

**County of Sibley
Board of Commissioners
Meeting Proceeding
Tuesday, April 22, 2025**

The Sibley County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners' Board Room in the City of Gaylord, MN on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 9:00 AM pursuant to notice given as required by law. Members of the board present noted in Call to Order.

- 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- 3. APPROVE THE AGENDA AND ANY AGENDA ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS**

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Keith Hennen AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Keith Hennen SECONDER: Commissioner Lyle Grochow AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

1. Approve Regular Board Proceedings of 04/08/2025
2. Approve Claims as submitted
3. 1st Quarter Financial Reports
4. EFT Report
5. Appoint Lyle Grochow to the South Central Minnesota Multi-County HRA Executive Board

5. MCIT PRESENTATION

1. Richard Miehe from MCIT will present to the County Board

MCIT Risk Management Consultant, Rick Miehe, presented the Board with an update related to Sibley County. MCIT is an insurance entity, not company that provides cost-effective claims for more than 500 member. MCIT buys reinsurance for property claims. They chose to increase the per claim retention for liability reinsurance. By doing so, MCIT held the 2025 premium increase to just one percent.

Sibley County is at a mod rate of 0.798 for workers' compensation. A mod of 1.0 reflects expected claim development. A factor greater than 1.0 can increase contribution. A factor less than 1.0 can decrease it.

Every 5 years, properties over 100 years are appraised.

6. ALAN COLE, IT DIRECTOR

1. Renew Dark Trace Software Agreement for Four years (07/01/2025 to 06/30/2029) and add the Managed Detection and Response Service.

Alan Cole, IT Director, presented the Board for renewal of the Agreement with Dark Trace Software - want to add management services. Managed Detection and Response Service will monitor all internal traffic. Will stop abnormal behavior and notify IT who will investigate.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Steve Saxton SECONDER: Commissioner Peter Koch AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

7. TIM BECKER, COUNTY ENGINEER

1. Award Pavement Resurfacing Contract 2025-03 Ulland Brothers, Inc., Minnesota for \$6,986,625.19 pending final approval from MnDOT Workforce Plan

Tim Becker, County Engineer, presented the Board to award Pavement Resurfacing Contract 2025-03 Ulland Brothers, Inc. MnDOT gave approval. Contractor submitted work plan. Oil prices came in below original estimate. 18 miles of resurfacing

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Keith Hennen AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

2. Approve Professional Services Contract with SEH for engineering inspection for CP 1137, CP 1257, CP 1241, AND CP 1254.

County Engineer, Tim Becker, presented the Board to approve Professional Services Contract with SEH for engineering inspection. Bridge work began last year. Resurfacing will occur this summer. Would like to hire company to help with inspection due to employee being out for a length of time this fall. Need to be certified to do some of work, therefore, unable to replace with a maintenance worker.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Christian Lilienthal SECONDER: Commissioner Peter Koch AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

8. CITY OF GAYLORD - LETTER OF SUPPORT

1. Lake Titlow Dam Replacement Project

The Board was asked to provide a Letter of Support to the city of Gaylord for the dam replacement project at Lake Titlow. The letter will accompany the request for funding.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Steve Saxton SECONDER: Commissioner Lyle Grochow AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

9. CLOSED SESSION OF THE BOARD

1. Closed Session to consider offer for the sale of real estate under MN Statue 13D.05 Subd 3(c)(1)

Motion was made by Commissioner Koch to close the Board meeting to discuss Sibley Estates properties in Winthrop and Henderson.

RESULT: MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Keith Hennen
AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

2. Re-open from Closed Session

Motion was made by Commissioner Koch with second by Commissioner Saxton to re-open the closed session.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Steve Saxton
AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

10. PUBLIC HEARING 10:30 AM

1. Open Public Hearing for comment on the action of implementing a .5% local option sales tax

Motion was made to open the public hearing for comment on the action of implementing a 0.5% local option sales tax.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Lyle Grochow SECONDER: Commissioner Keith Hennen
AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

2. Close Public Hearing for comment on the action of implementing a .5% local option sales tax

Motion to close the public hearing was made by Commissioner Koch with second by Commissioner Grochow.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Lyle Grochow
AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

3. Approve resolution implementing a 0.5% local options sales tax for Sibley County Transportation Funding.

Tim Becker, County Engineer, presented the Board and the public with a resolution implementing a 0.5% local options sales tax for Sibley County Transportation Funding. Transportation costs for repairs and improvements continue to increase. Implementing a local options sales tax will share the costs of transportation projects with people purchasing items within the county. Sibley is one of the last counties to add sales tax because Sibley has kept tax levy low for several years.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Christian Lilienthal SECONDER: Commissioner Steve Saxton
AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

11. AL CHRISTENSEN, TRI-COUNTY SOLID WASTE

1. Letters of Support for the Blue Earth County Certificate of Need to expand Ponderosa Sanitary Landfill

Al Christensen of Tri-County Solid Waste presented the Board for a Letter of Support. The letter will be regarding Blue Earth County Requesting a Certificate of Need for the Ponderosa Sanitary Landfill.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Keith Hennen AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

2. Letter of Support for Blue Earth County capital project through MPCA

Al Christensen of Tri-County Solid Waste presented the Board asking for a Letter of Support requesting an addition building at Ponderosa Landfill to expand recycling capabilities.

RESULT:Passed MOVER:Commissioner Peter Koch SECONDER: Commissioner Steve Saxton AYES:Peter Koch, Christian Lilienthal, Keith Hennen, Steve Saxton, Lyle Grochow

12. COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Commissioner Grochow
2. Commissioner Saxton
3. Commissioner Lilienthal
4. Commissioner Koch
5. Commissioner Hennen

13. CLEARING OF CALENDARS

May 02, 2025 - McLeod-Meeker-Sibley Joint Board Workshop 10:00 AM - McLeod County Fairgrounds

May 13, 2025 - Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting 9:00 AM - Sibley County Courthouse, Commissioner's Room

May 13, 2025 - Joint Ditch Meeting JD6 (SN), JD1 (NS), and JD 20 (SN) 1:30 Sibley County Courthouse Lower Level (Lilienthal, Koch, Grochow, Saxton)

May 26, 2025 - Holiday Observance - Sibley County Courthouse, Service Center Closed

May 27, 2025 - Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting 9:00 AM - Sibley County Courthouse, Commissioner's Room

May 27, 2025 - Board of Commissioners' Workshop following regular meeting of the Board

June 10, 2025 - Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting 9:00 AM - Sibley County Courthouse, Commissioner's Room

14. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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