feels is the CDL requirement. The county will be working with HR in adopting a policy on acquiring a CDL and repayment. Nitschke started discussed with the board on rock crushing and the cost of it for the 24 miles that will be needed for chip sealing with hot in place.

Engineer Conference in Grand Fork is January 26th.

Larson Grain has asked that the two trailers with clothing and props that had belonged to the LaMoure County Summer Musical Theater be removed from their property. The Highway Department will take care of it.

Public Health has reported the 2018 Ford Explorer the county provides is in need of some repairs. The board is going to do some discussing on what the county has available and revisit next meeting.

Comm Flath made a motion to approve the mileage reimbursement rate to 0.725 retroactive back to January 1, 2026, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to change the Custodian and Tax Director credit card names from Roger Loegering to Larry Hanson and Denice Porter to Angela Mahin, seconded by Comm Wald. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Heidinger made a motion to stay with South Central Dakota Regional Council, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Tax Director, Denice Porter, introduced new Tax Director Angela Mahin to the board. Comm Flath made a motion to sign the Vanguard CAMA contract renewal for 5 years, seconded by Comm Heidinger. All voting aye, motion carried.

Treasurer, Cindy Worrel, presented the board with 3 abatements: homestead filed late, city exemption on a new build and lastly an adjustment for a railroad owner but it's leased. Comm Flath made a motion to approve the abatements as presented, seconded by Comm Weigel. All voting aye, motion carried.

Comm Weigel presented to the board a discussion on the possibilities of starting a JDA.

The board welcomed Larry Hanson to the courthouse as the new Custodian.

Jamestown Regional Entrepreneur Center asked for a letter of support, no action taken at this time.

The board discussed protentional availability for a 5-county meeting.

Break 10:09 A.M. to 10:21 A.M.

The county bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Comm Heidinger to pay bills as presented, seconded by Comm Flath. All voting aye, motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ALLIED ENERGY	4,124.01
BOBCAT OF GWINNER	800.27
BUILDERS MART	35,445.60
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	7,164.44
CHS DAKOTA PLAINS AG	2,358.93
CITY OF LAMOURE	215.00
DUFFY/JESSICA	340.40
FRONTIER BUILDERS SUPPLY	265.00
GALLS, LLC	86.99
HI-WAY SERVICENTER, INC	623.40
KETTERLING/JACKIE	201.60
KULM HARDWARE & HOME CENTER	198.43
LAMOURE COUNTY CHRONICLE	180.00
LAMOURE COUNTY MUSEUM	5,000.00
LAMOURE CO SOIL CONSERVATION DIST	108.00
LAMOURE COUNTY TREASURER	736.52
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	29.40
LAMOURE FOODS, INC.	135.89
LAMOURE HARDWARE	883.90
LEAF	120.40
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	450.00
ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	25,795.69
ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY ENGINEERS	485.00
ND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION	1,725.00
ND RECORDERS ASSOCIATION	500.00
ND 911 ASSOCIATION	100.00
OAKES TRUCK & TRAILER, LLC	1,040.62
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR	17,806.50
POMP'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	3,382.02
QUILL CORPORATION	69.99
SOUTH CENTRAL DAKOTA REGIONAL COUNCIL	9,764.00
SOUTHEAST ND CO COMMISSIONERS ASSOC	400.00
STUTSMAN RURAL WATER DISTRICT	50.85
TOBACCO FREE ND	1,000.00
VAN EEDEN/CLARA	98.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF INC	239.25
VERIZON WIRELESS	296.50
WORKFORCE SAFETY & INSURANCE	250.00

Chairman Klein adjourned the meeting at 10:41 A.M.

APPROVED THIS 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2026

BRUCE KLEIN, Chairman

ATTEST:

JAN HAMLIN, County Auditor