



# Dakota County

## General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole

### Minutes

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Tuesday, April 23, 2024

10:00 AM

Conference Room 3A, Administration  
Center, Hastings

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(or following Regional Railroad Authority)

#### 1. Call To Order And Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chair Workman. Commissioner Halverson arrived to the meeting at 10:33 a.m.

##### Present

Commissioner Mike Slavik  
Commissioner Joe Atkins  
Commissioner Laurie Halverson  
Commissioner William Droste  
Commissioner Liz Workman  
Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg  
Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland

Also in attendance were Matt Smith, County Manager; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

The audio recording of this meeting is available upon request.

#### 2. Audience

Chair Atkins noted that all public comments can be sent to [CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us](mailto:CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us). No comments were received for this agenda.

#### 3. Approval Of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

##### 3.1 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Joe Atkins

Ayes: 6

Commissioner Slavik, Commissioner Atkins, Commissioner Droste,  
Commissioner Workman, Commissioner Holberg, and Commissioner  
Hamann-Roland

Excused: 1

Commissioner Halverson

#### CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Atkins, seconded by Commissioner Slavik, the Consent

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agenda was approved as follows:

**4. County Administration - Approval of Minutes**

**4.1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on April 9, 2024 and April 16, 2024**

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

Ayes: 6

Commissioner Slavik, Commissioner Atkins, Commissioner Droste,  
Commissioner Workman, Commissioner Holberg, and Commissioner  
Hamann-Roland

Excused: 1

Commissioner Halverson

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**5. County Board/County Administration**

**5.1 Legislative Update**

Intergovernmental Analyst Nathan Hanson introduced this item. Dan Dwight with Stinson gave a lobbyist update. Nathan presented on the following topics and responded to questions: meetings and events, community project funding, and SF4267 - requiring Metropolitan Council to design, construct, and fund certain aspects of bus rapid transit projects.

This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Information only; no action requested.

**5.2 Update On Executive Search To Fill Pending County Manager Vacancy**

Employee Relations Director Andy Benish and Bart Fischer with David Drown and Associates briefed this item and responded to questions. A process overview and update was given regarding applicants. Additional discussion will be held at a future General Government Committee of the Whole meeting. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Information only; no action requested.

**6. County Manager's Report**

No report given.

**7. Future Agenda Items**

A brief discussion was held on the following topics:

- upcoming revisions to meeting dates to include a work session with Metropolitan Council on June 11.
- future discussion regarding proclamations.
- future discussion on new staff introductions.

**8. Adjournment**

**8.1 Adjournment**

Motion: Mike Slavik

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

On a motion by Commissioner Slavik, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Ayes: 7

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeni Reynolds  
Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board