

## 2026 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Theis Wakefield Van Hee  
Salfer Groebner

Advocate-Connect- Educate  
(ACE) Ex-Officio:  
Joint Powers

Commissioner Salfer, Theis as alternate.  
Meets 4th Thursday of the month at 9am  
Center for Regional Development – Slayton, MN  
2024 Appropriation: \$41,648/yearly

Ag Society/Fair board:

Commissioner Van Hee & Salfer (alternate), Ex Officio.  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of the month-Email invite sent  
Fairgrounds meeting room or various locations  
Contact is Jeff Potter 507-993-6491 potterosafarms@gmail.com  
Appropriation: \$41,000/yearly

Aquatic Invasive Species Committee

Commissioner Groebner  
Conservation Officer and at large reps VACANT  
Will meet quarterly at the most

Association of Minnesota Counties

All Five Commissioners, Administrator, Env. Director;  
Highway Engineer

(AMC Voting Delegates)

Meets for Annual Conference Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> 2026  
AMC Legislative Conference March 2026  
AMC Leadership Conference March 2026  
AMC Policy Committees September 2026  
Appropriation: \$16,315/yearly

AMC District VIII Meetings:

All five Commissioners. Department Heads' option at their  
Choice. Meets May 2026 & October 2026 as scheduled within  
8 County District.

AMC Policy Committees:

Environmental – Wakefield  
Transportation Subcommittee – Van Hee  
Health & Human Services – Salfer  
General Government – Groebner  
Indian Affairs Task Force – Groebner  
Public Safety – Theis  
(All Commissioners may attend at any time.)  
Attends the Feb., Sept., and December Conferences

Area II Minnesota River Basin  
Projects  
Joint Powers

Commissioner Wakefield; Groebner as alternate.  
Meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday morning (9:00) monthly in Marshall,  
every other month in Redwood Falls jointly with RCRCA  
Contact: Kerry Netzke: Marshall Office, 507-537-6369.  
Appropriation: \$12,124

Audit Committee:

Board Chair, Administrator, Auditor-Treasurer  
Meets as needed

Board of Adjustment:  
(Noxious Weed Appeal Board)

John Rohlik Jr., Dan Tauer, DeVonna Zeug  
Meets as needed. No Term limits  
Contact: Director of Environmental Services: Nick Brozek  
Commissioner of District.

Budget/Finance Committee:

Commissioner **Theis** & **Wakefield**; County Administrator

Buildings Committee:

Commissioners **Groebner**  
Administrator; Department Heads; Maintenance

Business Subsidy & Tax  
Abatement Committee

Commissioners **Wakefield** (EDA) **Theis** (non-EDA);  
Alternate: Commissioner **Van Hee**  
Administrator; Attorney, Assessor, Auditor/Treasurer  
EDA Coordinator  
Meet as needed at a time that works for the majority

Communications Board  
(Emergency Communication Board)

Commissioner **Wakefield**; **Groebner** Alternate  
Emergency Communication Board  
Delegate: Jason Jacobson - Alternate: Jim Sandgren  
Regional User Committee:  
Meets every other month (4<sup>th</sup> Wed.) at 1pm in  
Basement of Lyon County Sheriff's Office.

County Ordinances:

Title 1X Chap. 90 Animals:  
Dangerous Dog Ordinance  
Hearing Officer:

Planning & Zoning Administrator

Title X1 Chap. 112 Tobacco  
Hearing Panel:

Representative from SWHHS (5-18-21)

Cottonwood-Middle MN River  
One Watershed

Commissioner **Wakefield**; **Groebner** Alternate

County Emergency Services Committee:

Board Chair	Sheriff
Vice Chair	National Guard
Dispatch	Emergency Management Dir.
EMS (Ambulance)	Redwood County Fire Assn.
County Administrator	City Police Dept.
County Engineer	Red Cross
Environmental	

County Office Appointments:

Assessor	Jesse Jacobson	4 yr. term	ends = December 31, 2028
Highway Engineer	Nick Klisch	1 yr. term	ends = April 2030
Veteran Service Officer	Roger Zollner	4 yr. term	ends = March 2030
County Coroner	Dr. Kelly Mills	4 yr. term	ends = December 31, 2027

CPT (Counties Providing Technology)

Commissioner **Salfer**  
Alternate: Commissioner **Wakefield**  
Administrator

Cyber Security Committee:

Commissioner **Salfer**; Alternative Commissioner **Theis**; Sheriff Jacobson, A/T Price, County Attorney, Paul Parsons, Brian Schulte, Matthew Luitjens, Katelyn Torgerson, Mark Cook, Jennifer Kaase, Administrator

Dead Coon Lake Outlet

Commissioner **Groebner** and **Wakefield**

Drug Task Force:  
(Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Wakefield**; Alternate-Commissioner **Salfer**  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every month at 9:30 a.m. Redwood County Law Enforcement Center

Extension Committee:  
(May serve two 3-year terms)

Commissioners **Van Hee** and **Theis**  
1<sup>st</sup> District: Nancy Frank (1<sup>st</sup> term) 2025, 2026, 2027  
2<sup>nd</sup> District: **VACANT**  
3<sup>rd</sup> District: Talana Mathiowetz (1<sup>st</sup> Term) 2025, 2026, 2027  
4<sup>th</sup> District: Lori Jensen (1<sup>st</sup> term) 2026, 2027, 2028  
5<sup>th</sup> District: Lori Manee (1<sup>st</sup> term) 2025, 2026  
At-Large: **VACANT**  
Secretary Designate: Auditor-Treasurer Office  
Meets 3x/year – February, June & November at 4pm in Redwood Falls

Human Rights Officers:

County Administrator; County Attorney; County Sheriff Board Chair, Alternate Vice Chair.

Insurance & Benefits Committee:

Commissioner **Salfer**, Alternate **Groebner**; Administrator; AFSCME-Courthouse, Robin Kokesch, Denise Siegfried, LELS Licensed- Henry Borgstrom  
LELS Non-Licensed- Mark Cook  
Alternate- Angie Sandgren  
R & B: Matt Guetter & Jason Mathiowetz  
Non-Union Employees: Shelly Koenig, Lauren Steinhaus  
Management Team: Auditor-Treasurer  
Meets as needed

Judicial Ditch Committee:

Commissioners **Wakefield**; **Groebner**, **Theis**  
Commissioner in District involved  
Environmental Director, Auditor/Treasurer, Ditch Inspector, Administrator

Ditch Committee

**Wakefield**; **Groebner**; **Theis**  
Environmental Director, Auditor/Treasurer, Ditch Inspector Administrator

Explore Southwest MN

Commissioner: Wakefield  
Anne Johnson

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every month at 2pm via Zoom or at the SW Regional Development Commission Office in Slayton

Law Library

Commissioner **Van Hee**  
County Attorney  
Judge Rohland

Lower Sioux Community Planning:

Commissioners **Van Hee** & **Groebner**;  
Administrator and EDA Coordinator  
Meets as needed

MN Rural Counties Caucus

Commissioner **Salfer** Alternate – **Van Hee**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday every month in Alexandria  
Contact: Anne Kilzer  
Appropriation: \$2,300/yearly

MN Transportation Alliance:

Commissioner **Van Hee**; Alternate: **Groebner**  
Highway Engineer  
Executive Director: Margaret Donahoe  
[Margaret@transportationalliance.com](mailto:Margaret@transportationalliance.com)

MN Valley Regional Rail Authority:  
(Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Groebner** Alternate **Van Hee**  
Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.  
Odd months – Sibley County Courthouse;  
Even months – Redwood County Government Center  
Contact: RADC 507-637-4084, McKenzie Fischer  
[Mvrraa19@gmail.com](mailto:Mvrraa19@gmail.com)

Opioid Settlement Committee

Commissioner: **Wakefield**

Personnel Sub-Committee:

Vice Chair and Chair  
**Salfer** and **Wakefield**  
Administrator; HR Director  
Meets as needed

Plum Creek Parks Committee

Commissioner **Wakefield**  
Environmental Director: Nick Brozek  
EDA Coordinator: Grady Holtberg  
Park Supervisor: Adam Kletscher  
City: Walnut Grove Mayor  
At Large: Merna Malmberg, Lon Walling, Crystal Knakmuhs,  
& Greg Hansen

Planning & Zoning Commission:

Commissioner **Theis**; **Salfer** as alternate;  
County Attorney; No term limits  
1<sup>st</sup> District: DeVonaa Zueg (3<sup>rd</sup> Term) 2027  
2<sup>nd</sup> District: Michael Scheffler 2027  
3<sup>rd</sup> District: Jonathan Tauer (1<sup>st</sup> Term) 2028  
4<sup>th</sup> District: Mike Kaufenberg (3<sup>rd</sup> Term): 2028  
5<sup>th</sup> District: Jeff Huseby (3<sup>rd</sup> term) 2027  
Soil and Water Representative: Rick Mauer 2026

Typically meets last Tuesday of the month at 1pm

Plum Creek Library Governing Board  
of Trustees: (Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Wakefield**; Alternate: **Salfer**  
Contact: Worthington Office, 507-376-5803.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Jan, April, June, October and  
December; Meets 5x/year  
in Slayton – Murray County Court Bldg.  
Contact [rhudson@plumcreeklibrary.net](mailto:rhudson@plumcreeklibrary.net)  
Appropriation: \$109,323/yearly

Primewest

Commissioner **Van Hee** Alternate: Wakefield  
Meets: First Thursday every month  
Meets in Alexandria, MN 11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Probation Community Committee:

Commissioner **Wakefield**

Redwood-Cottonwood Rivers Control  
Area (RCRCA): (Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Wakefield** ; **Groebner** as alternate.  
Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday monthly in Marshall & every other month in  
Redwood Falls, 9:00 a.m. jointly with Area II  
Contact: 507-532-1325, Kerry Netzke  
Appropriation: \$29,790/yearly

One Watershed, One Plan

Redwood County Collaborative:  
(Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Salfer**; **Wakefield** as alternate  
Meets yearly

Redwood County EDA Committee:  
(May serve three 3-Year terms)

Commissioner **Wakefield** – 2024-2025-2026 (1st Term)  
Commissioner **Salfer** – 2026 (1<sup>ST</sup> Term)  
EDA Coordinator  
1<sup>st</sup> District: Elizabeth Bjorklund (1<sup>st</sup> Term) 2026-2027-2028  
2<sup>nd</sup> District: Ed Cohrs (3rd Term): 2024-2025-2026  
3<sup>rd</sup> District: Shawn Guetter (1<sup>st</sup> Term): 2023-2024-2025  
4<sup>th</sup> District: Sarah Kuglin (3rd Term) 2024-2025-2026  
5<sup>th</sup> District: April Soupir (1<sup>st</sup> Term): 2025-2026-2027  
At Large: Christi Larson (1st Term): 2023-2024-2025  
At Large: Stacey Heiling (2<sup>nd</sup> Term): 2023-2024-2025  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday every month at 9am at the  
Government Center with a zoom link.

Redwood County Historical Society

Commissioner **Groebner**; **Theis** as alternate.

Board and Friends of Gilfillan:

Commissioner **Groebner**  
Hist. Society meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month in the evening.  
Friends of Gilfillan -meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month March-  
November at Gilfillan  
Redwood Falls Library  
Appropriation: \$30,000/yearly

Redwood County Water Plan  
Advisory Board

Commissioner **Groebner** and **Wakefield**  
Contact: Nick Brozek (Soil and Water)  
Usually meets 2x/year

Redwood River One Watershed  
One Plan

Commissioner **Wakefield**  
Alternate: Commissioner **Groebner**

## Recycling Committees

<u>Lyon County Regional Landfill:</u>	Commissioner; <b>Groebner</b> ; <b>Theis</b> as alternate; RRRSWA Executive Director Meets in Marshall 1x/year
<u>Lyon County Regional Landfill:</u> (Annual Meeting)	All five Commissioners RRRSWA Executive Director
<u>Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Joint Powers:</u>	Commissioner <b>Groebner</b> ; Commissioner <b>Theis</b> <b>Salfer</b> as alternate. Redwood County Representative: William Lightfoot At Large Member: Krystle Dillon Meets 2nd Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at RRRSWA Building
<u>Rural MN Energy Board:</u> (Joint Powers)	Commissioner <b>Groebner</b> , Commissioner <b>Wakefield</b> ; as alternate. Meets 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday on odd months at 1pm– 2401 Broadway Avenue, Slayton, MN <a href="http://www.rmeb.org">www.rmeb.org</a> for meeting dates; Appropriation: \$3,000/yearly
<u>Solid Waste Subcommittee:</u>	Commissioners <b>Groebner</b> & <b>Theis</b> <b>Salfer</b> as alternate RRRSWA Executive Meets as needed
<u>Southwest EMS Board:</u>	Jeremy Krause (1 <sup>st</sup> term 2023, 2024, 2025) Alternate: Lewis Louwagie (1 <sup>st</sup> Term 2024, 2025, 2026) Contact: Ann Jensen <a href="mailto:director@sw-ems.org">director@sw-ems.org</a>
<u>Southwest Regional Solid Waste:</u> <u>Commission:</u> (Joint Powers)	Commissioner <b>Groebner</b> ; Alternate: <b>Wakefield</b> RRRSWA Executive Director: Jon Mitchell. Contact: SRDC Office, 507-836-1633 – Rosemary Bruce- White Qtly Meetings in the am at 2401 Broadway Ave., Slayton
<u>Redwood Soil &amp; Water Conservation District – Liaison Committee</u>	Commissioner <b>Groebner</b> & <b>Salfer</b> Soil & Water Board Members: Joe Plaetz, Jeff Potter Environmental Director County Administrator Meets: As needed
<u>Redwood Soil &amp; Water Conservation Board</u>	Commissioner: <b>Groebner</b> ; Alternate: <b>Salfer</b> Meets the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month in the AM

Rural Child Care Innovation Program

Commissioner **Wakefield**

Safety Committee:

Commissioner **Salfer** and **Theis**; **Groebner** as alternate  
HR/Safety Coordinator: Shelly Koenig  
Payroll/HR Technician: Lauren Steinhaus  
R & B – Jamie Larsen; Luke Dellwo; Jeff Bommersbach as  
Alternate;  
Maintenance-Loren Gewerth, Kevin O’Keefe  
Sheriff – Henry Borgstrom; Aaron Clancy as alternate  
CH/Government Center-Jim Sandgren  
Meets 4x/year

Southern MN Tourism Association:

Chamber Director; Commissioner **Wakefield**  
Meetings in various sites quarterly  
Contact: Mankato Office, 507-389-2683.  
Anne Johnson, Chamber Director  
Appropriation: \$772.00/yearly

SMAMHC (SW MN Adult Mental Health  
Consortium Executive Commission Board:  
(Joint Powers 18 Counties)

Commissioner **Salfer**; Alternate **Wakefield**  
Meets annually in October  
Consortium meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday monthly. (attended by SWHHS)  
Marshall

Southwest Health & Human Services:

Commissioners **Salfer** & **Wakefield** (**Van Hee** as alternate)  
Public Health Lay-person: Maydra Maas  
Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the  
Gov’t Center in Marshall.

SW MN Private Industry Council  
Chief Elected Officials Board:  
(Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Wakefield**; **Salfer** as alternate.  
Meets Qtrly. at 2pm  
Contact: Marshall Office, 507-476-4060. Carrie Bendix  
cbendix@swmnpic.org  
Lyon County Government Center  
Appropriation: \$3,440/yearly

SW Regional Development Commission:  
(Joint Powers)

Commissioner **Van Hee**; **Salfer** as alternate.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every month at 3:30pm. at SRDC Office in  
Slayton. Contact: Slayton Office, 2401 Broadway Ave. 1  
Rhonda Wynia; [rwynia@swrdc.org](mailto:rwynia@swrdc.org) (507) 836-8547

State Community Health Service

Commissioner: **Salfer**

Advisory Board

Representative for SWHHS  
Meets Quarterly in March, June, Sept. and December  
Contact is Carol Biren  
Salfer is the representative for SWHHS, and they pay his per  
diem

Supporting Hands Nurse Family  
Partnership

Commissioner; **Salfer**; **Wakefield** Alternate  
Meets Quarterly – Carol Biren – SWHHS  
Meeting Dates:  
Kandiyohi HHS Building, Willmar

United Community Action  
Board of Directors

Commissioner: **Van Hee**  
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in Redwood

United Community Action  
Partnership – Community Transit

Commissioner **Van Hee**  
Meets quarterly on third Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.  
164 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Redwood Falls  
(February, May, August and November)  
Cathleen Amick (507) 637-2187

Western Mental Health Center  
Members of the Corporation:  
(Formerly Western Human Devel.)

Commissioners **Salfer**; Alternate **Van Hee**  
Lay member: Maydra Maas (appointed 4/2/2013)  
Board meets in Marshall at 1212 E. College Drive  
4<sup>th</sup> Monday every month, 3:30 p.m.  
507-337-4926, Sarah Ackerman sackerman@wmhcinc.org