

Southwest Regional Development Commission—Full Commission

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Vacant Pipestone County Townships*
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Bob Van Hee Redwood County Commissioners*
Rick VonHoldt City of Worthington*
Dennis Welgraven Murray County Commissioners, SRDC Vice-Chair*

SRDC Fu	III Commission Membership
One (1)	County member from each of the nine counties.
One (1)	Township member from each of the nine counties.
One (1)	Mayor/Council member from each municipality over 10,000 in population.
One (1)	Mayor/council member for each of the nine counties representing cities under 10,000.
Two (2)	School Board members.
One (1)	Lower Sioux Indian Community member.
Five (5)	Public Interest Groups

SRDC Board of Director Membership
SRDC Chairman & a regional commissioner from each county elected by the regional commissioners from each county and:

- Elected commissioner from each city over 10,000 in One (1) population.
- One (1) Elected commissioner from any county with a population of more than 20,000 but without a city over 10,000 in population nominated by the regional commissioners of that county.
- One (1) School board member selected by the Commission as a whole



Thursday, September 11, 2025 3:30 pm

Redwood Co. Economic Development 403 S. Mill St., Redwood Falls, MN

AGENDA

<u>#</u>	<u>Time</u>		<u>Page</u>
1	3:30	Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance	
2	3:31	Introductions	
3	3:35	Additions to and Approval of Agenda Action Needed: Approve Agenda	
4	3:40	Consent Agenda Items June & July Receipts & Expenditures July annual meeting minutes Great Plains Institute CERTs Sw Health & Human Services Contract City of Taunton Contract Action Needed: Approve of Consent Agenda Items	5-14 15-19 20-27 28-30 31-32 33-34
5	3:45	Finance Reports—Treasurer Anderson & Finance Director Nelson • Treasurer's Report, including bank accounts & investments Action Needed: Approval of Treasurer's Report • Administrative Report through July 2025 Action Needed: Approval of Administrative Report • Audit Committee Update Action Needed: Approval of 2023 Audit	35-36 37-38
6	3:55	City of Jasper Contract—Transportation Planner Webb Action Needed: Approval of Jasper Contract	H 1-3
7	4:00	Project Reviews—Transportation Planner Webb & Development Planner Bucklin	39 40
8	4:05	Legislative Report - Chair Miron Carney / Executive Director Trusty	
9	4:15	Guest Speaker Shannon Martin, Brownfield, MPCA	

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		Committee & Staff Panarta	
10	4:45	Committee & Staff Reports Economic Development Report—Deputy Director Weis & Planner Murphy	41-43
11	4:50	Revolving Loan Funds Report— Committee Chair Byrnes & Deputy Director Weis	44-45
12	4:55	C-RLF Resolution — Deputy Director Weis Action Needed: Approve C-RLF Resolution	46
13	5:00	DEED Resolution — Deputy Director Weis Action Needed: Approve DEED Resolution	47
14	5:05	Community Development Report— Development Planners Walker, Bucklin, and Webb	48-50
15	5:10	Transportation Report— Committee Chair VanDeVere & Development Planners Walker & Webb	51
16	5:20	Executive Director's Report—Executive Director Trusty	52
17	5:30	Chairman's Report—Chairman Langseth	
18	5:35	Reports from SRDC Commissioners Representing Local Units of Government & Public Interest Groups • Kent Bargfrede – Jackson Co. Commissioners • Miron Carney – Murray Co. Municipalities • Eric Hartman – School Board	
19	5:45	Unfinished Business	
20	5:45	New Business	
21	5:45	Other Issues	
22	5:50	 Announcements SRDC Board of Directors Meeting: Thursday, October 9 at 3:30 pm at the Office SRDC Full Commission Meeting: Thursday, November 13, 2025 Commissioner vacancies: Murray County Townships, Pipestone County T School Board Rep., Lower Sioux, and Cultural Diversity 	
23		Adjourn	

	SRDC CASH RECEIPTS SUMMARY			
ATE REC'D	RECEIVED FROM	CHECK #	AMOUNT	В
	C-RLF Loan Borrowers	ACH	20,599.71	
	Falcon Loan Borrowers	ACH	2,990.48	
	RLF Loan Borrowers AJS Family Corp-Easy Ride CRLF June payment	ACH 4341	22,679.39 1,013.75	J K
	UofM-Certs Admin	1012054240	475.04	K
	Nobles Co - Current/Delinquent taxes and PACE	ACH	58,641.69	
	Cottonwood Co-Current/Delinquent taxes and PACE	31314	46,211.59	_
06/05/25	Jackson Co-Current taxes and PACE	110241	35,090.19	ŀ
	Redwood Co - Current/Delinquent taxes and PACE	ACH	41,286.34	_
	Renville Co - Current/Delinquent taxes and PACE	ACH	1,524.53	
	SRDC-April RMEB admin	61131	1,315.00	
	Lincoln Co-Explore SW MN appropriation Murray County-Current/Delinquent taxes and PACE	26231 177309	1,500.00 36,214.23	_
	Slayton Chamber-Copies	4533	25.00	_
	M.Cerda-Nena's Bar & Grill PACE orig and closing costs	4381	262.38	
	Lincoln Co-current/delinguent taxes and PACE	26212	19,386.46	_
	MN Dept of Ag - Meat Train & Retain	ACH	2,231.07	,
	MC Draft Horse show-copies	1619	48.00	ŀ
	SRDC-Explore SW MN May admin	61139	106.25	
	UofM-Certs Admin	1012058317	11,248.42	_
	Rock Co-Current/Delinquent taxes	109887	24,195.71 46.106.51	_
	Lyon Co - Current/Delinquent taxes Rock Co-Explore SW MN appropriation	109985	1,500.00	_
	SWMHP-Fin/Sec, Monthly bills, lease payment	35320	5,719.29	
	ACE-May copies	56364	240.45	
	ACE-Jan, Feb, Mar admin	56365	14,506.25	_
06/23/25	Lincoln Co-Solid Waste admin	26391	1,720.00	ŀ
	Auto Nation-CRLF loan pay-off	cash	8,634.19	
	Pipestone Co-Current/Delinquent taxes and PACE	39526	18,504.25	
	MN Dept of Commerce - State Comp. Grant	ACH	12,450.32	
	Lyon Co-Comp Plan & Camden Park admin	179673	2,400.00	
	SRDC-April & May FDC Admin ACE-April & May Admin	61158 56395	932.70 14,322.50	_
	Minnwest Bank - PACE Electric - Savings Interest	Per Bank	16.12 129.44	_
	Minnwest Bank - PACE EE-RLF - Savings Interest Minnwest Bank - Falcon Dev - Savings Interest	Per Bank Per Bank	129.44 16.85	
	First Independent Bank - Savings interest	Per Bank	72.83	_
	Jackson Savings & Loan - Adm Savings interest	Per Bank	21.49	ŀ
	United Prairie - Jackson - Adm Savings Interest	Per Bank	1.56	Ţ,
	Minnwest Bank - RMEB Savings interest	Per Bank	96.47	
	Minnwest Bank - RLF Savings interest	Per Bank	743.62	,
	Minnwest Bank - Adm Savings interest	Per Bank	861.28	,
	Minnwest Bank - PACE SEP - Savings Interest	Per Bank	12.49	,
	Minnwest Bank - PACE ARRA - Savings Interest	Per Bank	33.27	
	Minnwest Bank - CRLF Savings	Per Bank	339.77	,
	Minnwest Bank - EDA Savings	Per Bank	F 15	-
06/30/25	Minnest Bank - Explore SW MN	Per Bank	5.19	,

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	C-RLF Loan Borrowers	ACH	20.349.71	_
	Falcon Loan Borrowers	ACH	2,990.48	_
	RLF Loan Borrowers	ACH	22,679.39	
07/07/25	MN Dept of Commerce - EECBG May 2025	ACH	79.84	·
	Anderson Larson-Iverson Tree Farm RLF loan closing fees	14727	1,029.00	ŀ
	Anderson Larson-Iverson Tree Farm RLF loan closing fee for UCC filing	14733	20.00	
	UofM-CERTS admin	1012063458	2,291.22	_
	AJS Family Corp-CRLF loan payment St of MN-Explore SW	4324 27534526	1,013.75 4.000.00	
07/07/25	Heron Lake Mini Mart-PACE loan closing fees	2504	393.50	
	SMSU-Annual Meeting	22091	36.00	
	M.Koets-Annual Meeting	19347	18.00	_
07/14/25	V.Halter-Annual Meeting	7282	18.00	
	G.Short-Annual Meeting	7991	36.00	_
	P.Haynes-Annual Meeting	1821	18.00	
	SRDC-Explore SW admin	61176	106.25	
	MN Dept of Commerce - State Comp. Grant	ACH	8,167.68	
	Freeborn Co-PACE Payment City Adrian-EDA grant admin	101079	6,336.60 1,250.83	
	MCECI-3months rent	24851 1227	249.00	
	SWMHP-Bldg lease/Fin&Sec/Monthly bills	35361	6,437.06	_
	State of MN - MNDOT	ACH	7,500.00	_
	Swanson Construction-refund insurance rec'd from roof	559778	24,706.86	
	Yolanda Isabel Barahone/Nena's Bar & Grill-FDC loan closing fees	cash	501.99	
07/28/25	Carlson Automotive-PACE loan closing fees	1230	798.74	
	Jackson Co-current taxes & Jackson RLF (\$35)	110833	531.11	
	Redwood Co - 2025 Wetlands Settlemant	ACH	934.52	
	S.Crowley-purchase old laptop	1369	100.00	
	M.Nelson-purchase old laptop	1286 56433	100.00	
	ACE-copies ACE-Sec/Fin June 2025	56435	91.80 3,122.76	
	SRDC-May & June PACE Outreach	61200	1,251.40	
	SRDC-May & June PACE Admin	61201	4,100.00	
	Minnwest Bank - PACE Electric - Savings Interest Minnwest Bank - PACE EE-RLF - Savings Interest	Per Bank Per Bank	7.58 121.79	
	Minnwest Bank - PACE EE-RLF - Savings Interest Minnwest Bank - Falcon Dev - Savings Interest	Per Bank	13.61	
	First Independent Bank - Savings interest	Per Bank	72.89	
	Jackson Savings & Loan - Adm Savings interest	Per Bank	20.80	
	United Prairie - Jackson - Adm Savings Interest	Per Bank	1.56	
	Minnwest Bank - RMEB Savings interest	Per Bank	90.85	
	Minnwest Bank - RLF Savings interest	Per Bank	764.18	
	Minnwest Bank - Adm Savings interest	Per Bank	935.40	
	Minnwest Bank - PACE SEP - Savings Interest	Per Bank	12.81	
07/31/25	Minnwest Bank - PACE ARRA - Savings Interest	Per Bank	33.78	
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CD062525 R	900	6/25/2025		REED/REDG loans final payment June 2025	16,858.36	6/25/2025
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PRS061225	06122	6/12/2025	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 6/12/2025	571.99	6/12/2025
PRS061225	06122	6/12/2025	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 6/12/2025	1,716.02	6/12/2025
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PRS061225	06122	6/12/2025	Kimberly Murphy	Employee: MurphyK; Pay Date: 6/12/2025	1,935.91	6/12/2025
PRS061225	06122	6/12/2025	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 6/12/2025	1,449.40	6/12/2025
PRS061225	06122	6/12/2025	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 6/12/2025	161.63	6/12/2025
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PRS061225	06122	6/12/2025	Jayme I. Trusty	Employee: TrustyJ; Pay Date: 6/12/2025	2,988.29	6/12/2025
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PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	1,416.47	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	17.92	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Melissa Nelson	Employee: MansonM; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	2,140.24	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Kimberly Murphy	Employee: MurphyK; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	1,685.30	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	1,665.77	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	57.37	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	31.28	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	20.87	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Jayme I. Trusty	Employee: TrustyJ; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	2,988.29	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Jason L. Walker	Employee: WalkerJ; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	2,464.04	6/26/2025
PRS062625	06262	6/26/2025	Christopher S. Webb	Employee: WebbC; Pay Date: 6/26/2025	1,860.34	6/26/2025
APS062625	06302	6/30/2025	Craig Rubis	Craig Rubis 3/8/25 to 6/20/25 Meetings	100.00	6/30/2025

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APS062625	06302	6/30/2025	Craig Rubis	Craig Rubis 3/8/25 to 6/20/25 Meetings	214.20	6/30/2025
APS062625	06302	6/30/2025	Rick Von Holdt	Rick Von Holt 5/8/25 Meeting	20.00	6/30/2025
APS062625	06302	6/30/2025	Rick Von Holdt	Rick Von Holt 5/8/25 Meeting	58.80	6/30/2025
APS062625	06302	6/30/2025	Robert J. Byrnes	Bob Byrnes 6/5/25 and 6/12/25 Meetings	20.00	6/30/2025
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APS060525	61123	6/5/2025	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	56.20	6/5/2025
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APS060525	61125	6/5/2025	Grants Management Systems	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	40.00	6/5/2025
APS060525	61126	6/5/2025	Larkin Hoffman	Larkin Hoffman Mar+Apr 2025	4,500.00	6/5/2025
APS060525	61127	6/5/2025	Luverne Area Chamber	Explore SW: UPS shipping of coasters	195.75	6/5/2025
APS060525	61128	6/5/2025	One Office Solution	Meter reading 4/25/25 to 5/19/25	227.22	6/5/2025
APS060525	61129	6/5/2025	Redwood Valley Technical Sol	Annual web hosting plan, SSL cert, & Global Edge	350.00	6/5/2025
APS060525	61130	6/5/2025	Slayton EDA	EDA Lease June 2025	4,848.63	6/5/2025

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APS061225	61133	6/12/2025	Above the Fold	Headlight Herald Public Hearing Notice	47.39	6/12/2025
APS061225	61134	6/12/2025	Chandler Co-Op	Chandler Coop May 2025	54.67	6/12/2025
APS061225	61135	6/12/2025	Jason Nielsen	Jason Nielsen: RLF Mtgs 5/12/25 + 6/5/25	100.00	6/12/2025
APS061225	61136	6/12/2025	Northwest Gas	NW Gas 4/24/25 - 5/22/25	37.25	6/12/2025
APS061225	61136	6/12/2025	Northwest Gas	NW Gas 4/24/25 - 5/22/25	55.86	6/12/2025
APS061225	61137	6/12/2025	Pipestone Publishing Company	Pipestone Publishing Public Hearing Notice	46.73	6/12/2025
APS061225	61138	6/12/2025	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 6/1/25 to 6/30/25	30.51	6/12/2025
APS061225	61138	6/12/2025	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 6/1/25 to 6/30/25	45.76	6/12/2025
APS061225	61139	6/12/2025	SRDC	Explore SW May 2025	106.25	6/12/2025
APS061225	61140	6/12/2025	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank Visa closing date 6/1/25	1,128.71	6/12/2025
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APS061225	61141	6/12/2025	Tollefson Publishing	Rock Co Star Herald Public Hearing Notice	59.63	6/12/2025
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APS061825	61149	6/18/2025	Trevor Rosenbrook Construction	Replace window, repair doors & fascia	1,170.55	6/18/2025
APS061825	61149	6/18/2025	Trevor Rosenbrook Construction	Replace window, repair doors & fascia	1,755.84	6/18/2025
APS062625	61150	6/26/2025	Abila	Abila Multiple Clouds 6/26/25 to 7/25/25	878.87	6/26/2025
APS062625	61151	6/26/2025	Bluepeak	Bluepeak 6/24/25 to 7/23/25	59.99	6/26/2025
APS062625	61151	6/26/2025	Bluepeak	Bluepeak 6/24/25 to 7/23/25	60'39	6/26/2025
APS062625	61152	6/26/2025	Jeremy D. Janssen	Jeremy Janssen 5/7/25 + 6/19/25 Meetings	20.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61153	6/26/2025	John Hay	John Hay 6/20/25 Meeting	25.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61154	6/26/2025	Kevin Leopold	Kevin Leopold 5/7/25 + 6/20/25 Meetings	20.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61155	6/26/2025	Kurt Richardson	Kurt Richardson 6/5/25 RLF Meeting	20.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61156	6/26/2025	Marilyn Samuelson	Janitorial services June 2025	328.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61156	6/26/2025	Marilyn Samuelson	Janitorial services June 2025	472.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61157	6/26/2025	Redwood County Recorder	CRLF loan fees: Iverson Tree Farm, recording fee	46.00	6/26/2025
APS062625	61158	6/26/2025	SRDC	Falcon Expenses - Apr-May 2025	932.70	6/26/2025

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CD062525 Af	Aflac 6	6/25/2025		Aflac June 2025	37.26	6/25/2025
CD062525 Af	Aflac 6	6/25/2025		Aflac June 2025	130.26	6/25/2025
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APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	SW MN Housing Partnership	Kristie Blankenship 7/10/25 Meeting	09'06	7/31/2025
APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	Mark A Haberman	Mark Haberman 7/10/25 Meeting	20.00	7/31/2025
APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	Mark A Haberman	Mark Haberman 7/10/25 Meeting	86.10	7/31/2025
APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	Paul Langseth	Paul Langseth 7/10/25 Meeting	20.00	7/31/2025
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APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	Richard Anderson	Rick Anderson 7/10/25 Meeting	20.00	7/31/2025
APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	Richard Anderson	Rick Anderson 7/10/25 Meeting	49.00	7/31/2025
APS072925	07312	7/31/2025	Ronald Kottke	Ronald Kotke 7/10/25 meeting	20.00	7/31/2025
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CD071525 W	9	7/25/2025		June 2025 Wex Fees	25.75	7/15/2025
APS070925	61162	7/9/2025	Awards Plus, Inc.	Annual Mtg Awards - Project of the Year	54.00	7/9/2025
APS070925	61163	7/9/2025	City of Slayton	City of Slayton 5/27/25 to 6/26/25	24.41	7/9/2025
APS070925	61163	7/9/2025	City of Slayton	City of Slayton 5/27/25 to 6/26/25	26.45	7/9/2025
APS070925	61164	7/9/2025	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	56.20	7/9/2025
APS070925	61164	7/9/2025	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	13.20	7/9/2025
APS070925	61165	7/9/2025	David R. Samuelson	Mow	80.00	7/9/2025
APS070925	61165	7/9/2025	David R. Samuelson	Mow	120.00	7/9/2025
APS070925	61166	7/9/2025	Dianne Crowley	Dianne Crowley 7/30/24 to 4/22/25 contract hours	212.50	7/9/2025
APS070925	61167	7/9/2025	The Edgerton Bakery, LLC	Annual Meeting: Cookies	48.00	7/9/2025
APS070925	61168	7/9/2025	Grants Management Systems	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	100.00	7/9/2025
APS070925	61168	7/9/2025	Grants Management Systems	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	40.00	7/9/2025
APS070925	61169	7/9/2025	Luverne Area Chamber	Explore SW: 2 Explore SW MN Branded tablecloths	269.81	7/9/2025
APS070925	61170	7/9/2025	National Insurance Services	Cyber insurance - 6/26/25 to 6/26/26	3,463.77	7/9/2025
APS070925	61171	7/9/2025	Northwest Gas	NW Gas 5/22/25 to 6/24/25	13.66	7/9/2025
APS070925	61171	7/9/2025	Northwest Gas	NW Gas 5/22/25 to 6/24/25	20.49	7/9/2025
APS070925	61172	7/9/2025	One Office Solution	Meter reading, copy paper	394.35	7/9/2025
APS070925	61173	7/9/2025	Quill Corporation	Bath tissue, black ink, Kleenex	153.55	7/9/2025
APS070925	61173	7/9/2025	Quill Corporation	Bath tissue, black ink, Kleenex	44.58	7/9/2025
APS070925	61174	7/9/2025	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 7/1/25 to 7/31/25	30.51	7/9/2025
APS070925	61174	7/9/2025	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 7/1/25 to 7/31/25	45.76	7/9/2025
APS070925	61175	7/9/2025	Slayton EDA	EDA Lease July 2025	5,003.67	7/9/2025
APS070925	61176	7/9/2025	SRDC	Explore SW June 2025	106.25	7/9/2025
APS070925	61177	7/9/2025	Stoneberg, Giles & Stroup, PA	Temple Rock (RLF) legal fees; half of total invoice	1,970.75	7/9/2025

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APS073125	61201	7/31/2025	SRDC	May + June 2025 Planner	4,100.00	7/31/2025
APS073125	61202	7/31/2025	SW MN Housing Partnership	Reimb from ins pmt for roof	12,600.50	7/31/2025
APS073125	61203	7/31/2025	Wipfli, LLP	Policy+Proc Manual & Cost Alloc Rev progress bill	14,209.83	7/31/2025
CD071725 B	BCBS8	7/20/2025		BCBS August 2025	13,480.51	7/20/2025
Report Total					149,498.90	



SRDC FULL COMMISSION MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

HIAWATHA LODGE, PIPESTONE

JULY 10, 2025

MEMBERS Chairman Paul Langseth, Commissioners Rick Anderson, Carrie PRESENT: Bendix, JoEllen Benson, Leah Bittner, Kristie Blankenship, Miron

Carney, Dan Delaney, Lori Grant, Donna Gravley, Mark Haberman, Rod Hamilton, Eric Hartman, Chris Hollingsworth, Steve Kellen, Ron Kottke, Tiffany Lesmeister-Knott, Dennis Madison, Jeff Moen, Craig Rubis, Sherri Thompson, Mic VanDeVere, Rick Von Holdt, Dennis Welgraven

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioners Kent Bargfrede, Carol Biren (excused), Bob Byrnes

(excused), Pam Cooreman (excused), Lyndon Johnson (excused), Bob Paplow (excused), Jenny Quade (excused), David Sturrock (excused),

Bob Van Hee (excused)

GUESTS PRESENT: Chuck Ackman, Luke Greiner, Val Halter, Pat Haynes, Grady Holtberg,

Myron Koets, Stephanie LeBrune, Nathan Polfliet, Jeanne Poppe, Gene

Short, Marge Short, Ross Wastvedt

STAFF PRESENT: Executive Director Jay Trusty, Nadya Bucklin, Sheila Crowley, Jodi

Klein, Melissa Nelson, Kathy Schreiber, Jason Walker, Chris Webb and

Robin Weis

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Paul Langseth called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/APPROVAL

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Hartman and seconded by Commissioner Carney

to approve the agenda as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion

Carried.

COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Gravley and seconded by Commissioner Von

Holdt to approve the appointment of Rod Hamilton to represent Economic

Development. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

MINUTES

M/S/P

Motion made by Commissioner Hollingsworth and seconded by Commissioner Welgraven to approve the May 8, 2025 Full Commission and the June 12, 2025 Board of Directors meeting minutes as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

FINANCE REPORT

Treasurer Anderson referred Commissioners to the May Revenue & Expenditures report and the Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2025, showing bank accounts and fund designations. There were no questions.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Hartman and seconded by Commissioner VanDeVere to approve the May revenue and expenditures report and the treasurer's report as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-24, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Finance Director Nelson went over the Administrative Report through the end of April 2025. She pointed out some line items. There were no questions.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Hartman and seconded by Commissioner Carney to approve the administrative report as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-24, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Finance Director Nelson went over the FY26 Fund Balance Designation. There were no questions.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Bittner and seconded by Commissioner Lesmeister-Knott to approve the FY26 Fund Balance Designation as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-24, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Finance Director Nelson went over the FY26 Indirect Cost Plan. There were no questions.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Delaney and seconded by Commissioner Hartman to approve the FY26 Indirect Cost Plan as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-24, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Finance Director Nelson presented the FY26 Resolution Designation Depositories. There were no questions.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Carney and seconded by Commissioner Bittner to approve the FY26 Resolution Designation Depositories as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-24, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

GUEST SPEAKER

Luke Greiner, Labor Market Analyst, MN Department of Employment and Economic Development reviewed the Economic Trends in Region 8.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Legislative Committee Report

Legislative Chair Carney gave an update on the MN Legislative session along with the special session. He reviewed the 2-year budget that was passed in the special session.

Chuck Ackman from Senator Klobuchar's office and Jeanne Poppe from Senator Tina Smith's office both gave an update on what's been happening at the federal level.

B. Executive Director's Address

Trusty gave his annual review of the past year at the commission and how we are planning for the future.

2025 PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Bill and Kelly Bolt - Bolt's Lake Benton Grocery Store was awarded the project of the year award. The Bolt's have utilized the SRDC's PACE program for energy efficiency upgrades along with technical assistance from staff to write a grant for the Good Food Access Program Equipment and Physical Improvements Grant. They received full funding for their meat and dairy cases upgrade project. The Bolt's bought the grocery store that was on the verge of closing, in 2020. This fills a great need in the community and pulls in customers from the surrounding communities. They are working on adding a coffee shop/gathering place for the community.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In compliance with the Commission's By-Laws, an appointed Nominating Committee comprised of Commissioners Brynes, Gravley, and VanDeVere met and discussed recommendations for the following SRDC Officers: Chair (two-year term), Vice-Chair (two-year term), Secretary (one-year term), and Treasurer (one-year term).

Executive Director Trusty called for nominations for Chair. Commissioner Paul Langseth was nominated as Chair.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Welgraven and seconded by Commissioner VanDeVere that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Paul Langseth as Chair for a two-year term. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Chair Langseth called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Welgraven was nominated for Vice-Chair.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Gravley and seconded by Commissioner Hartman that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Dennis Welgraven as Vice-Chair for a two-year term. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Chair Langseth called for nominations for Treasurer. Commissioner Anderson was nominated for Treasurer.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner VanDeVere and seconded by Commissioner Carney that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Rick Anderson as Treasurer for a one-year term. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Chair Langseth called for nominations for Secretary. Commissioner Hartman was nominated for Secretary.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner VanDeVere and seconded by Commissioner Gravley that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Eric Hartman as Secretary for a one-year term. Upon vote taken: Ayes-23, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

OTHER ISSUES

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Paul Langseth referred Commissioners to the announcements included on the agenda. He asked commissioners and guests to read the FY2025 Highlights included in the packet.

SRDC Commissioner vacancies exist from Pipestone County Townships, Murray County Townships, School Board, Lower Sioux and Cultural Diversity.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Langseth adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m. followed by supper provided by Lingen Dairy.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Minutes prepared by Kathy Schreiber, Administrative Specialist.

Reviewed by: Approved by:

Eric Hartman SRDC Secretary Paul Langseth SRDC Chairman

Document No.

3395-8055-P10368

CONSULTING CONTRACT BETWEEN

THE GREAT PLAINS INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, INC. and SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

This Contract ("Contract"), is made and entered into as of the last date signed below ("Effective Date"), by and between the Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development, Inc. ("GPI"), a Minnesota based not-for-profit corporation having its principal place of business at 2801 21st Avenue South, Suite 220, Minneapolis, MN 55407 ("GPI" or "Client"), and Southwest Regional Development Commission ("SRDC" or "Contractor"), a not for profit organization, having its place of business at 2401 Broadway Ave., Suite 1, Slayton, MN 56172. GPI and Contractor are hereinafter also referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party."

RECITALS

GPI is in need of professional services to perform the tasks described below in the "Scope of Work." Contractor represents that it is in the business of providing services of the type described in the Scope of Work and agrees to perform all services described herein to the satisfaction of GPI. The scope of work in this subcontract is a subset of the project awarded to Great Plains Institute by the Minnesota Department of Health.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements set forth herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

AGREEMENTS

Term:

The term of this Agreement will commence on July 18, 2025 and will expire on December 31, 2025 unless earlier terminated pursuant to the Termination section.

Termination Without Cause. Client has the right to terminate this Agreement without cause prior to its expiration at any time with at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice, which specifies the Termination Date. If Client terminates this Agreement prior to its expiration without cause, Client will be responsible for the payment of any amounts owing to Contractor for services performed pursuant to this Agreement up to, and including, the Termination Date. Contractor will be responsible for providing all services under this Agreement up to, and including, the Termination Date, unless specifically directed otherwise by Client.

Termination for Cause. Either Party has the right to terminate this Agreement for cause if the other Party materially breaches this Agreement, and such breach is not cured within fourteen (14) days or sooner after written notice of the breach is provided to the breaching party. Any such notice will specify the material breach and the Termination Date. If this Agreement is terminated for cause, the Parties will be responsible for satisfying all requirements under this Agreement up to, and including, the Termination Date, including the provision of proper services by Contractor and the payment of any and all fees owning for such services by Client.

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Termination in the Event of Failure of Funding:

In the event of failure of source funding for this work project, Client reserves the right to terminate the contract as of the date of funding failure notice. Any unreimbursed work performed up to and including the termination date will be reimbursed upon invoice and approval of the work product by the Project Administrator.

SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor shall perform the following scope of work:

Task 1: Stakeholder review and community collaboration. Participate in and support decision-making by the Steering Committee and participating communities. Attendance at nine meetings is assumed.

Task 2: Community Stakeholder Engagement

Subtask 2.1 Host a workshop in two participating communities

Work with GPI and participating community staff to plan workshops (one per community, two times total). Planning may include location scouting, agenda creation, and identifying and inviting key community members; planning responsibilities will be divided across the project team. SRDC will help facilitate workshops, independently or in partnership with GPI. Brief GPI on existing regional issues/attitudes that may inform workshop discussions.

Subtask 2.2 Conduct interviews with key stakeholders.

Identify and invite community members with valuable perspectives to interviews. Work with GPI to develop interview questions. Conduct interviews independently or in collaboration with GPI staff. Host in-person interviews at the SRDC office if needed.

Subtask 2.3 Create draft priorities.

Work with GPI staff to synthesize engagement results and identify community priorities for a Community Benefits Agreement to accompany solar development on the DWSMA.

Subtask 2.4 Finalize community benefit priorities.

Work with GPI staff to create a sample CBA for each community tailored to feedback from community engagement. Bring knowledge of local context that may inform CBA development.

Relationship:

Contractor will, at all times, be an independent contractor and not an employee of GPI. Nothing contained herein or done in furtherance of this Agreement will cause either Party to be the agent of the other Party for any purpose whatsoever. GPI may contract with other parties for services which may or may not be similar to the services to be provided by Contractor hereunder.

As an independent contractor, Contractor will not be included in or be a part of any of GPI's employee benefits plans, nor will Contractor be covered by GPI's insurance coverage (including, without limitation, professional liability insurance). GPI will not deduct from the fees paid to Contractor any federal, state or local income,

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disability insurance, social security or other payroll taxes, payments for unemployment compensation or any other type of withholding and the reporting and payment of such taxes is the sole responsibility of Contractor. All payments made to Contractor by GPI pursuant to this Agreement may be reported to the Internal Revenue Service on Form 1099. Contractor is also solely responsible for the payment of all taxes, including, without limitation, self-employment taxes and payroll taxes, for payments from Contractor to its employees (if any), for work performed by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

Insurance:

At its own expense, Contractor will provide a Certificate of Insurance to GPI prior to executing this Agreement, evidencing that Contractor has commercial general liability insurance on an "occurrence" basis. The Certificate of Insurance shall name GPI as a certificate holder.

Subcontractors:

The manner in which Contractor will render services to GPI will be within Contractor's sole control and discretion, subject to the terms of this Agreement. In rendering services for GPI, Contractor may, in its sole discretion, decide to use the services of its own employees or subcontractor, provided that Contractor will remain primarily responsible for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement. Contractor will notify all of its employees and subcontractors performing services pursuant to this Agreement of the Contractor's obligations hereunder and will cause all such employees and subcontractors to comply with such obligations. GPI will not supervise or instruct any employees or subcontractors whom Contractor decides to retain, and Contractor will have the sole right to discipline or reassign any employees or subcontractors whom it elects to hire.

Intellectual Property:

All rights and intellectual property rights (including copyrights), in any work, including, without limitation, all plans, research results, publications, developments, reports, processes, programs, analyses, website content and other materials ("Works"), created or developed on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement will be owned exclusively by GPI as "works made for hire." To the extent any such Works are deemed not to be works made for hire, Contractor hereby assigns all rights and intellectual property rights therein to GPI. GPI will provide full credit for authorship to Contractor as appropriate. GPI reserves the right (but not the obligation), to publicize Contractor's services.

Confidentiality:

For purposes of this Agreement, "Information" means any communication, whether in oral or written form, which is made or disclosed by GPI, its officers, directors, employees or agents, to Contractor, its directors, officers, employees or agents (collectively, the "Recipients") regarding GPI's activities, strategic plans, operations, governance and/or management. Recipients shall keep confidential, shall not use for purposes other than the services contemplated in this Agreement, and shall not disclose to anyone all Information. This obligation shall survive the termination of this Agreement. This confidentiality requirement shall not apply to Information that:

- is now, or hereafter becomes, through no act or failure to act on the part of the Recipients, generally known or available to the public;
- is hereafter furnished to a Recipient or Recipients by a third party, who, to the best knowledge of the Recipient(s), is not under obligations of confidentiality to GPI, without restriction on disclosure;
- is disclosed with the prior written approval of GPI;

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- is required to be disclosed by law, court order, or similar compulsion; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such disclosure shall be limited to the extent so required or compelled; and <u>provided further</u>, that the Recipient required to disclose such Information shall give GPI notice of such disclosure and cooperate with GPI in seeking suitable protection; or
- is pursuant to or in connection with any legal proceeding involving GPI and Contractor.

Lobbying Activities:

In performing its obligations under this Agreement, Contractor will not engage in any federal, state or local lobbying activity as defined in Section 4911 of the Internal Revenue Code (or any similar state or local statute or regulation), and will not engage in any activity that would constitute participation in, or intervention in (including through the publishing or distribution of any statement), any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to), any candidate for public office within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Indemnification:

Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless GPI, its directors, officers, employees, successors and assigns, from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action, reasonable attorney's fees, costs, damages or charges, of whatsoever kind or nature, to the extent caused by the negligence of Contractor in the course of the performance of this Agreement.

Limitation of Liability:

GPI will not be liable to Contractor for any incidental, indirect, special or consequential damages of any kind arising out of this Agreement or the relationship between GPI and Contractor, including, without limitation, loss of profit. The provisions of this section will survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement.

Assignment:

Neither Party may assign this Agreement or any of its rights, interests or obligations hereunder, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any purported assignment in violation of the foregoing will be null and void <u>ab initio</u> and of no force or effect. This Agreement will be binding upon, and will inure to the benefit of, Contractor and GPI and their respective heirs, estate, legatees, personal and legal representatives and permitted successors and assigns.

Compliance with Law:

Each Party agrees that it will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, treaties and conventions and, to the extent applicable, the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

Governing Law:

This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota without regard to its conflict of laws principles. Any dispute between the parties relating to this Agreement will be resolved solely in the state or federal courts located in Minnesota.

Complete Agreement and Amendment:

This Agreement constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between GPI and Contractor and supersedes all prior proposals (oral or written) and all other communications between GPI and Contractor

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relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may only be amended, or any provision waived, by written agreement executed by each Party.

Notices:

All notices and other communications pursuant to this Agreement must be in writing, addressed to the Parties at the applicable address set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement (or such other address as a Party may from time to time specifically designate in writing), must be sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier and will be deemed given on the date delivery is first accepted or refused.

Reporting:

The Contractor will file a quarterly update report via email in conjunction with each invoice, following project administrator's guidelines, to the project administrator as listed below briefly describing the work plan's tasks undertaken for the invoice time period and any associated expenses.

Contractor agrees to assist GPI by responding in a timely way to any requests for reports with respect to the funds disbursed under this Agreement. Contractor agrees to participate in any calls and meetings with a GPI representative about the use of funds disbursed under this Agreement.

Payment for Services:

Total fees for the Scope of Work described in this Agreement are not to exceed \$12,000.00 including any related travel and/or meeting expenses. Reimbursable travel expenses include economy airfare, hotel, meals (not to exceed \$68.00 per day per person) and ground transportation to and from the airport, the hotel or conference facility. All travel shall be at the request or upon approval of the project administrator. Receipts are required for all reimbursements.

Quarterly invoices for labor and reimbursement shall reference this Agreement and document number, be addressed to the project administrator, and sent via email. Invoices shall separately detail the names and number of hours worked for each task by each person. Client should receive Contractor invoices and accompanying required documentation by the 10th of the month for that quarter. Payment will be forwarded on Net 30 terms, and contingent upon availability of funds at GPI. If third party funding for this work should fail, Client reserves the right to terminate this contract as outlined in the Termination Clause.

The final payment will be made upon delivery and acceptance of the final work product.

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Jason Walker

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Contact Information for Contractor:

2401 Broadway Ave. Suite 1

Project Administrator: Sydne Turske Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development 2801 21st Ave. S., Suite 220 Minneapolis, MN 55407 sturske@gpisd.net 612-315-1247

Slayton, MN 56172 jasonw@swrdc.org 507-836-1642

Contract Coordinator:
Klara Droessler
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development
2801 21st Ave. S., Suite 220
Minneapolis, MN 55407
accounting@gpisd.net
612-400-6293

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To Be Completed by CONTRACTOR:

Company Name: Southwest Regional Development Commission

Tax I.D. #: 41-1235045

Under penalties of perjury, Contractor certifies the following:

1. Certify that the Tax I.D. # Contractor provides is correct

Electronic Funds Transfer Information:

Great Plains Institute pays invoices electronically. Providing the following information will expedite payment of your invoice. If you prefer to call us with the information, please contact either the Project Administrator or Contract Coordinator listed above.

Organization/Company Name: Southwest Regional Development Commission

Bank Name: Minnwest Bank

Bank Routing Number:091915845

Account Number: 1406694109

Account Type (checking, savings): Savings

Org/Company Contact: Melissa Nelson

Org/Company Email Address: melissan@swrdc.org

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made an written below.	nd entered into this Contract as of the last date
CONTRACTOR:	
SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISS	SION
By:	Date: 21 July 2025
Its: Executive Director	
CLIENT:	
THE GREAT PLAINS INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE	EDEVELOPMENT, INC.
By: Rolf Nordstrom By: Rethardmon (1/12), 2025 C1785 C077	Date:
Name: Rolf Nordstrom	
Its: President and CEO	

University of Minnesota

Quick - Contract for Professional Services

This agreement is entered into by and between the Regents of the University of Minnesota, a Minnesota constitutional corporation, and contractor listed below.

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Dispatch Via Print

Contractor #: 0000013607 SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMM	Date 6/2/2025	Tax Exempt # 8029894
2401 BROADWAY STE 1 SLAYTON MN 56172	Payment Terms Net 30	Vendor Type Other (Govt, NonProfit, etc)
	Requestor Dawn Horner (E) udab280@umn.edu	Phone 218/463-0291

Federal Contract Funding? No

EXTENSION REGL CTR 200 S O'CONNELL ST STE 500 MARSHALL MN 56258 Ros	awn Annette Homer BDP - Statewide 07 Third St NE - Suite 102 oseau MN 56751

The sole and exclusive Terms and Conditions for this Contract for Professional Services are at: policy.umn.edu/sites/policy.umn.edu/files/contracts/ogc-sc501p.docx

The University objects to, and rejects, all other terms and conditions contained in any document provided by the Contractor at any time. By starting work, the Contractor accepts the University's terms and conditions, statement of work, and any accompanying attachments included with the Contract.

If Yes appears after the Federal Contract Funding section on this Contract, the Contractor will be contacted and required to provide additional reporting information to fulfill the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FARs).

Questions? Contact the University of Minnesota Purchasing Services at: purchase@umn.edu.

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

ne	Item / Description	Quantity	UOM	Unit Price	Extended Amt
	Ambassadors project	1.00	LOT	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
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TOTAL OBLIGATION:

The University's total obligation to Contractor under this agreement, including compensation for goods, services and reimbursable expenses, shall not exceed **\$8,000.00** without the prior written approval of the University.

ABOVE CONTRACT IS ELECTRONICALLY APPROVED BY UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.



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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND SOUTHWEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

This Agreement is entered into by and between the Southwest Regional Development Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "SRDC", and the Southwest Health and Human Services, herein referred to as the "SWHHS".

I. Contract Agreement

- A. The work program shall include:
 - The SRDC will provide technical assistance regarding implementation of Active Living Plans and Safe Routes to Schools Plan (currently there are thirteen plans), including professional communications services.
 - o Technical assistance may be in the form of assistance in prioritization of goals/objectives, providing training, conducting community presentations, or assisting with additional funding opportunities.
 - o Communications assistance could include, but is not limited to, creating social media posts, press releases, document designs, web pages and communications plans. The SRDC will take guidance on the scope, timing and type of communications needed from SWHHS.
 - o The SRDC will be responsible to attend meetings for schools and communities as the need and interest arises. SWHHS will continue to collaborate with the SRDC to determine where technical assistance time is needed with current partners and communicate that need.
 - 2. The SRDC will collaborate with SWHHS on identifying and providing outreach to schools and communities that may wish to complete Safe Routes to School or Active Living Plans.
 - 3. The SRDC will coordinate projects with SWH HS and provide such information as is necessary to complete projects in a timely manner.
- B. The work elements specified in this contract shall be completed between November 1, 2025 and October 31, 2026, unless the contract period is extended by mutual agreement between the parties of this contract.
- C The SRDC will attend by phone, video conference or in person at least two of A Healthier Southwest's Community Leadership Team meetings to provide group TA, education regarding community active living and progress reports.

II. Financial Participation

- A. The SRDC shall make available a planner and a Communications Specialist of competent training and experience to accomplish the assigned tasks and projects. Professional services are provided at \$100 an hour for Planner technical assistance. These hourly rates include normal support costs. Other charges directly reimbursable to the SRDC by the SWHHS include printing and mileage at the SRDC's established rate of reimbursement.
- B. The total contract cost for the project attributed to SWHHS will not to exceed \$2,000 including expenses.

. Payment for Services Performed

Payment of funds to the SRDC by the SWHHS for services performed shall be made following submission by the SRDC of a monthly invoice requesting funds for costs incurred. The invoice shall be submitted to:

Jennifer Nelson

Southwest Health and Human Services

3001 Maple Road

Slayton, MN 56172

IV. Records and Documentation

- A. <u>Accounting</u>. The SRDC shall be responsible for keeping records which disclose the time spent on the project along with travel or printing costs.
- B. Reports. The SRDC shall provide written monthly progress reports to SWHHS according to the schedule established.
- C. <u>Hold Harmless:</u> SWHHS agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the SRDC against any legal actions brought by any personal entity whatsoever arising out of or claimed to be arising out of performance of either party under this agreement for services.

v. Miscellaneous

- A. The SWHHS shall review all reports for compliance with its guidelines and requirements.
- B. The contract shall be subject to all pertinent state statutes and regulations.
- C. The contract shall be subject to modification at any time provided there is mutual agreement between the SRDC and the SWHHS on the nature of modification.
- D. Any portion of this contract deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be held severable and shall not affect the remaining portions.

VI. Independent Contractor Status

The SRDC is to be and shall remain an independent contractor with respect to any and all work performed under this Contract. It is agreed that nothing herein contained is intended or should be construed in any manner as creating or establishing the relationship of co-partners between the parties hereto or as constituting the SRDC as the agent, representative or employee of the SWHHS or any purpose or in any manner whatsoever. The SRDC acknowledges and agrees that the SRDC is not entitled to receive any of the benefits received by SWHHS employees and is not eligible for worker' or unemployment compensation benefits under the SWHHS. The SRDC also acknowledges and agrees that no withholding or deduction for state or federal income taxes, FICA, FUTA, or otherwise, will be made from the payment due to the SRDC and that it is the SRDC's sole obligation to comply with the applicable provisions of all federal and state tax laws.

IN WITNESS, THEREOF, THE SRDC has caused this contract to be duly executed on its behalf and the SWHHS has caused the same to be duly executed on its behalf.

SWHHS	SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Authorized Official	Authorized Official
Attested By	Attested By
Date	 Date

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

BETWEEN THE

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND

CITY OF TAUNTON

This Agreement is entered into by and between the Southwest Regional Development Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "SRDC", and the City of Taunton.

I. Contract Agreement

- A. The work program shall include:
 - i. Facilitating a Public Forum (\$2,000): This includes scheduling, meeting preparations, facilitation, note-taking, communication, and follow-up.
 - ii. **Development of the Final Plan (\$2,500):** Covers organizing a strategic planning meeting with the City of Taunton, analyzing survey results, drafting the plan, and presenting it to the city council for approval.
- B. The work elements specified in this contract shall be completed between August 15, 2025 and December 31, 2025 unless the contract period is extended by mutual agreement between the parties of this contract.

II. Financial Participation

- A. The SRDC shall make available a planner with competent training and experience to accomplish the assigned tasks and projects. SRDC will bill based on completion of deliverables based on the rates provided in the work program in Section I(A). Other charges directly reimbursable to the SRDC by the City of Taunton include printing and mileage at the SRDC's established rate of reimbursement. Mileage and supplies are not to exceed \$300.
- B. The total contract cost for the project attributed to the City of Taunton will not exceed \$4,800, including expenses.

III. Payment for Services Performed

Payment of funds to the SRDC by the City of Taunton for services performed shall be made following submission by the SRDC of an invoice requesting funds for costs incurred. SRDC will invoice one time upon completion of the work program itemized in Section I(A). The invoice shall be submitted to:

Clerk: Rebecca Jerzak cityoftaunton@centurytel.net PO Box 337 Taunton MN 56291

IV. Records and Documentation

- A. <u>Accounting</u>. The SRDC shall be responsible for keeping records which disclose the time spent on the project along with travel or printing costs.
- B. <u>Hold Harmless</u>: The City of Taunton agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the SRDC against any legal actions brought by any personal entity whatsoever arising out of or claimed to be arising out of performance of either party under this agreement for services.

V. Miscellaneous

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IN WITNESS, THEREOF, THE SRDC has caused this contract to be duly executed on its behalf and the City of Taunton has caused the same to be duly executed on its behalf.

CITY OF TAUNTON	SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
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Authorized Official	Authorized Official
	City of Taunton Council- Motion Passed- Contract Approve (see minutes) 8/13/2025
Attested By	Attested By
Date:	Date: 8/13/2025
Attested By Date:	Attested By Date: 8/13/2025

TREASURER'S REPORT MONTH END July 31, 2025

Bank Account Information

INVESTMENTS -General Fund			APY
Bank	Amount	Due Date	Interest Rate
United Prairie Bank - Worthington	\$ 109,839.04	11/30/2025	4.10%
Jackson Federal Savings & Loan-Jackson (X5272)	110,423.23	01/20/26	3.96%
Currie State Bank-Currie (X8562)	122,909.79	09/02/25	4.25%
Currie State Bank-Currie (X0010)	104,318.21	08/26/25	4.25%
Jackson Federal Savings & Loan-Jackson (X5331)	105,492.50	12/13/25	4.16%
Jackson Federal Savings & Loan-Jackson (X5332)	105,492.50	12/13/25	4.16%
Magic Fund	100,012.92	11/27/26	4.55%

NOTE: The security deposit for the office building in the amount of \$50,000 is at the Slayton City Clerk's office at an investment rate of .75%. We currently have extra security at Minnwest Bank-Slayton and United Prairie Bank-Worthington to allow deposits above FDIC limits.

	TOTAL INVESTMENTS		758,488.19
ACCOUNTS-Dedicated and Undedicated Funds P	rogram Accounts		7/31/2025
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Checking	\$	2,910.00
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings		560,948.33
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings-F & H		15,951.07
First Independent Bank-Russell	Savings		85,895.72
United Prairie Bank-Worthington	Savings		61,138.77
Jackson Federal S&L-Jackson	Savings	7/31/2025 \$ 2,910.00 560,948.33 15,951.07 85,895.72 61,138.77 50,645.77	
	TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	\$	777,489.66

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	TOTAL DEDICATED FUNDS \$	(434,237.95)
Compensated Absences Payable		(56,502.00)
Committed to: Employee Retirement Transition		(10,973.00)
Committed to: Unemployment Claims		(53,013.00)
Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Building		(211,134.84)
Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Equipment		(91,318.26)
Assigned Funds		(11,296.85)
MN Rural Broadband Coalition		-
Regional Cultural Diversity Coalition	\$	-
Approximate Designated Funds-Projects		

	7/31/2025	7/31/2024
Total Investments	\$ 758,488.19	\$ 736,730.34
Total Cash Accounts	\$ 777,489.66	\$ 776,867.71
Total Dedicated Funds	\$ (434,237.95)	\$ (466,254.20)
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR CASHFLOW (\$ 1,101,739.90	\$ 1,047,343.85

TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS \$	1.161.762	
PACE (County Funds used to pay down on REED loan) \$88,704	_	starting December 2026
PACE Funds-(Electric Companies-funds to pay off Counties & admin)	22,359	
PACE Funds-SEP-(loans only)	40,928	379,500
PACE Funds-(loans only)	99,456	PACE Loan Funds
PACE Funds-EE-RLF	239,116	
C-EDA Revolving Loan Funds-(business loans only)	274,005	
EDA Revolving Loan Funds-(business loans only)	485,843	
EDA Planning Funds \$	54	
SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS-NonAdministrative		

TREASURER'S REPORT MONTH END August 31, 2025

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ACCOUNTS-Dedicated and Undedicated Funds Program Accounts			8/31/2025		
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Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings		489,542,11		
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings-F & H		12,368.19		
First Independent Bank-Russell	Savings		85,963,97		
Jnited Prairie Bank-Worthington	Savings		61,140.23		
Jackson Federal S&L-Jackson	Savings		50,666.58		
	TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	S	702,681.08		
Approximate Designated Funds-Projects					
Approximate Designated Funds-Projects Assigned Funds			(11,296.85)		
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Assigned Funds Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Equipment			(91,318.26) (211,134.84)		
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Southwest Regional Development Commission

Month End June 2025 Fiscal Year 2025

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Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures



Southwest Regional Development Commission

Month End July 2025 Fiscal Year 2026

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	FY26 Budget	And.	August	September	July - September	Year to Date	Under / Over Budget	% of Overall Budget Explanation/Comments
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Commerce - State Comp Grant	120,000	8,205.66			8,205.66	8,205.66	111,794.34	\$290,000 over 2 yrs 4 mths, est. start March 2024, budgeted amt is est. 6.8% to be remaining at end of FY25
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DACE loss originations	6,800	000			0.00	0.00	6,800.00	0.0% Loan int/loan orig fee mostly received in Dec and June (code 4656/4321)
Interest & Miscellaneous	21,000	13,137.01			13,137.01	13,137.01	7,862.99	62.6% Bank interest/CD interest/Loan orig. fee
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Committee Expenses	34,000	2,445.10			2,445.10	2,445.10	31,554.90	7.2% Includes Board Retreat & Orientation, and Annual Mtg
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Travel	000009	6.144.07			6,144.07	6,144.07	53,855.93	10.2% Staff Travel
Office Space Costs	15,000	700.98			700.98	700.98	14,299.02	4.7% Utilities
Postage (on hand, not including Hsg Reimb)	5,349	10.49			10.49	10.49	5,338.51	0.2%
Communications	9,219	1,098.58			1,098.58	1,098.58	8,120.42	11.9%
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lucii ance	5.917	5,858.58			5,858.58	5,858.58	58.42	99.0% Insurance dividend/Building Insurance also paid Cyber Security Ins
Supplies	8,000	345.37			345.37	345.37	7,654.63	4.3%
Computer	53,000	9,025.62			9,025.62	9,025.62	43,974.38	17.0% Includes 5 new laptops, setup and 1 docking station
Audits	33,000	00.0			0.00	0.00	33,000.00	0.0% Audits that may get done in FY26 by Kinner & Co.
Consultant/Contracted Services/Legal	6.000	14,209.83			14,209.83	14,209.83	-8,209.83	236.8% Part of the Wipfil Manual & Cost Alloc contract (was budgeted for FY25)
Dues/Memberships & Other	2,000	0.00			00.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.0% Includes MADO Coordination (\$2000 per region)
Financing Fees & Expenses	5,500	48.75			48.75	48.75	5,451.25	0.9%
Fauipment/Building Undates	10,000	0.00			00.00	0.00	10,000.00	
PACF loan interest paid	208	0.00			00.00	00.00	508.00	
Debt Service:Prin. & Int.	11,635	0.00			00.00	00.00	11,635.00	0.0% Paid in December
Building Lease Principal Pymt	23,360	2,045.68			2,045.68	2,045.68	21,314.32	8.8% Our portion of lease pymt
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Total Expenditures	1,436,060	106,198.07			106,198.07	106,198.07	1,329,801.93	1.470
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	-217,926	-52,901.47	0.00	0.00	-52,901.47	-52,901		

SRDC Commission Project Review

Walnut Grove Collection System - Eighth Street North Reconstruction

Date: September 2025 **Planner:** Chris Webb

Project Summary:

The City of Walnut Grove has applied for a construction loan under the Minnesota Clean Water Revolving Fund to support the Eighth Street North Reconstruction Project. The project addresses aging and failing sanitary sewer infrastructure along Eighth Street, from County Road 20 South to Main Street, and from Highway 14 to North Boundary Street. A televising report found that the existing sewer system has significant structural deficiencies, including cracked pipes, broken connections, faulty joints, and blockages. To restore reliable service and protect the environment, the city will replace existing sewer mains with polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe and upgrade sanitary manholes with pre-cast concrete manholes.

Alternatives Considered:

The city reviewed several alternatives: cured-in-place pipe lining, as well as leaving the system as-is. These options were deemed less effective compared to full reconstruction, which provides the most reliable long-term solution.

Environmental Review:

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) determined that an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) is not required. An Environmental Summary was prepared, noting that dust, sediment, noise, and vibration will be mitigated through best management practices. Construction work will be limited to daytime hours to reduce impacts on nearby neighborhoods and wildlife.

Staff Time: 1 Hour

Southwest Regional Development Commission Project Review

Agenda Item: Meeting Date: September 11, 2025

Project Name: City of Ruthton, Water Tower Replacement Project - USDA Rural

Development - Water and Environmental Programs Project (WEP)

Project Description:

The City of Ruthton is seeking financing through USDA Rural Development for their water tower rehabilitation project – a Water and Environmental Programs (WEP) Project. The total cost of the project is \$1,979,000.

The City of Ruthton has received \$600,000 for this project from the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant and is seeking the rest (\$1,379,000) from USDA Rural Development.

Staff Comments:

- This water tower project is part of a larger water/sewer infrastructure project in Ruthton, that will involve some sewer lining and looping of fire hydrants.
- The preliminary engineering report for the project is currently on the list for an intergovernmental review.
- The water tower project was approved to move forward separately from the rest of the infrastructure project, because of the smaller scope of the project and the need for timely use of the funding from the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant.

Project Review Time: 1 hour

Income to the SRDC for this Review: \$0

Reviewer: Nadya Bucklin, Development Planner

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2025

CEDS| EDA PLANNING

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

The current CEDS (2022–2027) is available at: https://www.swrdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/CEDS-2022-2027.pdf EDA requires each region to update its CEDS every five years, with SRDC's next update due by **December 31, 2026**. If you are interested in serving on the CEDS committee, please contact SRDC staff.

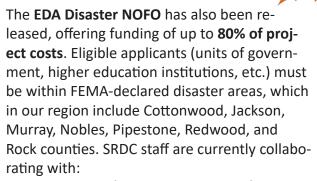
SRDC's EDA planning grant application, originally due **February 17, 2025**, was withdrawn at the direction of Chicago regional EDA staff and resubmitted to better align with the new federal administration. We recently received confirmation that our award will be accepted, retroactive to **April 1, 2025**. This grant provides up to \$70,000 annually, or \$210,000 over the three-year planning period.

EDA PLANNING

EDA's investment priorities have recently been updated through reauthorization and now focus on:

- Critical Infrastructure
- Workforce Development
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Economic Resiliency
- Manufacturing

More details are available at: https://www.eda.gov/funding/programs



- City of Wilder (and City of Windom) wastewater sewer system
- City of Jackson industrial park expansion
- City of Pipestone industrial park expansion
- •Minnesota West equipment and/or facility upgrades

In addition, SRDC continues to support the **City of Adrian's funded EDA PWEAA grant** for an electric substation. The grant covers **s**, with SRDC providing administrative and financial services as a liaison between the City of Adrian, DGR Engineering, and the EDA.

Finally, MADO economic development staff are now meeting regularly. The last meeting was held August 13, with the next scheduled for September 16. A key discussion item will be the new MADO DevelopMN Dashboard.

The Minnesota Department of Employment & Economic Development (DEED) will host an informational session in Heron Lake on September 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. Topics:

- CDBG (Community Development Block Grant)
- LDO (Local Development Organizations)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2025

CEDS| EDA PLANNING

INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

EECBG – Energy Planning for Small Communities

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program provides funding to small communities (cities or counties with populations under 15,000) to support strategies that reduce energy use, cut fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency. There is no local match requirement, and the program is open to all cities in our region, as well as Cottonwood, Jackson, Lincoln, Murray, Pipestone, and Rock counties.

SRDC received \$99,959.78 in EECBG funding, with 10% allocated for administration. Communities may apply for up to \$20,000 per project for eligible activities such as resiliency plans, energy audits, and engineering studies.

- Two agreements (each \$20,000) have been approved with the **Cities of Slayton and Pipe-stone.**
- An additional inquiry was received this reporting period regarding financing for a tiling project.

Committees & Regional Initiatives

Southwest Minnesota Youth Committee
 Focus: Career/technical education and work-

force awareness. Last meeting: August 7, 2025

Next: November 6, 2025

Southwest Regional Transportation Coordinating Council (RTCC)

SRDC represents economic development on the council. Last meeting: September 2, 2025

Next: December 2, 2025

Events & Outreach

- AURI Tour Staff attended the June 24, 2025 tour at Ash Grove Dairy, highlighting renewable natural gas operations.
- Partners in Ag Innovation Staff attended the June 17, 2025 event in Willmar, focusing on agricultural innovation.

CAREER, CHILDCARE & HOUSING INITIATIVES

Career Expos

September 23, 2025

Worthington (Minnesota West)

September 24, 2025

Marshall (Red Baron Arena, relocated from SMSU due to flood damage)

SRDC staff will assist with the "Career is Right" session in Worthington and host an interactive booth at both events showcasing career opportunities in community and economic development.

Friends in the Field

Quarterly meetings to support agricultural and rural development initiatives.

Last meeting: July 9, 2025

Next meeting: October 8, 2025

• Childcare

Upcoming childcare-focused events:

- Foundations of the Future: Childcare in Economic Development October 23, 2025 (First Children's Finance)
 - Redwood County Childcare Forum October 28, 2025

Additionally, a childcare survey for Redwood County parents, businesses, and providers was recently launched to gather local input.

Housing

Recent housing-related efforts included:

- Listening session facilitated by the Federal Reserve Bank
- Revive 2030: Partners in Progress Community Dialogue (Sioux Valley Energy)
- **Follow-up discussions** with Sioux Valley Energy were held on August 27, 2025.

Contact

For questions,

contact: **Robin Weis, Deputy Director** 507-836-1638 | robin@swrdc.org

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

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USDA & FOOD SYSTEM INITIATIVES

Good Food Access Program Grants

SRDC staff assisted several regional small businesses in applying for the Good Food Access Program Equipment and Physical Improvements Grant. Both applicants received 100% of their requests:

- Bolt's Grocery Store (Lake Benton) –
 \$70,120 to replace outdated refrigerated meat and dairy cases with larger, energy-efficient models. This project will expand fresh product offerings (including Minnesota-raised meats and dairy) while lowering operating costs.
- Ivanhoe Supermarket (Ivanhoe, MN) –
 \$70,000 to replace produce and meat refrigeration displays, ensuring long-term food quality and consistent storage.

Heron Lake Mini Mart – MPCA Grant Application
Staff re-submitted a Next Generation Refrigeration Grant application on behalf of Heron Lake
Mini Mart. The project would replace a failing
walk-in freezer, cooler, compressor, and condenser. New equipment will restore normal operations, expand inventory (meat, dairy, eggs, ready-to-eat items), and reduce energy costs. An October 28,
2024, energy audit confirmed significant potential savings through improved insulation and cooling efficiency.

Environmental Improvement Loan Applications SRDC is also working with two small businesses to apply for the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's 0% Small Business Environmental Improvement Loan.

Ongoing Food System Work

Staff continue to identify and pursue funding opportunities to strengthen the regional food system.

SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA MEAT PROCESSOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) awarded SRDC \$250,000 through the Meat Processing Train & Retain Grant Program to support small- and medium-sized meat and poultry processors with hiring, training, and retention.

- Year Two Progress
 - 7 individuals have participated in On-the-Job Training (OJT) with support from the Southwest Minnesota Private Industry
 - Happy Halal Meats (Willmar, MN) has hired
 4 individuals for OJT in partnership with
 Central Minnesota Jobs and Training.
 - Ridgewater College has one student transferring from the Agriculture Program into the Meat Cutting Program this fall.

This initiative continues to strengthen the regional workforce pipeline for meat processing, addressing a critical need in Southwest Minnesota.



REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF) REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2025





The RLF Committee consists of five members and meets as needed. It oversees both the **Traditional RLF** and the **COVID-19 RLF (C-RLF)** programs.

Interest Rates

SRDC RLF projects are financed at 75% of prime, in compliance with federal RLF regulations.

Applications

The fillable application (used for both programs) and the Requirements Checklist (currently being updated to reflect both RLF and C-RLF) are available online: SRDC RLF Application

Funds Available (as of August 2025)

• Traditional RLF: \$511,966.30

• C-RLF: \$330,528.31

Given the current fund balance, staff may recommend considering an **interest rate reduction incentive**.

- A \$36,250 loan in Pipestone County has been approved (not yet closed).
- The most recent loan, \$90,000, closed with a Cottonwood County business.
- Note: **C-RLF funds remain federalized** until seven years have passed.

Presta – New Financial Software

Implementation of **Presta** is underway, replacing the outdated **GMS system**. As of the **September 1 ACH cycle**, all payments were successfully processed in Presta. Staff anticipate significant time savings through automation features.

Site Visits & Storytelling

Site visits are required every three years but are conducted more frequently as needed. Annual business tax documents are collected for files. These visits also include communication audits and interviews to capture success stories. Spotlights can be found here

The **C-RLF plan revision** was submitted in July. At this Full Commission meeting, a resolution will be considered to complete the approval process with EDA.

Contracted RLFs Supported by SRDC

- Jackson County RLF
 - Four active loans
- Approximately \$210,000 available for lending
 - Heron Lake RLF (HLRLF)
- Funded through **CDBG** (Community Development Block Grant)
 - Focus: economic development within a

20-mile radius of Heron Lake

- SRDC assists with GMS entry and amortization schedules as needed
- Funds are available for businesses with gap financing needs
 - Falcon Development Corporation (FDC)
 - Focus: economic development within a

30-mile radius of Heron Lake

- Funds are **not federalized** (Davis-Bacon does not apply to construction projects)
- Board has **6 members** (7 maximum) Last meeting: August 6, 2025

Next: November 5, 2025

Approximately \$9,500 available (assuming a pending \$40,000 loan closes as planned)

More information: https://www.swrdc.org/
revolving-loan-funds/





PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2025



PACE financing is available to small businesses, agri-businesses, and eligible non-profits to support energy-saving improvements. Please help spread the word to property owners interested in lowering their energy usage.

• Current interest rate: Prime – 3% (minimum 3%)

Funds Available (as of August 2025)

PACE EE-RLF: \$188,943.06PACE ARRA: \$91,629.67PACE SEP: \$40,928.21

These balances do not include projects that have not yet drawn their full approved funds, or a recently closed \$40,000 solar project in Freeborn County.

Note: One PACE loan is currently in default due to nonpayment of 2024 property taxes and the first half of 2025 property taxes.

PACE Committee

The PACE Committee meets as needed, often alongside Rural Minnesota Energy Board (RMEB) meetings.

• Members: Metz, Wildermuth, Wachal, Van-DeVere, Paap

Last meeting: August 26, 2025

Energy Audits

Energy audits provide valuable insights for property owners and often serve as the first step toward cost-saving improvements. Contractor estimates and an energy audit are the two initial requirements for PACE financing.

Referrals are commonly made to RETAP, MnTAP, CEE, or EnergySmart. The MN Department of Commerce is working to expand access to energy auditors.

RMEB County Payback

In 2020, **14 RMEB** counties each **contributed \$6,336** to reduce the interest burden of 3% financing through REED, enabling the PACE program to continue. **Repayments to counties will begin December 2026**.

PACE Success Stories

Recent examples can be found here:

• John Regier Farms

https://www.swrdc.org/spotlight/harnessing-solar-power/

• Pohlman Pallets

https://www.swrdc.org/spotlight/craftingsuccess-the-story-of-pohlman-pallets-and-thesustainable-business-behind-it/

The updated **PACE application and checklist** is available here: RMEB PACE Application

Contact

For questions regarding PACE or energy audits, please contact:

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A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Southwest Regional Development Commission is an Economic Development District under the provisions of Title IV of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Regional Development Commission received EDA assistance to establish a Cares Act Revolving Loan Fund (C-RLF); and

WHEREAS, the Revolving Loan Fund Committee and the Board of Directors of the Southwest Regional Development Commission have reviewed the performance of the C-RLF since inception and believe to the best of its knowledge that the C-RLF is being managed in accordance with the program requirements relative to the area's adjustment strategy.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwest Regional Development Commission certify to EDA that 1) the C-RLF Plan is consistent with and supportive of the area's current economic adjustment strategy, and 2) the C-RLF is being operated in accordance with the policies and procedures contained in the C-RLF Plan, and the loan portfolio meets the standards contained therein.

Adopted by the Southwest Regional Development Commission this 11th day of September, 2025.

Paul Langseth, Chairman Southwest Regional Development Commission

Jayme Trusty, Executive Director Southwest Regional Development Commission

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, through its Office of Small Business and Innovation, the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) is seeking proposals from individual organizations, regional coalitions, and state-wide entrepreneurial support service providers to deliver no-cost small business development and technical assistance services to entrepreneurs and small business owners in rural Minnesota, with a particular focus on underserved populations, including individuals who are Black, Indigenous, people of color, veterans, people with disabilities, LGBTQ+ individuals, and people with low-incomes.

WHEREAS the delivery of these services will support the start-up, growth, and success of Minnesota's entrepreneurs and small business owners, and will facilitate an economic environment that produces job growth and supports the economic success of Minnesota individuals, businesses, and communities.

WHEREAS Southwest Regional Development Commission wishes to partner with Mid-Minnesota Development Commission to provide no-cost technical assistance to historically underserved entrepreneurs and small business owners throughout a combined 13-county region (MMDC: Kandiyohi, McLeod, Meeker, and Renville Counties. SRDC: Cottonwood, Jackson, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, and Rock Counties).

WHEREAS Mid-Minnesota Development Commission and Southwest Regional Development Commission are seeking \$320,000 in Small Business Assistance Partnerships Program grant funding (\$160,000 per year for a two-year period), from DEED, to deliver this no-cost technical assistance.

WHEREAS the request for proposals indicates the Small Business Assistance Partnerships Program grant review committee will prioritize proposals that demonstrate committed matching funds equivalent to 50% or more of the funding request, and that state funds cannot count toward this match.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwest Regional Development Commission authorizes staff to respond to the Small Business Assistance Partnerships Program request for proposals, released by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, in partnership with Mid-Minnesota Development Commission, by submitting a joint proposal in pursuit of a Small Business Assistance Partnership grant to provide no-cost technical assistance to historically underserved entrepreneurs and small business owners throughout a combined 13-county region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Southwest Regional Development Commission is committed to providing half of the non-state matching funds needed to be competitive for this project, up to \$40,000 per year for a two-year period (\$80,000 total), and that this required local share will be made available upon grant award and is not currently encumbered in any way that would preclude its use toward this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Southwest Regional Development Commission authorizes the Executive Director, Deputy Director, Commission Chair, or, in the Commission Chair's absence, the Commission Vice Chair, to execute the aforementioned grant agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development. Attest:

SRDC Chair	Date
SRDC Executive Director	 Date

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Southwest Solid Waste Commission

The Commission met on **July 28, 2025**. Discussion included:

- Modifications to the 10-Year Plan based on feedback from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) (presented by SRDC Executive Director Jay Trusty)
- Regional program highlights
- Legislative updates

The next regular meeting is scheduled for **September 22**, **2025**.

ENERGY

Rural Minnesota Energy Board (RMEB)

- Met July 27, 2025.
- Clean Grid Alliance presented on wind turbine setbacks. RMEB voted unanimously to support changing from the 3x5 rotor diameter setback to 1.1 times total height.
- Next meeting: September 22, 2025.

State Competitiveness Funding

 With many IIJA and IRA federal grants paused or cancelled, SRDC is shifting focus to help communities plan for future energy, efficiency, and resilience opportunities.

Contact us if you would like us to visit your community to hear about your challenges.



DWSMA (Drinking Water Supply Management Area) Project

- Supporting solar development within drinking water protection areas.
- Partnership with MDH, GPI, and others to evaluate benefits of renewable power and sustainable land use.
- SRDC's role: coordinate/facilitate work shops in 1–2 selected areas and convene cohort groups.

LAND USE

Lyon County Comprehensive Plan

- Draft of ~100-page plan distributed to county staff for review.
- Next steps: review/edit, host October open house, and finalize for county board approval by year end.

Taunton Strategic Planning

- Agreement signed with City of Taunton.
- Survey released; community meeting planned for October 8, 2025, at 5:30 PM, Taunton Senior Center.

City of Jasper – Zoning Ordinance Update

- City Council approved proposal for SRDC to update zoning ordinance.
- Contracted work scheduled for 2026.

Nobles County Comprehensive Plan

- Agreement finalized in May; organizational meeting held in June.
- Kickoff event planned for fall 2025.

Marshall Master Parks Planning

- Initial outreach conducted at National Night Out and Marshall Area Farmer's Market in August.
- Next steps: September outreach tabling events, followed by focus groups and interviews in Oct-Nov 2025.

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ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

Biodigester Tour

On August 21, SRDC and CERTs hosted a Biodigester Tour with stops at the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute (AURI) Bioindustrial Innovation Center in Waseca and the Hometown BioEnergy Facility in Le Sueur. Attendees included members of the SW CERTs Steering Committee, RSDP work groups, RMEB, the Solid Waste Commission, and state representatives Thomas Sexton (District 19B) and David Baker (District 16B). Participants toured AURI's pilot-scale biodigester, research equipment, and Renewable Natural Gas project, followed by a visit to Hometown BioEnergy's large-scale biomass facility, which processes local agricultural and food wastes into renewable electricity for the Minnesota Municipal Power Agency.

Solar for Community Resilience on DWSMAs SRDC will assist with community engagement in a scaled-down project focused on solar energy and drinking water management supply areas (DWSMAs). The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) are working with one or two communities in Southwest Minnesota to develop plans for solar projects that enhance rural water system resilience while addressing nitrate contamination. Potential pilot sites include Adrian, Rock County, Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water (Holland Well Field), and the Lindstrom Wellhead Protection Area in Murray County. SRDC will receive \$12,000 for this effort.

City of New Ulm Energy Assistance Project
The City of New Ulm received an MPCA Climate
Action grant to support energy efficiency upgrades for households in a low-income census tract. Minnesota Valley Action Council (MVAC) will lead installations, while Region Nine Development Commission (RNDC) and CERTs provide outreach support. Engagement activities will begin this fall, with funding available through June 2026.

St. James Climate Smart Ambassadors Cohort
CERTs staff are guiding a St. James Climate
Smart group through the CERTs Ambassador
certification process. Community workshops
are scheduled for September 22 and 29, featuring training videos, discussions, and project
planning. The program equips community members with tools and knowledge to launch local
clean energy and efficiency projects.

Great Plains Institute

- Carolyn Foundation Project

SRDC is subcontracting with GPI on a \$30,000 project (Aug 2025–Dec 2026) to identify high-priority community benefits from renewable energy development. SRDC will engage local stakeholders and participate in statewide PUC permitting process discussions.

PV Success Workshops

As part of a McKnight-funded CERTs initiative, SRDC staff supported solar workshops in Houston and Nobles Counties, with another scheduled in Long Prairie (Dec 2025). These workshops help communities and landowners understand the benefits and process of solar development.



Touring the Hometown Bioenergy facility Le Suer.



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Facility in Le Sueur.

SE Regional Coordinator, Jennifer Lindahl, in front of the Biogas storage bubbles at Hometown Bioenergy



Hometown Bioenergy



Inside the silage dumping bay at Hometown Bioenergy

Marshall Master Parks Plan

As part of gathering feedback on the City of Marshall's Master Parks Plan, community engagement was conducted at National Night Out and the Marshall Area Farmer's Market, two well-attended local events that provided opportunities to connect with residents in a relaxed and informal setting. Participants were invited to share feedback on what park amenities they would like to see in the future and identify their favorite city park. The input collected at these events offered valuable insight into community priorities, helping to highlight which existing parks are most valued and what improvements or new features residents feel would enhance the overall city park system.





CERTs/SRDC Biodigester Tour

On August 21, members of SW CERTs, RSDP work groups, RMEB, and the Solid Waste Commission toured two innovative energy sites: the AURI Bioindustrial Innovation Center in Waseca and the Hometown BioEnergy

At AURI, participants learned about pilot-scale biodigesters, ag-based product innovation, and a Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) project. The tour then moved to Hometown BioEnergy, an 8 MW biomass facility that converts silage and food waste into renewable electrici-







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TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The SRDC's TAC hosted a meeting on Monday, July 14 at 11:00 am. The July TAC Meeting covered MnDOT District 7 & 8 Ten Year Captial Highway Investment Plan (CHIP) Plans. These plans outline MnDOT's expected road and bridge projects from 2026-2035. The committee also heard a short presentation from the University of Minnesota's Center for Transportation Studies on the topic of rural roads and how customized asphalt mixes can extend use cycles. Learn more at the following link:

https://www.cts.umn.edu/news-pubs/news/2024/may/asphalt

AREAS TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIPS (ATP)
ATP 7 will hold its next meeting on Friday, October 17 at 10 AM in Mankato.

ATP 8 will hold its next meeting on **Friday, October 3 at 10 AM in Willmar**.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

E-Bike Rental Program at End-O-Line Park in Currie: Planner Webb worked with Murray County Staff and SWHHS SHIP Staff to facilitate a new e-bike rental program at End-O-Line County Park in Currie. Box Car Wind awarded \$4,000 to Murray County and SWHHS awarded \$4,500 to this project.

Portable Counters Available: If you or someone in your area is planning to apply for MnDOT or other funding for a trial project, consider requesting a portable counter from the SRDC Office. These counters provide valuable information and data on current trail users that can be very beneficial for grant applications and other planning efforts. Contact Planner Webb for more information: chrisw@swrdc.org



RDO Transportation Planner's Group: Planner Webb hosted the Quarterly Planner's Group in Marshall on August 12 & 13. Event highlights include a Pedestrian Counter Installation Demonstration and a Downtown Walking Art Tour guided by Marshall Mayor Bob Byrnes and Marshall EDA Director Lauren Deutz. The next meeting will be in November.



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Lamberton/Red Rock Central Safe Routes To School Planning Assistance Grant: SRDC Staff have completed the Lamberton/RRC Safe Routes to School Plan. Special thanks to SWHHS SHIP, Lamberton City Staff, and local residents and students that contributed to the plan. The completed plan can be viewed on the SRDC website: https://www.swrdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/MnSRTS_PlanningReport-Lambertson-2025.pdf

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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Melissa and I continue to work on reviewing the **Finance Policy** Manual draft provided by Wipfli. With the changes of some of the sections from FASB to GASB standards, we are about 2/3rds of the way through. We will not be quite ready for September full commission, but will give an update.

The **Southwest Regional Solid Waste Plan** is in the cleaning up loose ends stage. Ben from MPCA is working with the solid waste administrators in doing a regional Goal Volume Table.

I attended a meeting here at the RDC hosted by the Minneapolis office of the Federal Reserve to discuss housing and the impacts of Fed policy. The Housing Partnership was the host and there were lenders, economic developers, HRAs and local cities in attendance. The key focus areas were interest rates and the high cost of homeowners insurance. The housing market has slowed considerably, but there has not been a corresponding decrease in prices as would usually result from a slow market. Availability of housing stock continues to be a major issue, especially in the more rural areas covered by the Minneapolis office.

At the end of July I attended the Coalition of **Greater Minnesota Cities/Greater Minnesota Partnership Conference** in Bemidji. Attendance from the southwest was sparse this year, but I had a good opportunity to visit with Luverne Mayor Pat Baustian and the folks from Commerce that we are working with. There were some preliminary legislative discussions as well, primarily focused on the lack of funding of local projects in a bonding bill and the protection of Local Government Aid (LGA) with the forecasted budget deficit.

Also in July, I attended the in-person LYFT Career Pathways Advisory Meeting. It was held in Marshall at the new SW/WC Service Co-op building. It is very nice and they were just putting on the finishing touches.

The MADO Executive Director meeting was held in Crookston in August with Region 1 (Northwest) as the host. The Directors wrapped up their strategic planning work with Cheryl Glaeser and began work on putting together some joint priority setting.

I participated in the legislative group. The top two priorities for MADO in the legislature will be continuing to pursue an increase in the dollar amount of the MNDOT contract and attempting to access some planning dollars for the RDCs similar to what CEDA procured from the legislature.

On September 3rd I am attending the Redwood County Township Association meeting in Seaforth.







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