

## **OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAMOURE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING November 6, 2014**

Those present were Commissioners Bob Flath; Keith Heidinger; Victor Weigel; Lee Miller; and Bruce Klein; Marlene White, Auditor; Kimberly Radermacher, State's Attorney; Lauren Worrel, County Road Superintendent; Matt Lange, KLJ; Joe Silverthorne, Tyler Technologies; Sheriff Bob Fernandes; Verleen Shear; Art Hagebock, LaMoure Chronicle; and Patty Wood-Bartle, The Edgeley Mail.

Chairman Flath called the meeting to order at 8:30am with the pledge to the flag.

Additions made to the agenda were LIDAR, Verleen Shear, Museum, and an update on the river banks in the park. Motion by Comm Weigel to approve agenda, seconded by Comm Klein and carried.

County Road Superintendent Lauren Worrel gave an update. Road crews finishing 8<sup>th</sup> round of blading on county roads. Townships may make requests for blading as needed. Wings are being installed on the blades in preparation of snow. Grinding is finished on W Co Rd 34 with graveling beginning soon. The crusher is being torn down for minor repairs this winter. There is a culvert to be replaced west of Cottonwood Lake. A culvert by Marion needs to be replaced as well. Comm Miller reported a hole in the pavement a mile south of Marion, and Worrel said they could cold patch it for now. There is some mowing still to be done. Worrel reported that we are waiting on funding from the State for Knife River Materials and Central Specialties before those bills can be paid. He will be attending a safety workshop meeting in Jamestown at Stutsman County Law Enforcement Center on Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:30-3:30 to discuss the LaMoure County Road Safety assessment which is now being done.

Matt Lange from KLJ stated there was a sign down on Marion road which he would be checking on today. Lange stated that the county saved \$300,000 on the 2014 road projects. Lange said that seal coats could be done now rather than waiting. However, the savings was not enough to get the Adrian project done.

Joe Silverthorne from Tyler Technologies presented information regarding their software programs. The contract would be open ended as long as the annual maintenance fees are paid. The proposal presented to the board included hardware, software, and training. Commissioner Miller asked how well this integrates with Vanguard. Silverthorne stated that Tyler has the ability to interface with Vanguard. Chairman Flath asked if Tyler had anything that compared to Vanguard. Silverthorne stated yes. Chairman Flath also asked about how the soils would be integrated. GIS systems are Windows based, and Tyler can interface with any of those. County Auditor Marlene White asked if programs being written for LaMoure County would be included in the price paid. Tyler would come and review the county needs, and then put the programs together that LaMoure County would need. Tyler would definitely have the county up and running by January 1, 2016. LaMoure County is currently under contract with Computer Professionals Unlimited in Morris, MN, and this would be addressed when that contract is close to expiring.

A payment of \$250 is required to have the Memorial Park brochures distributed again by the North Dakota Tourism Department in 2015. Commissioner Weigel made a motion to pay the \$250 fee to the State which Comm Miller seconded; and the motion carried.

Verleen Shear asked the board to consider changes which would improve the perception of openness of the meetings by changing the way that the minutes are published and how the notification of meetings are posted. Comm Klein explained the current use of email and computers. Shear suggested putting this information in other places besides just the LaMoure Chronicle. She also thought all county newspapers should print draft minutes immediately following the meeting. It was explained that they were not ready for publication, nor is there money in the budget for printing them. Neither paper is willing to print them without payment. Shear would like to see the official minutes on the County website as well. County Auditor Marlene White will work with Kimberly Robbins to make sure the County website is updated with this information in a timely manner.

Sheriff Fernandes updated the board on the deputy hiring process. He requested that the board consider raising the starting pay based on what the surrounding counties are paying. He presented a list of those counties and what they pay. The Commissioners will look at the current pay scale and see what may possibly be done.

Scott Schrader asked the Board about signing a new deed for some property. The Chairman told him that when the quit claim deed was ready, it would be signed and processed for him. The Schrader Quit Claim deed was presented to the Board for signature shortly after this. Motion by Comm. Heidinger to sign deed presented, seconded by Comm. Weigel and carried.

Auditor White reported to the Board that the election process went smoothly. All of the numbers matched at the end of the night. The Commissioners thanked the employees in the Auditor's office, Jan Hamlin and Lori Peterson, for their contribution to this process.

Auditor White told the Commissioners that the computer connection with the State computer system has been going down a lot lately. Chmn Flath stated that the Board needs to inquire and possibly draft a letter to the State. Comm Miller will check into this. Comm Klein suggested we place it on the agenda for the next 5-county meeting.

Auditor White told the board that the County Health Dept requested their Board Meeting will be over lunch at 12:00pm on November 18<sup>th</sup>. This was acceptable.

Auditor White informed the board that the New Extension Agent for LaMoure County will be Julianne Racine, and her first day in the office will be November 21, 2014 due to meetings and training the first part of that week.

The following properties were forfeited to the county due to delinquent taxes for the tax year 2011 and will be offered for sale:

- Parcel #34-2650320 Parcel in Outlot B Parcel #65 in SW1/4 3-133-64 City of Edgeley  
Value set at \$371.84
- Parcel #40-0104170 Lot 17 Blk 4 Orig Verona, 114 5<sup>th</sup> St, City of Verona  
Value set at \$2,500
- Parcel #40-0404100 Lot 10 Blk 4 Lehrers 3 Add Verona, 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, City of Verona  
Value set at \$462.73
- Parcel #40-0404110 Lot 11 Blk 4 Lehrers 3 Add Verona, 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, City of Verona  
Value set at \$462.73
- Parcel #33-0124183 Lot 15 Blk 24 S1/2 S1/2 Lots 15,16,17,18 Blk 24 & 6" Strip Across End of  
Lots Blk 24 Orig LaMoure, South Main St, City of LaMoure  
Value set at \$4,589.14

Parcel #33-0112130 Lot 13 Blk 12 Orig LaMoure, 204 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE, City of LaMoure  
 Parcel #33-0112140 Lot 14 Blk 12 Orig LaMoure, 204 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE, City of LaMoure  
 Parcel #33-0112150 Lot 15 Blk 12 Orig LaMoure, 204 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE, City of LaMoure  
 Value for all three lots set at \$5,354.50

Motion to set values on forfeited properties as listed above by Comm Klein, seconded by Comm Weigel and carried.

SE Central Regional Public Health Network Joint agreement presented to Commissioners for consideration.

Chmn Flath discussed LIDAR needing \$10,000 transferred from the Tax Director's budget for the mapping that would be LaMoure County's portion of development costs. This would be available for anyone to use. Total amount of \$50,000 is being covered by several entities. Comm Heidinger asked if this is a one-time fee, and ChmnFlath said yes. The State Health Dept has paid the start-up fees. The total cost is \$250,000, but \$50,000 of that must be covered by local funding. Soil Conservation will be able to utilize this as well as other entities. Comm Klein stated it can be used in situations of flooding as well. Culvert sizes can be checked to see how it would affect other locations. Stutsman & Wells counties are on board. Comm. Miller moved that LaMoure County participate in the LIDAR development with a one-time payment of \$10,000, seconded by Comm. Klein. Roll call vote taken- all yes.

Comm Weigel stated that the museum received the old Courthouse front doors, but they have never been used. The museum board was wondering if they could get rid of them at this point in time. The Commissioners said that would be fine.

Chmn Flath reported the State portion of the bank stabilization funding has been approved for \$90,000. Chmn Flath will be presenting a grant request in mid-December for the remaining \$600,000 needed. The County could contribute nearly \$200,000 in-kind. Rock would need to be hauled to three sites in the park.

Social Services bills were reviewed. Motion by Comm Heidinger to approve social service bills totaling \$5,049.01, seconded by Comm. Weigel and carried.

Bills were reviewed. Motion by Comm. Heidinger to pay bills, seconded by Comm Miller and carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AT&T MOBILITY	33.42
BROWN & SAENGER	481.57
BRUMFIELD/AMANDA	216.58
CARDINAL HEALTH 110, INC	1,333.47
CAVETT'S CORNER CONVENIENCE	31.31
CENTERFIELD BAR & GRILL	42.45
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	576.00
CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT	1,462.50
COLEMAN/HOPE	40.00
COLEPAPERS	160.14

COMPUTER EXPRESS	1,898.00
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	1,373.33
DACOTAH PAPER CO	57.64
DAKOTA CARRIER NETWORK	875.00
DAKOTA PLAINS COOPERATIVE	531.25
DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC	65.21
DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS	1299.99
DICKEY RURAL NETWORKS	259.00
DOUBLEWOOD INN - FARGO	149.40
ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION DIV	143.63
EDGELEY MAIL	422.00
EXNER/KATHY	28.00
EXPRESSWAY INN	373.50
FFF ENTERPRISES, INC	2,185.40
FIRST STATE AGENCY, INC	12.00
FLECK/JEFF	192.00
GOOD OIL COMPANY	11.74
HANSON/LESLIE	848.48
HENRY SCHEIN	1,378.93
HENRY/ROBERT	216.00
HOME DESIGN CENTER	1,475.78
HWY 13 ONE-STOP SHOP INC	56.75
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	175.00
IWI LIGHTING	269.23
JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS	2,795.20
KETTERLING/JACKIE	171.36
KULM MESSENGER	13.86
LAMOURE CHRONICLE	2,144.86
LAMOURE DRUG STORE	249.31
LAMOURE HARDWARE	536.57
LAMOURE PARTS CENTER	19.54
LAMOURE PRINTING COMPANY	171.40
MEIDINGER/JAN	223.44
ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	2,964.33
ND NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION	349.44
ND STATE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	6,289.08
OPDAHL/DAVID	5.98
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	359.65
PURCHASE POWER	2,505.00
QUILL CORPORATION	29.82
RADERMACHER LAW FIRM	2,109.09
RAMADA BISMARCK HOTEL	102.00
RANSOM COUNTY GAZETTE	240.00
ROBBINS/KIMBERLY	497.28
ROBERTSON/TAYLOR	1,000.00
RODIN'S CORNER	26.26
SANOFI PASTEUR INC	5,984.17

ST ROSE CARE CENTER	6,572.90
STAR BUSINESS FORMS	602.69
ULMER/AL	221.90
WASTE MANAGEMENT	181.29
WEIGEL/VICTOR	22.40
WEX BANK	288.52
WHITE/MARLENE	33.76

Sheriff Fernandes' home phone has been paid by the county up until this point due to not having good cell phone service at his house. The Commissioners decided that since the County has now provided him with proper cell phone service, the County will no longer pay for his home phone effective immediately.

Commissioners reviewed pay schedules for neighboring Sheriff Departments which were presented to them by Sheriff Fernandes. There are no experienced deputies applying for the vacant deputy job. The beginning salary is lower than the average for the other counties. Comm. Heidinger will research this and report back to the Commissioners.

Auditor White presented correspondence to the Commissioners for review.

Motion to adjourn by Comm Heidinger, seconded by Comm Klein and carried.

Meeting adjourned 11:45

APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF January, 2015

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KEITH HEIDINGER, Chairman

ATTEST:

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MARLENE WHITE, County Auditor