



Dakota County

Community Services Committee of the Whole

Minutes

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1:00 PM

**Conference Room 3A, Administration
Center, Hastings**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Slavik, Commissioner Atkins, Commissioner Halverson, Commissioner Droste, Commissioner Workman, Commissioner Holberg and Commissioner Hamann-Roland

Also in attendance were Heidi Welsch, County Manager; Lucie O'Neill, Assistant County Attorney; Gil Acevedo, Assistant County Manager, Community Services; Marti Fischbach, Assistant County Manager, Community Services; and Colleen Collette, Administrative Coordinator.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by the Chair, Commissioner Mike Slavik.

Commissioner Laurie Halverson arrived at 1:03 p.m.

2. Audience

Chair, Commissioner Mike Slavik, asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to address the Community Services Committee on an item not on the agenda or an item on the consent agenda. No one came forward.

3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

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Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Liz Workman

On a motion by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, seconded by Commissioner Workman, the agenda was unanimously approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 6

Excused: 1

4. Consent Agenda

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

On a motion by Commissioner Atkins, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the consent agenda was unanimously approved as follows:

4.1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on May 12, 2026

5. Regular Agenda

5.1 Update On Minnesota African American Family Preservation And Child Welfare Disproportionality Act

From Social Services - Children & Family Services, Nikki Conway, Director, and Lawrence Dickens, Deputy Director, presented on this item and stood for questions. No staff direction was given; this item was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Information only; no action requested.

6. Assistant County Managers' Report

Marti Fischbach, Assistant County Manager, Community Services, referred the Committee to the written report that was provided. Assistant County Manager Fischbach referenced the following items: The handout on free lead testing, the new State reporting requirements for Medical Assistance application and renewal timeliness, the revalidation update on long term services and behavioral health providers, and the sunseting of the Communities for All initiative as the work has concluded. A video highlighting some of that work, specifically on Assistive Technologies, was played for the Committee.

7. Future Agenda Items

Chair, Commissioner Mike Slavik, asked the Committee if anyone had a topic they would like to hear more about at an upcoming Community Services Committee of the Whole meeting. No topics were brought forth.

8. Adjournment

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Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Liz Workman

On a motion by Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland, seconded by Commissioner Liz Workman, the meeting was adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Collette, Administrative Coordinator
Community Services Division