



FULL COMMISSION MEETING

SEPTEMBER 2026

Thursday, September 10, 2026 - 3:30 p.m.

Westbrook Community Center

849 5th Street

Westbrook, MN 56183



ENERGY



LAND USE,
PLANNING & ZONING



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NATURAL RESOURCES



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Southwest Regional Development Commission—Full Commission

* Board of Directors

Commissioner	Representing
Rick Anderson	Lyon County Commissioners, SRDC Treasurer*
Kent Bargfrede	Jackson County Commissioners
Carol Biren	Health and Human Services
Leah Bittner	Redwood County Municipalities
Kristie Blankenship	Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership
Scott Blom	Pipestone County Township
Bob Byrnes	City of Marshall & RLF Committee Chair*
Miron Carney	Murray County Municipalities, Immediate Past Chair, Legislative Committee Chair*
Vacant	Lower Sioux Community
Pam Cooreman	Lyon County Municipalities
Vacant	Murray County Townships
Dan Delaney	Pipestone County Municipalities
Lori Grant	Lyon County Townships
Donna Gravley	Cottonwood County Commissioners*
Mark Haberman	Jackson County Municipalities*
Rod Hamilton	Economic Development
Eric Hartman	Region 8 School Boards* SRDC Secretary
Chris Hollingsworth	Pipestone County Commissioners*
Lyndon Johnson	Lincoln County Municipalities
Tim Jones	SW Private Industry Council
Tiffany Lesmeister- Knott	Redwood County Townships
Ronald Kottke	Cottonwood County Townships
Paul Langseth	Nobles County Townships, SRDC Chair*
Steve Kellen	Nobles County Municipalities
Dennis Madison	Rock County Municipalities*
Jeff Moen	Lincoln County Townships
Vacant	Cultural Diversity
Bob Paplow	Nobles County Commissioners
Jenny Quade	Cottonwood County Municipalities
Craig Rubis	Jackson County Townships
Vacant	Region 8 School Boards
David Sturrock	SW MN Higher Education
Sherri Thompson	Rock County Commissioners
Mic VanDeVere	Lincoln County Commissioners, Transportation Committee Chair*
Bob Van Hee	Redwood County Commissioners*
Rick VonHoldt	City of Worthington*
Dennis Welgraven	Murray County Commissioners, SRDC Vice-Chair*

SRDC Full 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:

- One (1) Elected commissioner from each city over 10,000 in 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

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AGENDA

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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	
3	3:35	Consent Agenda Items • June & July Receipts & Expenditures • July annual meeting minutes • CERTs contract Action Needed: Approve Consent Agenda Items	5-14 15-18 19-21
4	3:35	Finance Reports — <i>Treasurer Anderson & Finance Director Nelson</i> • Treasurer's Report, including bank accounts & investments Action Needed: Approval of Treasurer's Report • Administrative Report June and July 2026 Action Needed: Approval of Administrative Report • Audit Committee Update	22-23 24-25
5	3:40	Project Review – <i>Transportation Planner Webb</i> • City of Fulda Action Needed: Accept Project Review	26
6	3:45	Legislative Report – <i>Chair Miron Carney / Executive Director Trusty</i>	
7	4:00	Deep Dive – Marshall Parks Master Plan <i>Planner Webb</i>	
		<u>Committee & Staff Reports</u>	
8	4:20	Economic Development Report — <i>Deputy Director Weis & Planner Murphy</i>	27-31
9	4:25	Revolving Loan Funds Report — <i>Committee Chair Byrnes & Deputy Director Weis</i>	32-33
10	4:30	P.A.C.E. Report — <i>Deputy Director Weis</i>	34
11	4:35	Community Development Report — <i>Development Planners Walker, Bucklin, and Webb</i>	35-37

12	4:45	Transportation Report— <i>Committee Chair VanDeVere & Development Planners Walker & Webb</i>	38
13	4:50	Executive Director's Report— <i>Executive Director Trusty</i>	39
14	5:00	Chairman's Report— <i>Chairman Langseth</i>	
15	5:10	Reports from SRDC Commissioners Representing Local Units of Government & Public Interest Groups • Donna Gravley-Cottonwood Co. Commissioners • Dan Delaney - Pipestone Co. Municipalities • Rick Von Holdt – City of Worthington	
16	5:30	Unfinished Business	
17	5:30	New Business	
18	5:30	Other Issues	
19	5:35	Announcements • SRDC Board of Directors Meeting: Thursday, October 8 at 3:30 pm at the SRDC Office • SRDC Full Commission Meeting: Thursday, November 12, 2026 at 3:30 pm at the Murray County 4-H building • Commissioner vacancies: Murray County Townships, Rock County Townships, School Board Rep., Lower Sioux, and Cultural Diversity	
20		Adjourn	



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From 6/1/2026 Through 6/30/2026

Session ID	Check...	Docume...	Vendor Name	Transaction Description	Check Amo...	Effective Date
PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Nadya N. Bucklin	Employee: BucklinN; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	2,063.01	6/11/2026
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PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	1,704.81	6/11/2026
PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Sheila F. Crowley	Employee: CrowleyS; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	1,746.12	6/11/2026
PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	1,434.47	6/11/2026
PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	18.21	6/11/2026
PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	4.58	6/11/2026
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PRS061126	06112...	6/11/2026	Christopher S. Webb	Employee: WebbC; Pay Date: 6/11/2026	2,107.40	6/11/2026
PRS062526	06252...	6/25/2026	Nadya N. Bucklin	Employee: BucklinN; Pay Date: 6/25/2026	2,123.78	6/25/2026
PRS062526	06252...	6/25/2026	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 6/25/2026	2,025.45	6/25/2026
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PRS062526	06252...	6/25/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 6/25/2026	1,439.00	6/25/2026
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PRS062526	06252...	6/25/2026	Christopher S. Webb	Employee: WebbC; Pay Date: 6/25/2026	1,973.21	6/25/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Craig Rubis	Craig Rubis 5/14/26 to 6/26/26 Meetings	163.85	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Craig Rubis	Craig Rubis 5/14/26 to 6/26/26 Meetings	100.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Paul Langseth	Paul Langseth 6/2/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	104.40	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Paul Langseth	Paul Langseth 6/2/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	100.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Richard Anderson	Rick Anderson 6/11/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Richard Anderson	Rick Anderson 6/11/26 Meeting	33.35	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Rick Von Holdt	Rick Von Holdt 5/14/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Robert J. Byrnes	Robert Byrnes 6/9/26 & 6/26/26 Meeting	100.05	6/24/2026

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APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Robert J. Byrnes	Robert Byrnes 6/9/26 & 6/26/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Tiffany L. Lesmeister-Knott	Tiffany Knott 5/14/26 Meeting	105.85	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Tiffany L. Lesmeister-Knott	Tiffany Knott 5/14/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Dennis Madison	Dennis Madison 3/30/26 - 5/14/26	150.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Dennis Madison	Dennis Madison 3/30/26 - 5/14/26	37.70	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Eric A. Hartman	Eric Hartman 5/14/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	120.35	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Eric A. Hartman	Eric Hartman 5/14/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	100.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Eric A. Hartman	Eric Hartman 5/14/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Jeffrey Moen	Jeff Moen 3/2/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	150.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Jeffrey Moen	Jeff Moen 3/2/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	75.40	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Jenny L. Quade	Jenny Quade 5/14/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Lori Grant	Lori Grant 7/10/25 to 5/14/26	475.11	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Lori Grant	Lori Grant 7/10/25 to 5/14/26	450.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Mark A Haberman	Mark Haberman 6/11/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Mark A Haberman	Mark Haberman 6/11/26 Meeting	47.13	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Miron V. Carney	Miron Carney 1/21/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	550.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Miron V. Carney	Miron Carney 1/21/26 - 6/11/26 Meetings	150.00	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Pamela J. Stimpert Cooreman	Pamela Cooreman 5/14/26 Meeting	52.93	6/24/2026
APS062426	06262...	6/24/2026	Pamela J. Stimpert Cooreman	Pamela Cooreman 5/14/26 Meeting	50.00	6/24/2026
APS060326	61569	6/3/2026	City of Slayton	City of Slayton 4/27/26 - 5/26/26	63.45	6/3/2026
APS060326	61569	6/3/2026	City of Slayton	City of Slayton 4/27/26 - 5/26/26	58.55	6/3/2026
APS060326	61570	6/3/2026	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	56.50	6/3/2026
APS060326	61570	6/3/2026	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	13.20	6/3/2026
APS060326	61571	6/3/2026	Grants Management Systems...	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	100.00	6/3/2026
APS060326	61571	6/3/2026	Grants Management Systems...	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	40.00	6/3/2026
APS060326	61572	6/3/2026	Larkin Hoffman	Larkin Hoffman April - May 2026 fees	3,000.00	6/3/2026
APS060326	61573	6/3/2026	One Office Solution	Meter reading	170.68	6/3/2026
APS060326	61574	6/3/2026	Redwood Valley Technical Sol...	Annual Website hosting plan	350.00	6/3/2026
APS060326	61575	6/3/2026	Slayton EDA	EDA Lease June 2026	775.55	6/3/2026
APS060326	61576	6/3/2026	SRDC	Mar + Apr 2026 administration + planner	1,325.00	6/3/2026
APS060326	61577	6/3/2026	SRDC	Mar + Apr 2026 planner	5,400.00	6/3/2026
APS060326	61578	6/3/2026	The Computer Man, Inc.	Veeam Data Cloud Microsoft 365 per user monthly - May	26.30	6/3/2026
APS060326	61579	6/3/2026	Woodstock Communications	Jun 1 - Jun 30, 2026	74.98	6/3/2026
APS060326	61579	6/3/2026	Woodstock Communications	Jun 1 - Jun 30, 2026	74.97	6/3/2026
APS061126	61580	6/11/2026	Above the Fold	Above the Fold: Lyon Co Public Hearing Notice	45.40	6/11/2026
APS061126	61581	6/11/2026	Chandler Co-Op	Chandler Coop May 2026	82.54	6/11/2026

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APS061126	61582	6/11/2026	Forum Communications Com...	Explore: SW MN Tourism Digital dglobe.com April 2026	2,000.00	6/11/2026
APS061126	61583	6/11/2026	K&M HVAC LLC	PACE EE-RLF loan disbursement: K&M HVAC	10,750.00	6/11/2026
VOID61583	61583	6/11/2026	K&M HVAC LLC	PACE EE-RLF loan disbursement: K&M HVAC	(10,750.00)	6/11/2026
APS061126	61584	6/11/2026	Murray County Christmas Fund	Murray Co Xmas Project	500.00	6/11/2026
APS061126	61585	6/11/2026	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 6/1/26 - 6/30/26	44.99	6/11/2026
APS061126	61585	6/11/2026	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 6/1/26 - 6/30/26	30.00	6/11/2026
APS061126	61586	6/11/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM bank closing date 6/1/26	10,002.34	6/11/2026
APS061126	61586	6/11/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM bank closing date 6/1/26	58.39	6/11/2026
APS061126	61586	6/11/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM bank closing date 6/1/26	40.00	6/11/2026
APS061126	61586	6/11/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM bank closing date 6/1/26	10.50	6/11/2026
APS061126	61587	6/11/2026	The Computer Man, Inc.	Veeam Data Cloud Microsoft 365 per user monthly - April	26.30	6/11/2026
APS061126	61588	6/11/2026	Verizon Wireless	Verizon 5/2/26 - 6/1/26	42.60	6/11/2026
APS061126	61589	6/11/2026	XCEL Energy	Xcel Energy 5/5/26 - 6/4/26	245.76	6/11/2026
APS061126	61589	6/11/2026	XCEL Energy	Xcel Energy 5/5/26 - 6/4/26	163.84	6/11/2026
APS061626 AP & RLF Disb	61590	6/16/2026	Fleet Services Division	Monthly lease rent 5/1/26 - 5/31/26	766.10	6/16/2026
APS061626 AP & RLF Disb	61591	6/16/2026	Frontier Communications	Frontier 5078360034 6/10/26 - 7/9/26	481.31	6/16/2026
APS061626 AP & RLF Disb	61591	6/16/2026	Frontier Communications	Frontier 5078360034 6/10/26 - 7/9/26	893.85	6/16/2026
APS061626 AP & RLF Disb	61592	6/16/2026	KDOM Next Step Broadcasting	RLF Loan Disbursement: Next Step Broadcasting	10,000.00	6/16/2026
APS061626 AP & RLF Disb	61593	6/16/2026	NCPERS Group Life Ins.	NCPERS July 2026	64.00	6/16/2026
APS062526	61594	6/25/2026	Allen Jensen	Allen Jensen FDC 5/6/26 Meeting	25.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61595	6/25/2026	Jeremy D. Janssen	Jeremy Janssen FDC 5/6/26 Meeting	25.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61596	6/25/2026	John Hay	John Hay FDC 5/6/26 Meeting	25.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61597	6/25/2026	Kevin Leopold	Kevin Leopold FDC 5/6/26 Meeting	25.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61598	6/25/2026	Malone & Mailander	CRLF Loan Disbursement: Wilmont Fuel Stop, LLC	50,000.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61599	6/25/2026	Marilyn Samuelson	Janitorial services June 2026	472.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61599	6/25/2026	Marilyn Samuelson	Janitorial services June 2026	328.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61600	6/25/2026	Murray County Medical Cente...	12 Heartsaver CPR/AED	455.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61600	6/25/2026	Murray County Medical Cente...	12 Heartsaver CPR/AED	325.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61601	6/25/2026	Nichole Johnson	Nichole Johnson, Ind Contractor Explore SW Jan-Jun 2026	60.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61602	6/25/2026	Nobles County Auditor/Treas...	CRLF loan fees: Wilmont Fuel Stop, mortg registry tax	115.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61603	6/25/2026	Nobles County Recorder	CRLF loan fees: Wilmont Fuel Stop, recording +req for Notice	92.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61604	6/25/2026	Steven Bornhoft	Steven Bornhoft FDC 5/6/26 Meeting	25.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61605	6/25/2026	Stoneberg, Giles & Stroup, PA	Next Step Broadcasting judgment & tax lien search	79.50	6/25/2026

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APS062526	61606	6/25/2026	Southwest Minnesota Private ...	SW MN Meat Train & Retain	1,240.90	6/25/2026
APS062526	61607	6/25/2026	Tracy L. Freking	Tracy Freking FDC 5/6/26 Meeting	25.00	6/25/2026
APS062526	61608	6/25/2026	United Community Action Par...	Wages & benefits - staff to promote solar garden outreach	4,644.00	6/25/2026
CD062626 Aflac	Aflac ...	6/26/2026		Aflac June 2026	241.92	6/26/2026
CD062626 Aflac	Aflac ...	6/26/2026		Aflac June 2026	37.26	6/26/2026
CD062626 Aflac	Aflac ...	6/26/2026		Aflac June 2026	130.26	6/26/2026
CD06162026 BCBS	BCBS...	6/22/2026	BlueCross Blue Shield of MN	BCBS July 2026	14,993.57	6/22/2026
CD061126	Wex5...	6/25/2026	Wex Health, Inc.	May 2026 Wex Fees	25.75	6/25/2026
Report Total					157,742.89	

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PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Nadya N. Bucklin	Employee: BucklinN; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	2,264.43	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	2,405.95	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	477.41	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Sheila F. Crowley	Employee: CrowleyS; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	1,746.03	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	1,434.46	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	18.21	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	4.55	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Kimberly Murphy	Employee: MurphyK; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	1,786.64	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Melissa Nelson	Employee: NelsonM; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	2,322.86	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	340.24	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	1,383.27	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	55.78	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Kathleen M. Schreiber	Employee: SchreiberK; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	5.63	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Jayne I. Trusty	Employee: TrustyJ; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	3,138.39	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Jason L. Walker	Employee: WalkerJ; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	2,532.83	7/9/2026
PRS070926	07092...	7/9/2026	Christopher S. Webb	Employee: WebbC; Pay Date: 7/9/2026	1,973.21	7/9/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Nadya N. Bucklin	Employee: BucklinN; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	2,138.03	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	2,138.92	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Robin R. Weis	Employee: WeisR; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	703.27	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Sheila F. Crowley	Employee: CrowleyS; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	1,820.84	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	1,517.21	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Jodi L. Klein	Employee: KleinJ; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	9.55	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Kimberly Murphy	Employee: MurphyK; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	1,852.92	7/23/2026
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PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Jason L. Walker	Employee: WalkerJ; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	2,692.81	7/23/2026
PRS072326	07232...	7/23/2026	Christopher S. Webb	Employee: WebbC; Pay Date: 7/23/2026	2,192.72	7/23/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Craig Rubis	Craig Rubis 7/9/26 Meeting	167.20	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Craig Rubis	Craig Rubis 7/9/26 Meeting	50.00	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Jenny L. Quade	Jenny Quade 7/9/26 Meeting	50.00	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	SW MN Housing Partnership -...	Kristie Blankenship 7/9/26 Meeting	130.56	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Lyndon Johnson	Lyndon Johnson 7/9/26 Meeting	51.68	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Lyndon Johnson	Lyndon Johnson 7/9/26 Meeting	50.00	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Mark A Haberman	Mark Haberman 7/9/26	131.48	7/29/2026
APSO72926	Commissioners	7/29/2026	Mark A Haberman	Mark Haberman 7/9/26	50.00	7/29/2026

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APS072926 Commissioners	07312...	7/29/2026	Paul Langseth	Paul Langseth 7/9/26 Meeting	135.28	7/29/2026
APS072926 Commissioners	07312...	7/29/2026	Paul Langseth	Paul Langseth 7/9/26 Meeting	50.00	7/29/2026
APS072926 Commissioners	07312...	7/29/2026	Richard Anderson	Rick Anderson 7/9/26 Meeting	53.20	7/29/2026
APS072926 Commissioners	07312...	7/29/2026	Richard Anderson	Rick Anderson 7/9/26 Meeting	50.00	7/29/2026
CD071526 Sales Tax	6.26	7/15/2026		Sales Tax Q2 2026	255.00	7/15/2026
APS070826	61609	7/8/2026	Abila	Abila: Annual - multiple clouds, HR, allocation, payroll	13,323.35	7/8/2026
APS070826	61610	7/8/2026	Awards Plus, Inc.	Annual Meeting: Awards for Project of the Year	60.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61611	7/8/2026	City of Slayton	City of Slayton 5/26/26 - 6/23/26	65.52	7/8/2026
APS070826	61611	7/8/2026	City of Slayton	City of Slayton 5/26/26 - 6/23/26	60.48	7/8/2026
APS070826	61612	7/8/2026	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	58.90	7/8/2026
APS070826	61612	7/8/2026	Culligan Water Conditioning	4 bottles water, 2 bags salt, cooler rental	13.80	7/8/2026
APS070826	61613	7/8/2026	Dale Fier	Annual Meeting: Heritage Event Center rental for mtg	500.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61614	7/8/2026	DAMN Plan Coaching LLP	Annual Meeting: Speaker Kim Nagle - 2026	500.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61615	7/8/2026	David R. Samuelson	June 2026 mowing	66.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61615	7/8/2026	David R. Samuelson	June 2026 mowing	44.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61616	7/8/2026	Forum Communications Com...	Explore: SW MN Tourism Digital dglobe.com	2,000.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61617	7/8/2026	Grants Management Systems...	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	100.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61617	7/8/2026	Grants Management Systems...	Monthly license, warranty, service and support	40.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61618	7/8/2026	KDOM Next Step Broadcasting	Refund: RLF Loan Agreement Balance - Next Step Broadcasting	70.50	7/8/2026
APS070826	61619	7/8/2026	Kurt Richardson	Kurt Richardson 4.7.26 & 6.9.26 meetings	100.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61620	7/8/2026	Nichole Johnson	Nichole Johnson, Ind Contr Explore SW: Correcting pmt amt	1,440.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61621	7/8/2026	One Office Solution	Meter reading	126.81	7/8/2026
APS070826	61622	7/8/2026	PRO-AIRE, LLC	CRLF Loan Disbursement: Pro-Aire, LLC	150,000.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61623	7/8/2026	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 7/1/26 - 7/31/26	44.99	7/8/2026
APS070826	61623	7/8/2026	Schaap Sanitation	Schaap 7/1/26 - 7/31/26	30.00	7/8/2026
APS070826	61624	7/8/2026	Slayton Municipal Gas	Slayton Gas 5/19/26 to 6/18/26	72.75	7/8/2026
APS070826	61624	7/8/2026	Slayton Municipal Gas	Slayton Gas 5/19/26 to 6/18/26	48.49	7/8/2026
APS070826	61625	7/8/2026	The Computer Man, Inc.	Veeam Data Cloud Microsoft 365 per user monthly - June	26.30	7/8/2026
APS070826	61626	7/8/2026	Woodstock Communications	Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2026	74.98	7/8/2026
APS070826	61626	7/8/2026	Woodstock Communications	Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2026	74.97	7/8/2026
APS070826	61627	7/8/2026	XCEL Energy	Xcel Energy 6/4/26 to 7/6/26	320.44	7/8/2026
APS070826	61627	7/8/2026	XCEL Energy	Xcel Energy 6/4/26 to 7/6/26	213.63	7/8/2026
APS071526	61628	7/15/2026	Abila	Abila: HR - MIP definition file	937.50	7/15/2026

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APS071526	61629	7/15/2026	Chandler Co-Op	Chandler Coop June 2026	23.05	7/15/2026
APS071526	61630	7/15/2026	Fleet Services Division	Monthly lease rent 6/1/26 - 6/30/26	104.35	7/15/2026
APS071526	61631	7/15/2026	Frontier Communications	Frontier 5078360034 7/10 - 8/9/26	901.20	7/15/2026
APS071526	61631	7/15/2026	Frontier Communications	Frontier 5078360034 7/10 - 8/9/26	485.26	7/15/2026
APS071526	61632	7/15/2026	Jason Nielsen	Jason Nielsen 6/9/26 Meeting	50.00	7/15/2026
APS071526	61633	7/15/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank - closing date 7/1/26	115.15	7/15/2026
APS071526	61633	7/15/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank - closing date 7/1/26	40.00	7/15/2026
APS071526	61633	7/15/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank - closing date 7/1/26	40.00	7/15/2026
APS071526	61633	7/15/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank - closing date 7/1/26	20.00	7/15/2026
APS071526	61633	7/15/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank - closing date 7/1/26	20.00	7/15/2026
APS071526	61633	7/15/2026	TCM Bank NA	TCM Bank - closing date 7/1/26	10.50	7/15/2026
APS071526	61634	7/15/2026	The Computer Man, Inc.	Adobe Acrobat Pro (10)/Creative Cloud Plus (1) - 1 yr sub	4,204.68	7/15/2026
APS071526	61634	7/15/2026	The Computer Man, Inc.	HP EliteBook laptops: Robin & Nadya	4,826.00	7/15/2026
APS071526	61635	7/15/2026	Verizon Wireless	Verizon 6/2/26 to 7/1/26	42.60	7/15/2026
APS072226	61636	7/22/2026	City of Slayton	EECBG: City of Slayton	10,797.50	7/22/2026
APS072226	61637	7/22/2026	The Gutter Sports Bar & Burg...	CRLF Loan Disbursement: The Gutter Sports Bar	27,800.00	7/22/2026
APS072226	61638	7/22/2026	Lyon County Auditor/Treasurer	CRLF loan fees: The Gutter Sports Bar mort registry	63.94	7/22/2026
APS072226	61639	7/22/2026	Lyon County Recorder	CRLF loan fees: Gutter Sports Bar recording + req for notice	92.00	7/22/2026
APS072226	61640	7/22/2026	NCPERS Group Life Ins.	NCPERS August 2026	64.00	7/22/2026
APS072226	61641	7/22/2026	Southwest Coaches, Inc	Annual Meeting: Southwest Coaches - bus for tour	900.00	7/22/2026
APS072926	61642	7/29/2026	Association of Minnesota Cou...	AMC: 2026 Annual Conf vendor registration	1,200.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61643	7/29/2026	City of Slayton	City of Slayton - Bldg Ins 6/4/26 - 6/5/27	3,276.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61643	7/29/2026	City of Slayton	City of Slayton - Bldg Ins 6/4/26 - 6/5/27	2,184.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61644	7/29/2026	Larkin Hoffman	Larkin Hoffman May+June 2026	3,000.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61645	7/29/2026	Marilyn Samuelson	Janitorial services July 2026	472.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61645	7/29/2026	Marilyn Samuelson	Janitorial services July 2026	328.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61646	7/29/2026	Quill Corporation	Bath tissue, 3 color toner set for 555 printer	771.17	7/29/2026
APS072926	61646	7/29/2026	Quill Corporation	Bath tissue, 3 color toner set for 555 printer	47.52	7/29/2026
APS072926	61647	7/29/2026	SRDC	May+June 2026 Planner, Admin, Travel	1,758.00	7/29/2026
APS072926	61648	7/29/2026	SRDC	May-June 2026 Planner, travel	6,571.83	7/29/2026
APS072926	61649	7/29/2026	Stoneberg, Giles & Stroup, PA	Gutter Sports Bar (CRLF) judgment & tax lien search	79.50	7/29/2026
APS072926	61650	7/29/2026	Winter Title & Abstract Cos.	CRLF loan fees: The Gutter Sports Bar title insurance	100.00	7/29/2026
CD072226 Aflac	Aflac ...	7/24/2026	AFLAC	Aflac July 2026	241.92	7/24/2026

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CD072226 Aflac	Aflac ...	7/24/2026	AFLAC	Aflac July 2026	130.26	7/24/2026
CD071626 BCBS	BCBS...	7/20/2026	BlueCross Blue Shield of MN	BCBS Aug 2026	14,993.57	7/20/2026
CD072126 Wex	Wex ...	7/25/2026	Wex Health, Inc.	June 2026 Wex Fees	25.75	7/25/2026
Report Total					302,265.66	



MEMBERS PRESENT:	Chairman Paul Langseth, Commissioners Rick Anderson, Leah Bittner, Kristie Blankenship, Bob Byrnes, Miron Carney, Pam Cooreman, Dan Delaney, Lori Grant, Donna Gravley, Mark Haberman, Rod Hamilton, Lyndon Johnson, Dennis Madison, Jeff Moen, Jenny Quade, Craig Rubis, Sherri Thompson, Mic VanDeVere, Rick Von Holdt and Dennis Welgraven
MEMBERS PRESENT VIA INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGY:	None
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Commissioners Kent Bargfrede (excused), Carol Biren (excused), Scott Blom, Eric Hartman (excused), Chris Hollingsworth, Tim Jones (excused), Steve Kellen (excused), Ron Kottke (excused), Tiffany Lesmeister-Knott (excused), Bob Paplow, David Sturrock (excused), and Bob VanHee (excused)
GUESTS PRESENT:	Chuck Ackman, Tom Andries, Jessica Foley, Rebecca Gieseke, Gillund Family, Grady Holtberg, Lisa Hughes, Luke Johnson, Kim Nagle, Vince Robinson, and Gene & Marge Short
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 4:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/APPROVAL

- M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Carney and seconded by Commissioner Bittner to approve the agenda as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

COMMISSIONER RESIGNATION

- M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Grant and seconded by Commissioner Cooreman to approve the resignation of Rock County Township Representative JoEllen Benson. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Thompson and seconded by Commissioner VanDeVere to approve Commissioner Dennis Madison as the Rock County Representative on the Board of Directors. Upon vote taken: Ayes-20, Nays-0, Abstained-Commissioner Madison. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Bittner and seconded by Commissioner Welgraven to approve the May 7, 2026 Full Commission meeting minutes with one correction and the June 11, 2026 Board of Director meeting minutes. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, 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, 2026, showing bank accounts and fund designations. Anderson answered one question.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Madison and seconded by Commissioner Grant to approve the Revenue & Expenditures report and the Treasurer's report as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

Finance Director Nelson reviewed the Administrative Report through the end of May 2026. She pointed out some line items. There were no questions

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner VanDeVere and seconded by Commissioner Haberman to approve the Administrative report as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

PROJECT REVIEWS

Transportation Planner Webb presented a project review for the Skandia Wildlife Management Area Stream and Wetland Restoration project in Lake Sarah Township, Murray County.

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Gravley and seconded by Commissioner Moen to approve the Project Review as presented. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

GUEST SPEAKER

Kim Nagle, Author and Business Coach, presented on how to build stronger communities.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Legislative Committee Report

Legislative Chair Carney gave an update on the MN Legislative session. He reviewed the projects in Region 8 that received funding from the bonding bill. The Coalition of Greater MN Cities summer conference will be July 23-24 and their fall conference will be November 12-13.

Chuck Ackman from Senator Klobuchar's office and Lisa Hughes from the Department of Employment & Economic Development office both gave an update on what's been happening at the federal and state 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. This was his 25th annual meeting. He directed attendees to page 24-33 in the packet for a more in depth look at the accomplishments of the SRDC in FY2026.

C. Chairman's Address

Langseth thanked attendees for coming and for all their support to the region. He recognized staff members for their continued efforts for Southwest Minnesota.

2026 PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Jamie & Kurt Gillund – Little Explorer's Child Care Center was awarded the project of the year award for their childcare facility in Ghent, MN. This was so successful that they are currently building a facility in Minneota, MN.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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

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

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Gravley and seconded by Commissioner Welgraven that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Rick Anderson as Treasurer for a one-year term. Upon vote taken: Ayes-20, Nays-0, Abstain-Commissioner Anderson. Motion Carried.

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

M/S/P Motion made by Commissioner Langseth and seconded by Commissioner VanDeVere that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Eric Hartman as Secretary for a one-year term. Upon vote taken: Ayes-21, Nays-0. Motion Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Paul Langseth referred Commissioners to the announcements included on the agenda.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Langseth adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Minutes prepared by Kathy Schreiber, Administrative Specialist.

Reviewed by:

Approved by:

Eric Hartman
SRDC Secretary

Paul Langseth
SRDC Chairman

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Dispatch Via Phone

Contractor #: 0000013607 SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMM 2401 BROADWAY STE 1 SLAYTON MN 56172	Date 3/25/2026	Tax Exempt # 8029894
	Payment Terms Net 30	Vendor Type Other (Govt, NonProfit, etc)
	Requestor Carlee Kling (E) kling380@umn.edu	Phone 507/258-8750

Federal Contract Funding? No

Bill To: AP VOUCHER ENTRY EXTENSION REGL CTR 200 S O'CONNELL ST STE 500 MARSHALL MN 56258	Contract Administrator: Carlee Evon Kling Extension Marshall Reg Ofc 200 S OConnell St Suite 500 Marshall MN 56258 (P) 507/828-3732 (F) Melissa Birc
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Supplier: Review this document thoroughly to identify changes. Refer to original order for entire order.

Terms and Conditions of original order apply.

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

Term of Agreement: Start Date: 03/17/2026 and shall remain in effect until End Date: 06/30/2028					
Line	Item / Description	Quantity	UOM	Unit Price	Extended Amt
1	SW Reg Dev Comm	1.00	LOT	\$40,500.00	\$40,500.00

TOTAL OBLIGATION:

The University's total obligation to Contractor under this agreement, including compensation for goods, services and reimbursable expenses, shall not exceed **\$40,500.00** without the prior written approval of the University.

The University's previous total obligation to Contractor before this change was **\$20,500.00**

ABOVE CONTRACT IS ELECTRONICALLY APPROVED BY UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

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Line	Sched	Dist	Amount
1	1	1	2,818.20

Fund	Deptid	Program	PC BU	Project	Act	Account	Fin EmplID	Chartfield1	Chartfield2	CS
3014	10774		UMSPR	00117172	1	730299				

Line	Sched	Dist	Amount
1	1	2	37,681.80

Fund	Deptid	Program	PC BU	Project	Act	Account	Fin EmplID	Chartfield1	Chartfield2	CS
3014	10774		UMSPR	00117172	1	730299				

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**TREASURER'S REPORT
MONTH END July 31, 2026**

Bank Account Information

INVESTMENTS -General Fund

Bank	Amount	Due Date	APY Interest Rate
United Prairie Bank - Worthington	\$ 114,178.82	5/30/2027	3.81%
Minnwest Bank	100,000.00	02/21/27	3.50%
Currie State Bank-Currie (X8562)	126,473.79	09/02/26	3.90%
Currie State Bank-Currie (X0010)	107,343.11	08/26/26	3.90%
First Independent Bank/Intrafi (X8022 - X4763)	101,997.72	01/22/27	3.91%
First Independent Bank/Intrafi (X2281 - X4747)	101,997.72	01/22/27	3.91%
Magic Fund	100,013.53	11/27/26	4.55%

NOTE: We currently have extra security at Minnwest Bank-Slayton to allow deposits above FDIC limits

TOTAL INVESTMENTS	752,004.69
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ACCOUNTS-Dedicated and Undedicated Funds Program Accounts

		7/31/2026
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Checking	\$ 2,941.00
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings	576,936.02
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings-F & H	18,918.00
First Independent Bank-Russell	Savings	86,822.71
United Prairie Bank-Worthington	Savings	61,157.14
Jackson Federal S&L (Worthington Federal S&L)	Savings	85,532.39
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	\$	832,307.26

Committed to: Employee Transition Designation	(8,625.70)
Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Equipment	(70,000.00)
Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Building	(274,279.29)
Committed to: Unemployment Claims	(83,859.63)
TOTAL DEDICATED FUNDS	\$ (436,764.62)

	7/31/2026	7/31/2025
Total Investments	\$ 752,004.69	\$ 758,488.19
Total Cash Accounts	\$ 832,307.26	\$ 777,489.66
Total Dedicated Funds	\$ (436,764.62)	\$ (434,237.95)
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR CASHFLOW	\$ 1,147,547.33	\$ 1,101,739.90

SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS-NonAdministrative

EDA Planning Funds	\$ 53	
EDA Revolving Loan Funds-(business loans only)	479,506	
C-EDA Revolving Loan Funds-(business loans only)	96,719	
PACE Funds-EE-RLF	84,665	
PACE Funds-(loans only)	151,214	
PACE Funds-SEP-(loans only)	65,496	
PACE Funds-(Electric Companies-funds to pay off Counties & admin)	30,124	
PACE (County Funds used to pay down on REED loan) \$88,704	-	starting December 2026
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS	\$ 907,776	

PACE Loan Funds
301,375

TREASURER'S REPORT
MONTH END August 31, 2026

Bank Account Information

INVESTMENTS -General Fund

Bank	Amount	Due Date	APY Interest Rate
United Prairie Bank - Worthington	\$ 114,178.82	5/30/2027	3.81%
Minnwest Bank	100,000.00	02/21/27	3.50%
Currie State Bank-Currie (X8562)	127,697.92	09/02/27	4.00%
Currie State Bank-Currie (X0010)	108,382.07	08/26/27	4.00%
First Independent Bank/Intrafi (X8022 - X4763)	101,997.72	01/22/27	3.91%
First Independent Bank/Intrafi (X2281 - X4747)	101,997.72	01/22/27	3.91%
Magic Fund	100,013.53	11/27/26	4.55%

NOTE: We currently have extra security at Minnwest Bank-Slayton to allow deposits above FDIC limits

TOTAL INVESTMENTS	754,267.78
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ACCOUNTS-Dedicated and Undedicated Funds Program Accounts

		8/31/2026
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Checking	\$ 2,946.50
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings	498,904.43
Minnwest Bank South-Slayton	Savings-F & H	15,629.86
First Independent Bank-Russell	Savings	86,896.45
United Prairie Bank-Worthington	Savings	61,158.70
Jackson Federal S&L (Worthington Federal S&L)	Savings	85,605.03
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	\$	751,140.97

Committed to: Employee Transition Designation	(8,625.70)
Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Equipment	(70,000.00)
Committed to: Acquisition of Capital Assets-Building	(274,279.29)
Committed to: Unemployment Claims	(83,859.63)
TOTAL DEDICATED FUNDS	\$ (436,764.62)

	8/31/2026	8/31/2025
Total Investments	\$ 754,267.78	\$ 758,488.19
Total Cash Accounts	\$ 751,140.97	\$ 702,681.08
Total Dedicated Funds	\$ (436,764.62)	\$ (434,237.95)
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR CASHFLOW (	\$ 1,068,644.13	\$ 1,026,931.32

SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS-NonAdministrative

EDA Planning Funds	\$ 53	
EDA Revolving Loan Funds-(business loans only)	515,105	
C-EDA Revolving Loan Funds-(business loans only)	168,352	
PACE Funds-EE-RLF	88,332	
PACE Funds-(loans only)	154,694	
PACE Funds-SEP-(loans only)	71,366	
PACE Funds-(Electric Companies-funds to pay off Counties & admin)	36,948	
PACE (County Funds used to pay down on REED loan) \$88,704	-	starting December 2026
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS	\$ 1,034,850	

PACE Loan Funds
314,393

Account Title	June 2026 Actual	Total Budget - FY26 Revised Operating Budget	FY26 YTD Actual	Total Budget Variance - FY26 Operating Budget	% of Overall Budget	Explanation/Comments
Tax Revenue	184,234	471,544	410,359	61,185	100.00	YTD Comparison % of Budget
R9 McKnight (balance of what we rec'd upfront)	0	132,927	132,927	-	87.0%	When current taxes rec'd, pymts primarily rec'd in Dec and June
RLF Admin (Covid and Regular)	8,615	60,000	112,807	(52,807)	100.0%	Monthly amount is what was used of what we have
Contract Revenue	36,356	329,840	357,306	(27,466)	188.0%	
PACE Loan Orig/Misc	549	6,800	13,810	(7,010)	108.3%	Based on activity to date
Rental Revenue/Other Revenue	543	1,500	1,800	(300)	203.1%	Loan Orig fee mostly received in Dec & June (code 4321)
Bank Savings and CD Interest Revenue	1,673	68,340	46,403	21,937	120.0%	GL 4648, 4628
MnDOT Revenue	7,500	75,000	75,000	-	67.9%	GL 4651
					100.0%	Based on Billings - Yearly amt is \$75000, bill 3 times a year, 1st one is in Dec
Dept.Commerce Revenue.	17,398	222,790	197,422	25,368	88.6%	Certs (Regular), EECBG and State Comp. Grant
EDA Revenue	15,372	70,000	100,853	(30,853)	144.1%	Federal Share - Sept amt is for April-June 2025. Have to request quarterly payments now
PACE Loan Interest Received	1,802	12,766	22,322	(9,556)	174.9%	GL 4656, funds 70,72,73,75,76
Total Revenue	274,041	1,451,507	1,471,008	(19,501)	101.3%	
Salaries & Fringe	110,231	1,142,572	1,101,226	41,346	96.4%	Includes FY26 Salaries/Fringe (including 15% increase to Health Insurance/H.S.A.) also includes MN Pd Leave that starts Jan 2026
Travel	11,709	60,000	58,996	1,004	98.3%	Staff Travel
Committee Expenses	3,266	34,000	24,707	9,293	72.7%	Includes Board Retreat, Orientation & Annual Meeting
Postage Expenses	1,010	5,349	3,174	2,175	59.3%	not including housing reimbursement
Insurance	0	10,000	9,449	551	94.5%	Insurance Dividend/Our portion of Bldg Ins,Cyber Security Ins
Office Space Costs	637	15,000	10,464	4,536	69.8%	Utilities
Equipment/Building Updates	0	5,000	1,056	3,944	21.1%	
Communications	599	9,219	7,463	1,756	81.0%	
Printing/Publication	216	8,000	4,765	3,235	59.6%	Annual Report designed in house, sent out for printing, includes outreach items/mktg
Office Supply/Meeting Expense	120	8,000	3,959	4,041	49.5%	
Program Supply	0	0	2,330	(2,330)		Reimbursed by Contracts
Computer	502	56,000	32,506	23,494	58.0%	Includes 5 new laptops, setup and 1 docking station
Consultant/Contracted Services/Legal	6,805	24,013	21,015	2,999	87.5%	Part of the Wipfli Manual & Cost Alloc contract (was budgeted for FY25)
Audit	0	41,000	41,000	-	100.0%	Audits that may get done by Kinner & Co during FY26
Dues/Memberships/Other	0	5,000	4,085	915	81.7%	Includes MADO Coordination (\$2,000 per region)
Finance Fees & Exp	62	1,000	605	396	60.5%	Includes bank fees
Lease Payment	317	23,360	23,155	205	99.1%	Our portion of the principal payment
Debt Service-Principal/Interest	0	10,000	10,000	-	100.0%	Paid in December to the State of MN (Princ paid, but int is internal tracking)
Total Expenses	135,473	1,457,513	1,359,954	97,559	93.3%	
Revenues over Expenses	138,568	(6,006)	111,054			

Account Title	July 2026 Actual	Total Budget - FY27 Operating Budget	FY27 YTD Actual	Total Budget Variance - FY27 Operating Budget	% of Overall Budget	Explanation/Comments
						YTD Comparison % of Budget
Tax Revenue	1,442	485,000	1,442	483,558	8.33%	When current taxes rec'd, pymts primarily rec'd in Dec and June
RLF Admin (Covid and Regular)	7,344	98,000	7,344	90,656	7.5%	
Contract Revenue	30,665	524,557	30,665	493,892	5.8%	Based on activity to date
PACE Loan Orig/Misc	0	6,800	0	6,800	0.0%	Loan Orig fee mostly received in Dec & June (code 4321)
Rental Revenue/Other Revenue	875	1,700	875	825	51.5%	GL 4648, 4628
Bank Savings and CD Interest Revenue	743	68,340	743	67,597	1.1%	GL 4651
MnDOT Revenue	0	75,000	0	75,000	0.0%	Based on Billings - Yearly amt is \$75000, bill 3 times a year, 1st one is in Dec
Dept.Commerce Revenue.	8,317	112,000	8,317	103,683	7.4%	Certs (Regular), EECBG and State Comp. Grant
EDA Revenue	6,516	70,000	6,516	63,484	9.3%	Federal Share
PACE Loan Interest Received	9,843	18,000	9,843	8,157	54.7%	GL 4656, funds 70,72,73,75,76
Total Revenue	65,746	1,459,397	65,746	1,393,651	4.5%	
Salaries & Fringe	70,348	1,203,194	70,348	1,132,846	5.8%	Includes FY27 Salaries/Fringe (including 15% Increase to Health Insurance/H.S.A.) also includes MN Pd Leave
Travel	2,101	60,000	2,101	57,899	3.5%	Staff Travel
Committee Expenses	3,006	30,000	3,006	26,994	10.0%	Includes Board Retreat, Orientation & Annual Meeting
Postage Expenses	10	5,349	10	5,339	0.2%	not including housing reimbursement
Insurance	2,184	10,000	2,184	7,816	21.8%	Insurance Dividend/Our portion of Bldg Ins,Cyber Security Ins
Office Space Costs	784	15,000	784	14,217	5.2%	Utilities
Equipment/Building Updates	0	5,000	0	5,000	0.0%	
Communications	603	9,219	603	8,616	6.5%	
Printing/Publication	1,327	8,000	1,327	6,673	16.6%	Annual Report designed in house, sent out for printing, includes outreach items/mktg
Office Supply/Meeting Expense	858	8,000	858	7,142	10.7%	
Program Supply	0	0	0	-		Reimbursed by Contracts
Computer	10,143	53,000	10,143	42,857	19.1%	Includes 2 laptops
Consultant/Contracted Services/Legal	150	5,000	150	4,850	3.0%	
Audit	0	21,000	0	21,000	0.0%	Audits that may get done by Kinner & Co during FY27
Dues/Memberships/Other	0	5,000	0	5,000	0.0%	
Finance Fees &Exp	38	1,000	38	962	3.8%	Includes bank fees
County repayment for USDA REED loan	0	7,000	0	7,000	0.0%	Paid in December
Debt Service-Principal/Interest	0	10,000	0	10,000	0.0%	Paid in December to the State of MN (Princ paid, but Int is internal tracking)
Total Expenses	91,552	1,455,762	91,552	1,364,210	6.3%	
Revenues over Expenses	(25,806)	3,635	(25,806)			

Southwest Regional Development Commission Project Review

Agenda Item:

Meeting Date: September 10, 2026

Project Name: City of Fulda, Fire Hall Expansion - USDA Rural Development

Project Description:

The City of Fulda was awarded \$300,000 in Fiscal Year 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) to assist with costs associated with the City's Fire Hall Project. The funding was intended to support an expansion of the current building.

Since the initial application, the city has continued to evaluate the scope and overall cost of the proposed Fire Hall improvements. The total cost of a comprehensive fire hall project, including a potential expansion or new facility, is now estimated to be more than \$2 million. Given the significant overall project cost and the City's available resources, completing the full project at this time would present a substantial financial challenge.

As a result, the city is considering a phased approach to addressing the needs of the existing fire hall. Under this approach, the city is considering the available \$300,000 in CDS funding toward a smaller renovation project. Potential improvements could include replacement of the existing roof and upgrades to the building's HVAC system.

Staff Comments:

- There is no hard deadline for the use of these funds, but they could get "pulled" at any time by the federal government.
- Returning the money would look bad on the city for not using funding that was appropriated by congress.

Project Review Time: 1 hour

Income to the SRDC for this Review: \$0

Reviewer: Chris Webb, Transportation Planner

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

September 2026



CEDS | EDA PLANNING

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

CEDS – Our current CEDS can be found at [Current CEDS \(2022–2027\)](#). Every five years, EDA requires an updated CEDS for the region. Our next CEDS is due on **12/31/2026**. The SRDC CEDS committee covers all key regional areas and is in alignment with guidance from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Cornerstone meetings for the region were held in March and April. Individual CEDS meetings are another way that information has been gathered. Staff attended a housing forum in Granite Falls on August 11, 2026, to gain additional information from regional stakeholders. Housing was a part of the ED Pros meeting in August. The CEDS Committee will meet on September 28 at 1:30 p.m. to review the draft CEDS document. November will be our 30-day public comment period. The SRDC Board of Directors will review and consider approving the document for submission in December.



ED Pros

This group of economic development professionals last met on **August 3** at 1 p.m. to network and share information. The agenda primarily consisted of housing and financing for small businesses. These gatherings are for anyone in our region with an interest in economic development. The group will next meet on **November 2** at 1 p.m. The agenda is currently being drafted.



EDA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS



EDA Investment Opportunities

Priorities can be found at [EDA Investment Priorities](#). Priorities have recently changed with the reauthorization to include Critical Infrastructure, Workforce, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Economic Resiliency, and Manufacturing. Funding opportunities can be found at [All Funding Opportunities](#).



EDA Disaster NOFO

The EDA Disaster NOFO has been released and EDA is accepting applications. These projects can be funded at an **80% grant rate**. Eligible units of government, higher education, etc., based on [FEMA disaster declarations](#), are those within Cottonwood, Jackson, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, and Rock counties.



Potential projects include:

- 1) Minnesota West on equipment and facility upgrades
- 2) City of Jackson on an industrial park expansion
- 3) City of Mountain Lake on a transloading site



Minnesota West did receive a curing letter regarding their proposed project, estimated to cost **\$6,949,273**, with EDA funding consideration for up to **\$5,559,418**. They are currently waiting for their SHPO response and public notice requirements.



EDA – CITY OF ADRIAN ELECTRIC SUBSTATION PROJECT

SRDC continues to assist the City of Adrian on their funded EDA PWEAA grant for an electric substation. The grant award was 50% of the project cost (\$3,258,900) or \$1,629,450. The SRDC provides administrative and financial services, acting as a liaison among the City of Adrian, DGR Engineering, and the EDA. The revised site certificate has been submitted to EDA for review, the revised Transformer and circuit breaker RFP has been submitted to EDA for review, and the design for the Construction bid package is in progress. Transformer lead times continue to be lengthy, Construction completion is projected to be October 2027; however, a more accurate completion date can be estimated once the material bids have been awarded.



EECBG (ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT) – ENERGY PLANNING FOR SMALL COMMUNITIES

EECBG is a funding source for planning efforts designed to assist small communities (this includes cities or counties under 15,000 in population) in implementing strategies to reduce energy use, to reduce fossil fuel emissions, and to improve energy efficiency. There is no match requirement, and it is eligible to all cities in our region and the counties of Cottonwood, Jackson, Lincoln, Murray, Pipestone, and Rock. SRDC received \$99,959.78 of which 10% is allocated for project administration. Grants to eligible communities are maxed at \$20,000. Planning efforts could include resiliency plans, energy audits, engineering studies, etc. SRDC has received a verbal 6-month extension of this project.

The CEDS committee approved projects with four cities and one county; Slayton, Hadley, Comfrey, Pipestone, and Rock County. SRDC continues to accept applications for energy planning.



SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA YOUTH COMMITTEE:

The committee meets quarterly to gather members who support career and technical education programs and to educate students and parents about local career and training opportunities. The committee last met on 5/7/2026 and will meet again on 11/5/26.



MANUFACTURING ASSOCIATION:

Initial discussions have taken place to learn more about how a SW MN Manufacturing Association could assist our local manufacturers, including those who produce food.



RALLY YOUR REGION:

RDCs have been asked to encourage mayors and city council, county commissioners, township officials, city clerks/administrators/managers, county executive staff, K-12 superintendents and school board members, and your respective RDC boards and loan committees to attend this event. This event will take place on **September 29, 2026** to spur conversations and collaboration to cultivate new partnerships that will move education and economic development to the next level. For more information, go to [Rally Your Region is coming to Southwest Minnesota! – Southwest Initiative Foundation.](#)



RTCC (REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION COUNCIL):

SRDC serves on the council as a regional economic development leader.



NADO ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE:

This is a great learning and networking opportunity for executive directors, economic development staff, and board members. This year's conference is October 19-22 in Reno. A few sessions of interest include regional collaboration, main street development, disaster resilience, childcare, CEDS, housing solutions, AI, community benefit agreements, measurements & metrics, tribal engagement, RLF training, food systems, workforce development, and outdoor recreation economics. More information can be found at [2026 Annual Training Conference - NADO](#).



CAREER EXPOS:

Staff will be participating in the career expos, particularly the facilitation of The Career Is Right, on **September 22** at SMSU and **September 23** at Minnesota West in Worthington. SRDC will also be showcasing an interactive booth for students.



MURRAY/LYON CEO:

SRDC supports the efforts of local CEO programs including an upcoming class on **9/30** which will provide information on small business lending.



Congratulations to Southwest Initiative Foundation on 40 years!

Their theme of their events, being held in each of their 18 counties, is *For the Love of Rural*. For more information, go to [40th Anniversary - Southwest Initiative Foundation](#).



The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

recently released the 2026 Request for Applications for the Protect Community Forests for Community Resiliency grant. This opportunity focuses on the management, treatment, and removal of Emerald Ash Borer to enhance community forest health and resilience. Currently, staff are working with five communities in southwest Minnesota to support their grant applications. The deadline to submit applications is **September 14, 2026**.

FOOD SYSTEM INITIATIVES



4 MDA AGRI Meat, Poultry, Egg & Milk Grant

SRDC Staff assisted two small businesses in Southwest Minnesota to apply for the FY 2026 MDA AGRI Meat Poultry, Egg, & Milk Grant, with an application deadline of June 17, 2026.

- **Egan's Market** is seeking funding to replace its outdated scale/printer, meat saw, and hydraulic stuffers—equipment that no longer meets USDA compliance standards and poses increasing safety risks to employees.
- **Edgerton Food Center** is seeking funding to replace a meat former and two outdated coolers that have required frequent repairs and are no longer energy efficient. The new equipment will improve reliability, lower operating costs, and significantly enhance overall energy efficiency while strengthening the store's ability to serve the community.

The awards for this grant will be announced in September 2026.



5 Co-Retail Integration Grant Program

The owners of Edgerton Food Center attended the 2026 National Rural Grocery Summit in Fargo, ND and learned of an additional grant opportunity. SRDC Staff has been asked to work with the store's owners to strengthen a grant application they are writing for the Co-Retail Integration Grant Program. Awards will be announced in September 2026.

What is Co-retail?

Co-retail is a grocery retail model that acts as an incubator for local food makers. Retailers select products from licensed local producers, sell them in-store, and give 100% of sales to the maker. This strengthens product mix, adds fresh/local offerings, and boosts the local food economy.



FOOD SYSTEM INITIATIVES



1 MDA AGRI Works Grant

SRDC was recently awarded the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) Works Grant. This funding will be used to establish the SW MN Growers Connection and conduct outreach and build relationships with local sustainable farmers and food producers who are interested in collaborating to grow their businesses over the next three years. This initiative aims to establish a network of farmers and producers and create a platform for sharing information. Building connections in Southwest Minnesota will provide valuable resources, such as peer mentoring, networking opportunities, and educational support.



2 MPCA Minnesota Climate Smart Food Systems Grant

SRDC staff has applied for the MPCA Minnesota Climate Smart Food Systems (MCSFS) Statewide Prevention of Wasted Food and Food Rescue Grant. If funded, "Good Food, Less Waste – SW MN" will be developed as a regional initiative designed to reduce food waste, improve food access, and strengthen local food systems across Southwest Minnesota.



Key Strategies

- Bulk Milk in Schools
- SWMN Growers Connection (SMGC)

These strategies are intended to prevent waste at multiple points in the food chain while increasing the availability of nutritious, locally sourced foods for students, families, and community members.



3 Ellsworth Food Center – FRIDG Grant

SRDC staff provided technical assistance to the owners of the Ellsworth Food Center in applying for the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) Food Retail Improvement & Development Grant (FRIDG), which was submitted on March 10, 2026. The owners received notification on June 24, 2026, that they have been awarded \$45,000 in funding. This grant will support the purchase of refrigeration units, HVAC systems, and other commercial appliances for the new combined Ellsworth Locker/Grocery Store.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF) REPORT

September 2026

C-RLF | TRADITIONAL RLF



SRDC RLF- C-RLF and Traditional RLF

The committee consists of five members and meets as needed.
The committee covers both the COVID-19 RLF and Traditional RLF.
The committee last met on **8/4**.

Interest Rates: SRDC RLF has been financing projects using an interest rate of 75% of prime. This adheres to regulations governing RLF awards. The committee did however recently agree to consider child care applications with interest rates at the lowest possible, pending project application, etc.



Funds Available for Lending

Funds Available: RLF (as of 8-13-26) **\$514,520.75** and
CRLF (as of 8-12-26) **\$168,290.55**.

CRLF funds will remain federalized until seven years have passed.
Several projects are in the works including projects from
Redwood County, Lyon County, Murray County and Nobles County (2).



Presta: New Financial Software

Applications can be submitted via our RLF financial software,
Presta, at <https://app.letspresta.com/signup/32/85>.



Site Visits

Site visits are required every three years; however, they are done more often as the need arises. Annual business taxes continue to be gathered for files.
Site visits are combined with communication audits and interviews for storytelling. Success stories can now be found at
<http://www.swrdc.org/economic-development/revolving-loan-funds/rlf-business-spotlights/>.



CDFA Training Opportunities offered by SRDC

- **8/24**- Access to Capital
- **10/7**- Portfolio Management

REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF) REPORT

September 2026

CONTRACTED RLF



Contracted RLFs

SRDC helps with business start-ups, retentions, expansions, and financing. Additionally, SRDC assists with three revolving loan fund programs within the region and is in communication with another as of recent.



Jackson County RLF

There are five active loans. There are funds available for new projects.



Heron Lake RLF

HLRLF focuses on economic development within a 20-mile radius of Heron Lake. These are Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. There are funds available for businesses in their service area that have gap financing needs. There are funds available for lending.



Falcon Development Corporation (FDC)

Information on FDC can be found online at <https://www.swrdc.org/revolving-loan-funds/>. FDC is a local organization that focuses on improving economic development within a 30-mile radius of Heron Lake. The funds provided by FDC are not federalized, which means that Davis Bacon is not applicable to construction projects. The FDC Board has 6 members (7 is the maximum). The committee last met on 5/6/2026 with a MN DEED representative via Zoom regarding CDBG funds and Local Development Organizations. FDC has approximately \$10,000 in lending capacity at this time; however, expected shortly are two loan transfers from Heron Lake RLF as well as \$100,000 in lending capacity. MN DEED is in final approval stages of these transfers to FDC from Heron Lake RLF.



If you have questions about business lending via SRDC RLF or its contracted RLFs, please contact Robin Weis, Deputy Director, at 507-836-1638 or via email at robin@swrdc.org.

PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) REPORT

September 2026



GENERAL INFORMATION:

PACE is available to property owners of small businesses, including agri-businesses and some non-profits based on usage. Please help spread the word about PACE to property owners looking to make improvements that lower their energy usage. Interest rates for new projects are set at **3%** under Prime, with a **floor of 3%**.



PACE COMMITTEE:

The committee meets as needed, often in conjunction with RMEB (Rural Minnesota Energy Board) meeting dates. Committee members are Metz, Wildermuth, Wachal, VanDeVere, and Paap.



FUNDS AVAILABLE:

Funds are currently available in the approximate amount of PACE EE-RLF as of 8-3-26 **\$88,302.52**, PACE ARRA as of 8-3-26 **\$154,628.90**, and PACE Sep as of 8-5-26 **\$71,341.65**. These amounts do not include a recent approved solar project in Faribault County for \$150,000 that has not yet closed.



PACE DELINQUENCIES:

The Pipestone County property owner made a partial payment of their 2024 taxes but no payment for 2025 or 2026.



ENERGY AUDITS:

Energy assessments/audits are informational to property owners and may be the start to cost-saving energy improvements. Contractor estimates and the energy assessment/audit are the two first steps to PACE financing. Referrals for energy audits are often made to RETAP, MNTAP, CEE, or EnergySmart.



PARTICIPATORY LENDING:

SRDC staff and PACE committee members will be hearing more about an opportunity to partner with a MN based credit union that has been working with St. Paul Port Authority on over 120 PACE loans thus far. If this opportunity receives our approval, this would allow RMEB to finance much larger projects in the 18-county service area with a possible **1.5%** service fee.



PACE SUCCESS STORIES

A few recent success stories can be found at <https://www.swrdc.org/broadway-beauty-salon/> and <https://www.swrdc.org/tally-ho-koffiee/>. We can now receive PACE applications through an online platform at <https://app.letspresta.com/signup/32/91>.



If you have questions about the PACE or energy audits, please contact **Robin Weis**, Deputy Director, at **507-836-1638** or via email at robin@swrdc.org.



ENERGY



LAND USE, PLANNING & ZONING



SOLID WASTE & NATURAL RESOURCES



USDA REGIONAL FOOD BUSINESS CENTER



MHP EVENT

On August 12, SRDC staff assisted MN Energy Resources at a Manufactured Home Park Energy Efficiency Event at Sungold Heights in Worthington.

Sungold Heights residents were provided with free and easy-to-use DIY weatherization kits designed to help improve home energy efficiency and reduce utility costs. The kits included high-efficiency showerheads, bathroom and kitchen faucet aerators, pipe insulation, window film, door weatherstripping, water temperature card, shower timer, and caulking.

Residents also received energy-saving tips specifically for manufactured homes from CERTs, as well as information on available energy efficiency rebates and programs — including enhanced tuneup and thermostat rebates — from MN Energy Resources.

Additional regional organizations were invited to participate in the event and share their resources with the park residents. Some of the other organizations that participated were SMOC, UCAP, CoNorth, Center for Energy and Environment, and the Red Cross.



SOLAR FOR COMMUNITIES

Communities build solar schools have received funding for. They are two currently working on the installation process with IDEAL Energies.



MN Dept of Commerce Battery Energy Storage Incentives

Incentives are currently available for battery storage systems up to 50kWh paired with solar energy systems. There are two options, one for those not in Xcel Energy service area, and another for those within Xcel Energy service areas.

Incentive program for those outside of Xcel Energy service area:

- \$250 per kWh up to a \$7,000 maximum
- Reach out to your electric utility and ask if they have battery storage program with additional rebates or rate discounts

Incentive program for those within Xcel Energy service area:

Customers inside Xcel Energy's service territory may access incentives for solar plus storage systems. Xcel Energy has approximately \$3.48 million available for incentives. Eligible homes and businesses should not exceed a capacity of 50 kWh. For your participation, you will earn an upfront incentive that includes:

- \$175 per kWh of energy capacity.
- Income qualified customers: **\$370** per kWh of energy capacity.
- The upfront incentive payment is capped at **\$5,000**.



NEVI

The National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program provides funds to states to build a convenient, affordable, reliable, and equitable fast charging network for EVs across the United States. Program funds must first be used to install direct current fast chargers (DCFC) along any alternative fuel corridors (AFCs) for EV charging that had been designated by the states. After states complete the AFC build-out, they can use the remaining funds on other roadways within the state.

MnDOT is working on putting all the pieces into place to open Round 3 of NEVI funding with a request for proposal (RFP) planned for late August.

There will be up to \$41.8 Million in funding for up to 74 eligible clusters. The clusters in our region are located in Marshall, Lake Wilson, Pipestone, Balaton, Windom, St. James, and New Ulm, along Hwy 71, 75, 14, and 59. Staff is working on outreach to these communities.

NEVI Round 2 funded projects are below.

AFC	Exit	Grantee	Location	Status	Maximum grant reimbursement
I-90	12	Francis Energy Charging	1202 S Kniss Ave, Luverne, MN	Awarded Round 2	\$873,085.44
I-90	43	Kwik Trip	1755 N Humiston Ave, Worthington, MN	Awarded Round 2	\$680,535.00
I-90	73	Francis Energy Charging	120 Industrial Parkway, Jackson, MN	Awarded Round 2	\$923,949.63



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MN Dept of Commerce Battery Energy Storage Incentives

Incentives are currently available for battery storage systems up to 50kWh paired with solar energy systems. There are two options, one for those not in Xcel Energy service area, and another for those within Xcel Energy service areas.

Incentive program for those outside of Xcel Energy service area:

- **\$250** per kWh up to a \$7,000 maximum
- Reach out to your electric utility and ask if they have battery storage program with additional rebates or rate discounts

Incentive program for those within Xcel Energy service area:

Customers inside Xcel Energy's service territory may access incentives for solar plus storage systems. Xcel Energy has approximately \$3.48 million available for incentives. Eligible homes and businesses should not exceed a capacity of 50 kWh. For your participation, you will earn an upfront incentive that includes:

- **\$175** per kWh of energy capacity.
- Income qualified customers: **\$370** per kWh of energy capacity.
- The upfront incentive payment is capped at \$5,000.



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Nobles County Comprehensive Planning:

The last chapter workshop was held on Tuesday, August 25 from 5:30 - 7:00 PM in Worthington. The Steering Committee worked on the Sustainability Chapter draft and created goals for that chapter. SRDC will get a full draft of the plan to county officials for public review in mid-September, with a goal of having the completed Comprehensive Plan approved by the end of the year.



Pipestone County Comprehensive Planning:

The kick-off meeting to the Comprehensive Plan Update was held on Monday, August 31 from 5:30 - 7:00 PM in Pipestone. Plans for this fall include a community survey as well as a SOAR Analysis meeting in November.



Marshall Master Parks Planning:

We are in the final stages of putting the plan together and getting final approvals from city staff before completing a final draft.



Minneota Public Schools – Playground Fundraiser:

Planner Webb successfully prepared and submitted a \$5,000 grant application on behalf of the Minneota Public School Playground Fundraiser to the Otter Tail Power Company Foundation. The grant request will help support the school's efforts to build a new school playground, providing a valuable recreational asset for students and families in the Minneota community.



Wonder World – Klobuchar Visit:

Jason Walker and Robin Weis attended a meeting with Senator Klobuchar at the Wonder World construction site by the Slayton pool on Aug. 24. The senator listened to how local leaders came together in a short period of time to find an innovative solution to both preserve and expand childcare availability in Murray County and then toured the construction site. Also in attendance were Wonder World board members, Slayton's mayor and administrator, and two county board members at the invite-only event.



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ATPs



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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
& SRTS



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Next TAC meeting will be held on Thursday, October 8th at 2:00 PM, to build awareness of the upcoming round of MnDOT Grant solicitations.



AREAS TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIPS (ATP)

- ATP 7 will hold its next meeting on Friday, October 9 at 10 AM in Mankato.
- ATP 8 will hold its next meeting on Friday, October 2 at 10 AM in Marshall.



TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

MnDOT Active Transportation & Safe Routes To School Infrastructure Grants Announcement

MnDOT State Aid is pleased to announce the upcoming 2026 Local Active Transportation (AT) and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Infrastructure solicitations, opening September 14, 2026.

These concurrent solicitations will provide approximately \$4.8 million for AT projects and \$4 million for SRTS projects, supporting bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements for eligible local entities. While SRTS will be open statewide, AT will again be limited to Greater Minnesota outside of the 7-county Metro area.

The solicitation will begin with an optional Letter of Intent (LOI) period. Full applications may be submitted from October 26, 2026, through January 22, 2027, with project selections announced on or before May 28, 2027.

Funding awards will range from \$50,000 to \$600,000, be ready for construction in 2027 or 2028, and have a minimum useful life of 10 years.



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.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

September 2026



The beginning of the new fiscal year is always a little slow after the Annual Meeting, it is a good time for staff to take a little break and get a little family time in before the rush of Fall and the new school year.



The 10 year solid waste plan has been out for public review, comments were due to MPCA by the end of August. We are waiting to see if there is anything we need to react to before the Solid Waste Administrators take it to their respective Boards.



The Southwest Initiative Foundation is celebrating their fortieth anniversary with meetings in each of the eighteen counties that they serve. I attended the Lincoln County meeting in Tyler, and encouraged staff to attend the one nearest where they live. Kim attended the meeting in Luverne and Robin went to the one in Murray County at Painted Prairie.



The McKnight Foundation has invited the RDC Executive Directors to a convening in Duluth at the end of September where we will meet with senior leadership from McKnight and discuss how we can work together to assist the communities we serve in becoming more resilient. McKnight is covering the travel and meeting costs.



The MADO Executive Directors met in Alexandria at the end of August. Region 6E (Mid-Minnesota out of Willmar) was the host. We are trying some more centralized locations to cut down on lengthy travel, although those of us in the corners of the state are still along ways from everyone else. There was discussion with MnDOT about the upcoming Transit/Human Services Plan as well as preparation for the new funding to perform outreach and education on EV charging stations.



I attended a meeting with Congressman Finstad in Worthington around Housing and what the City of Worthington has accomplished and what the needs of the region are as a whole. As the Congressman stated, there is a big difference in the housing needs of Rochester and the housing needs of a Worthington or Chandler. Senator Weber was also in attendance and commented on the prevailing wage issue we've been working on for years and seems no closer to resolution.



I attended the Jackson County Township Association meeting in July and am scheduled to attend the Redwood County Township Association meeting on September 9th.



Since there was no Board Meeting in August we had an all-staff meeting on August 18th and went through our current and future work plans, including some work that won't begin until 2027 (which is not as far away as we might think) and lasting potentially into 2029.



The auditors are wrapping up FY 2025 and hope to be finished soon and begin working on FY 2026 which would put us back on schedule with our audits.



For more information about any of the items in this report, please contact **Jay Trusty**, Executive Director, at **507-836-1636** or via email at execdir@swrdc.org.



SRDC STAFF CELEBRATIONS

★ SEPTEMBER 2026 ★



WORK ANNIVERSARIES



Nadya Bucklin
Celebrating 3 Years

9-5-2026



Sheila Crowley
Celebrating 3 Years

9-11-2026



Chris Webb
Celebrating 3 Years

9-18-2026

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**



Robin Weis

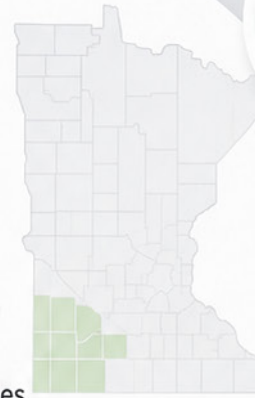
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★ Thank you for your dedication and the positive impact
you make every day for our organization and community. ★

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Partnering with communities across Southwest Minnesota

The Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) provides planning, technical assistance, and leadership to help communities grow and thrive. We work with cities, counties, townships, businesses, and community organizations to turn ideas into action, strengthen partnerships, and prepare for the future.



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