

## 2024 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Forkrud  
Salfer

Wakefield  
Groebner

Van Hee

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

Commissioner Forkrud; Salfer as alternate.  
Meets 4th Thursday of the month at 9am  
Center for Regional Development – Slayton, MN  
2024 Appropriation: \$37,992/yearly

Ag Society/Fairboard:

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: \$36,000/yearly

Aquatic Invasive Species Committee

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. 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>  
AMC Legislative Conference March 2024  
AMC Leadership Conference Spring 2024  
AMC Policy Committees September 2024  
Appropriation: \$13,026/yearly

AMC District VIII Meetings:

All five Commissioners. Department Heads option at their  
Choice. Meets May 2024 & October 2024 as scheduled within  
9 County District.

AMC Policy Committees:

Environmental – Wakefield  
Ag Subcommittee – Forkrud  
Transportation Subcommittee – Van Hee  
Health & Human Services – Salfer  
Social Services & Health Subcommittee - Salfer  
General Government – Groebner  
Indian Affairs Task Force – Groebner  
Public Safety – Forkrud  
Futures Committee –  
(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, John Schueller  
Meets as needed. No Term limits  
Contact: Director of Environmental Services: Nick Brozek  
Commissioner of District.

Budget/Finance Committee:

Commissioner **Forkrud** & **Wakefield**; County Administrator

Buildings Committee:

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

Business Subsidy & Tax  
Abatement Committee

Commissioners **Wakefield** (EDA) **Forkrud** (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	2 yr. term	ends = Nov. 30, 2024
Highway Engineer	Anthony Sellner	4 yr. term	ends = April 2024

Veteran Service Officer	Roger Zollner	4 yr. term	ends = March 2025
County Coroner	Dr. Kelly Mills	4 yr. term	ends = December 31, 2027

CPT (Counties Providing Technology) Commissioner **Wakefield**  
Alternate: Commissioner **Forkrud**  
Administrator

Cyber Security Committee: Commissioner Salfer; Sheriff Jacobson, A/T Price, County Attorney Peterson, Paul Parsons, Brian Schulte, Matthew Luitjens, Katelyn Torgerson, Mark Cook, Jennifer Kaase, Administrator

Dead Coon Lake Outlet Commissioner **Groebner** and **Wakefield**

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

Extension Committee: Commissioners **Van Hee** and **Forkrud**  
(May serve two 3-year terms) 1<sup>st</sup> District: Merna Malmberg (1<sup>st</sup> Term) 2022, 2023, 2024  
2<sup>nd</sup> District: **VACANT**  
3<sup>rd</sup> District: Talana Mathiowetz (1<sup>st</sup> Term) 2022, 2023, 2024  
4<sup>th</sup> District: Lori O'Leary (2<sup>nd</sup> term) 2023, 2024, 2025  
5<sup>th</sup> District: **VACANT**  
At-Large: Emily Berg 2022, 2023, 2024  
Secretary Designate: Auditor-Treasurer Office  
Meets 3x/year 2024— February 6, June 4 & November 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in Redwood Falls

Human Rights Officers: County Administrator; County Attorney; County Sheriff Board Chair, Alternate Vice Chair.

Insurance & Benefits Committee: Commissioner Forkrud, Alternate Salfer; Administrator; AFSCME-Courthouse, Robin Kokesch, Denise Siegfried, LELS Licensed- Henry Borgstrom  
LELS Non-Licensed- Mark Cook  
Alternate- Jon Mertens  
R & B: Matt Guetter & Mike Panitzke  
Non-Union Employees: Shelly Koenig, Lauren Steinhaus  
Management Team: Auditor-Treasurer  
Meets as needed

Judicial Ditch Committee: Commissioners **Wakefield**; **Groebner**, **Forkrud**  
Commissioner in District involved  
Environmental Director, Auditor/Treasurer, Ditch Inspector, Administrator

Ditch Committee

Wakefield; Groebner Forkrud

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 Petereson

Judge Rohland

Lower Sioux Community Planning:

Commissioners Van Hee & Groebner;

Administrator and EDA Coordinator

Meets as needed

Marketing Committee

Grady Holtberg, Sierra Fluck, Robin Kokesch, Brian Schulte,  
Nick Brozek, Amy Serbus

Meet as needed at a time that works for the majority

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

Ordinance Task Force

Commissioner: Forkrud

Planning Commission Member: Mike Scheffler; Planning &  
Zoning Administrator Jeanette Pidde;

Auditor/Treasurer: Jean Price

Solid Waste Administrator: Jon Mitchell

Personnel Sub-Committee:

Chair and Vice 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

Planning & Zoning Commission:

Commissioner **Forkrud**; **Salfer** as alternate;  
County Attorney; No term limits  
1<sup>st</sup> District: DeVonaa Zueg, (2<sup>nd</sup> Term) 2021-2022-2023  
2<sup>nd</sup> District: Mike Scheffler: (5<sup>th</sup> Term): 2021-2022-2023  
3<sup>rd</sup> District: Mark Madsen (4<sup>th</sup> Term): 2022-2023-2024  
4<sup>th</sup> District: Mike Kaufenberg (3<sup>rd</sup> Term): 2022-2023-2024  
5<sup>th</sup> District: Jeff Huseby (2<sup>nd</sup> term) 2021-2022-2023  
Soil and Water Representative: Ed Carter Alternate: Rick Mauer  
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: **Forkrud**  
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)

One Watershed, One Plan

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: \$26,480.00/yearly

Redwood County Collaborative:  
(Joint Powers)

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

Redwood County EDA Committee:

(May serve three 3-Year terms)

Commissioners **Wakefield** – 2024-2025-2026 (1st Term)  
**Van Hee** – 2023-2024-2025 (3rd Term)  
EDA Coordinator  
1<sup>st</sup> District: Jacob Jenniges (3<sup>rd</sup> Term): 2023-2024-2025  
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 (3<sup>rd</sup> Term) 2024-2025-2026  
5<sup>th</sup> District: Jeff Manthei (1<sup>st</sup> Term): 2022-2023-2024  
At Large: Kristi Larson (1<sup>st</sup> Term): 2023-2024-2025  
At Large: Stacey Heiling (2<sup>nd</sup> Term): 2023-2024-2025  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday every other month (odd months) at 9am at the  
Government Center, and even months via Zoom

Redwood County Historical Society

Commissioner Groebner; Forkrud as alternate.

Board and Friends of Gilfillan:

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: \$20,000/yearly

Redwood County Water Plan  
Advisory Board

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

Redwood River One Watershed  
One Plan

Commissioner Wakefield  
Alternate: Commissioner Groebner

## Recycling Committees

Lyon County Regional Landfill:

Commissioner; Groebner; Forkrud as alternate;  
RRRSWA Executive Director  
Meets in Marshall 1x/year

Lyon County Regional Landfill:  
(Annual Meeting)

All five Commissioners  
RRRSWA Executive Director

Redwood/Renville Regional Solid  
Waste Joint Powers:

Commissioner Groebner; Commissioner Forkrud  
Salfer as alternate.  
Redwood County Representative: William Lightfoot  
At Large Member: Dr. Steven Medrud  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. at RRRSWA Building

Rural MN Energy Board:

(Joint Powers)

Commissioner Groebner, Commissioner Wakefield; as  
alternate.  
Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Monday on odd months at 1pm– 2401 Broadway  
Avenue, Slayton, MN  
[www.rmeh.org](http://www.rmeh.org) for meeting dates; Annette Fiedler  
Appropriation: \$2,500.00/yearly

Solid Waste Subcommittee:

Commissioners Groebner & Forkrud  
Salfer as alternate  
RRRSWA Executive  
Meets as needed

Southwest EMS Board:

Jeremy Krause (1<sup>st</sup> term 2023, 2024, 2025)  
Alternate: Lewis Louwagie (1<sup>st</sup> Term 2024, 2025, 2026)  
Contact: Ann Jensen [director@sw-ems.org](mailto:director@sw-ems.org)

Southwest Regional Solid Waste :  
Commission:  
(Joint Powers)

Commissioner Groebner; Alternate: Wakefield –  
RRRSWA Executive Director: Jon Mitchell.  
Contact: SRDC Office, 507-836-1633 – Rosemary Bruce-  
White  
Qtly Meetings in the am at 2401 Broadway Ave., Slayton

Redwood Soil & Water Conservation  
District – Liaison Committee

Commissioner Groebner & Forkrud  
Soil & Water Board Members: Joe Plaetz, Jeff Potter  
Environmental Director  
County Administrator  
Meets: As needed

Redwood Soil & Water Conservation  
Board

Commissioner: Groebner; Alternate: Forkrud  
Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month in the AM

Safety Committee:

Commissioner Salfer and Forkrud; 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  
Sheriff – Joel Bill  
CH/Government Center-Jim Sandgren  
Meets 4x/year

Southern MN Tourism Association:

Chamber Director; Commissioner Forkrud  
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 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  
Advisory Board

Commissioner: **Salfer**  
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

Commissioner; **Salfer**; **Forkrud** Alternate

Partnership

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

Wellness Your Way

Shelly Koenig, Sierra Fluck, Robin Kokesch, Chris Burchfield,  
Jeanne Prescott, Amy Serbus, Jeanette Pidde, Lauren Steinhaus  
Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday every month at 3:00 p.m.

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