

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
April 19, 2016**

Present: Victor Weigel, Lee Miller, Bruce Klein, Robert Flath, Bruce Heidinger, State's Attorney Tonya Duffy, Lauren Worrel, Matt Lange, Kimberly Robbins, Tony and Leslie Hanson and staff- LaMoure County Public Health, Wanda Larson- Social Services Director, Gerald Harris- LaMoure Chronicle, Patty Wood Bartle- Edgeley Mail; and Karin Boom- acting secretary for Marlene White, Auditor.

8:30 Call to Order, Pledge to the flag. Additions to the Agenda- Park Stream Bank project, Park update. Motion to approve additions by Lee Miller, seconded by Bob Flath and passed.

Bruce Klein gave a report on the Five County meeting held April 17<sup>th</sup> at Geneseo. Terry Traynor of the ND Association of Counties presented information related to impacts of State budget cuts on Counties. Cuts are expected to go beyond 4%. The legislature is still studying a plan to transfer Social Services to the State. Jails and prisons were addressed. ND is 40<sup>th</sup> out of 50 for rates of incarceration with less than half of incarcerations in our penitentiary and more than half in jails. 9 jails in ND are being expanded or replaced. Counties' voting machines are becoming obsolete and outdated- they will be operable for this election cycle. Original cost of them was \$20 million for the State and was federally funded. The replacement costs will not likely be funded. Traynor also described an incident in Rugby that involved deep boring test holes as a possible site location for nuclear waste storage. This could be an issue for ND Counties in the future. Tax levy hearings have proven unpopular with both the citizens and the County Officials because they don't necessarily have all the information at the time of the hearings. Legislators are considering a new law to instate a new process involving sending a preliminary statement of taxes. Commissioner Flath suggested that LaMoure County needs to begin investigating zoning planning to address issues he called 'the biggies' such as the nuclear waste issue, landfills, livestock facilities and other situations that might arise in the County. South Central Dakota Regional Council has done township zoning. He will check on availability and cost. Zoning plans not registered with the state are not valid. Many townships don't have them filed.

Lauren Worrel gave the Highway Department update. CR 63 north of Hwy 13 has a bad spot and it is flagged. Will gravel that area when it is dry. Graveling planned for CR60 between Dickey and Adrian. Road restrictions removed on County roads with the exception of CR34 between US 281 and CR62. New hires for seasonal employment are Aaron Potts and Jim Larson. Worrel presented two boring permit applications from Barnes Rural Water. One located at CR35 and 60<sup>th</sup> St and the other at CR 60 and 60<sup>th</sup> St. Worrel doesn't have any objections. Motion to approve by Comm. Klein, seconded by Comm. Heidinger and passed.

Matt Lange presented contracts for Knife River paving project Engineering. Same format as previous contracts. They may start earlier this year- early summer likely. Contract reviewed by Duffy and approved for consideration. Motion by Bob Flath to approve KLJ Engineering contract CNOBCNOC2311(53) seconded by Lee Miller and passed.

Commissioner Flath discussed the LaMoure County Memorial Park streambank project. Worrel has been stockpiling rock, but needs to know the amount needed to complete the pile. Worrel and Lange will prepare advertising for bids and contracts for the project.

Relay for Life sent a request to the board asking for a declaration of June 1<sup>st</sup> as 'Paint it Purple Day'. Motion by Keith Heidinger to adopt a resolution declaring June 1<sup>st</sup> this year and in subsequent years as 'Paint it Purple Day', seconded by Flath and passed.

Kimberly Robbins, Emergency Manager, reported to the board on the inspection of the LaMoure County Tower site for State Radio Interoperability. The building has deteriorated and rodents are able to get inside, the guy wires are exposed to damage by cattle and the turnbuckles on the wires need to be replaced. Price estimates to replace the door with a standard sized door, paint and replace threshold is \$1785. The anchors and turnbuckles are estimated to be \$4278 for a total cost of approximately \$7133. Bruce Klein will look at the budget and see how much can be completed with the money in the budget for that project. Robbins reported on the FY15 Homeland Security Grant for outdoor lighting at the Courthouse. Bids were submitted by three contractors. Low bid was \$4550 by Direct Electric. Motion by Keith Heidinger to accept the Direct Electric bid, seconded by Klein and passed. Robbins discussed Severe Summer Weather Awareness week is April 25-29. Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup> is the Statewide SKYWARN tornado drill at 11:15am. Burn ban pamphlets are available for distribution. LaMoure County bans burning on red/orange days. Very High and higher ratings activate the ban. The County website has the ban restrictions and map.

Chairman Weigel presented a transfers report on property adjustments from the Auditor. The board reviewed the adjustments and Flath moved to approve, seconded by Heidinger and passed. A memo of classification of employees as exempt or nonexempt was presented, but not received in time to be reviewed and was not acted on. Weigel reported on Park Board interviews for summer help. He relayed a request from the board for offering the job to the selected applicant at \$10 per hour. That amount was approved as having been budgeted. A replacement tractor for the park has been located. Cost is \$4000 with trade. It is a 1555 Oliver with F10 loader, hydraulics, pto and log splitter. Costs to upgrade South side camper site wiring are estimated to be \$12,600, and to finish all of the electrical upgrades approximately \$15,000. Water could be done at the same time with the trenching. Weigel will contact all contractors in the county for proposals/bids. The board recessed and convened the meeting of the LaMoure County Health Board. Motion by Bob Flath to pay Social Service bills and approve previous meeting minutes, seconded by Keith Heidinger and passed. Tony and Leslie Hanson presented reports to the board regarding vaccination program and budgets. Leslie introduced Jessica Duffy who has been hired as the Director of Nursing as of July 1, 2016. Stacey Sandness was also introduced as a new part-time person hired in the department. Leslie presented a proposed resolution for consideration of tobacco free parks at the Memorial Park. The board will refer it to the Park Board. Wanda Larson reported that budget cuts at the State have impacted our county already. Funds for the Homemakers have been cut and more cuts are anticipated. She asked for a second computer monitor for Darcy as it saves a considerable amount of time when she works on multiple programs at once. Tony Hanson also discussed the uncertainty of Public Health program revenue due to budget cuts. He also discussed issues related to sewer installations and there is a licensed installers list that is available. They follow state guidelines and should be used for upgrades and new installations in order to be in compliance with the regulations. Bruce Klein inquired about the threat of the Zika Virus in our area. He is on the weed board and the question has been presented to them and he has referred inquiries to Public Health. Hanson said mosquito checks currently in place will be checking for multiple species and diseases, including Zika. Public Health has applied for a grant to address Suicide Prevention. This will be implemented at the four high schools in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Curriculum is being written for this by the former Kulm Superintendent. The program will begin July 1<sup>st</sup> if the grant is awarded. Hanson also indicated that many transitions are happening in the department with new staff, retiring staff, more collaboration with

other agencies, entities and providers to increase efficiency. Next Public Health board meeting was set for July 19<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Bruce Klein to adjourn, seconded by Keith Heidinger and passed.

Commission meeting re-convened and bills were reviewed. Motion by Keith Heidinger to pay bills presented, seconded by Bob Flath and passed. Chairman Weigel said the Human Resources consultant, Tonya Wieler, will be coming to discuss salaries, comp time, employment issues at a date to be scheduled soon. Future meetings set on May 3 and 17, June 7 and 21, July 7 and 19<sup>th</sup>. Motion to adjourn by Bruce Klein, seconded by Keith Heidinger and passed. Meeting adjourned.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AT&T MOBILITY	16.64
COMFORT INN	80.00
COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,400.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO	266.70
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	82.01
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	235.00
DIRECT ELECTRIC	173.80
DISCOVERY BENEFITS	83.00
EDGELEY MAIL	430.65
ELHARD/ANDREW	30.00
FLATH/ROBERT	150.00
HEIDINGER/KEITH	242.88
HENRY/ROBERT	87.50
HORMANN/ERIC	30.00
HOUSE OF GLASS INC	2,647.31
HWY 13 ONE-STOP SHOP INC	583.11
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	628.75
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM OF ND	356.85
JOB/CHRISTINA	94.62
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	27.11
KADRMAS LEE & JACKSON INC	25,133.46
KAMONI/BEAU	30.00
KLEIN/BRUCE	390.18
KLEIN'S GRILL	24.00
KRAMLICH/JOSEPH	30.00
KULM HARDWARE & HOME CENTER	66.32
KULM MESSENGER	105.00
KUSTOM MACHINE INC	106.69
LAMOURE CITY	287.00
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	41.00
LINDGREN/BRUCE	42.12
LITCHVILLE BULLETIN	693.81
MAC'S INC	18.00
MARCO INC	185.33
MEMORIAL PARK COUNTRY CLUB	81.00
MIDSTATES EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY	28,714.97
MILLER/LEE	425.28
MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	34.04
NDAAO	400.00
OAKES TRUCK & TRAILER CENTER	432.10
OFFICE DEPOT	211.77
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	2,443.58
PORTER/DENICE	119.07
PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC	26.28
QUILL CORPORATION	178.18

RAMADA BISMARCK HOTEL	80.10
RDO EQUIPMENT CO	2,733.93
ROAD EQUIPMENT PARTS CENTER	149.84
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	326.84
SAFETY KLEEN SYSTEMS INC	320.10
SCHWAAB INC	36.75
STUTSMAN COUNTY CORRECTION CENTER	1,950.00
UNIFORM CENTER	143.98
VERIZON WIRELESS	426.96
VISA	693.56
VISTOS CARQUEST	166.46
WARCKEN/BILLI	5.40
WEIGEL/VICTOR	289.80

APPROVED THIS 3rd DAY OF May, 2016

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VICTOR WEIGEL, Chairman

ATTEST:

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MARLENE WHITE, County Auditor