

## Appointments made by Commissioners to Boards, Committees and for Department Directors

	Meeting Schedule Notes/Term Requirements	District	First Term Began	Term Length	Term Expiration (if applicable)
<b>Officers elected for the year of 2026:</b>					
	Chair of County Board		Beth Oberg		
	Vice Chair of Board		Cheryl VanOrt		
<b>County Assessor</b>					
Melissa Voigt			5/2/2023	4 Years	12/31/2028
<b>County Highway Engineer</b>					
Phillip Schmalz			5/9/2018	4 years	5/8/2026
<b>Coroner/Medical Examiner</b>					
Dr. Quinn Piper			1/1/2010	5 years	12/31/2027
<b>County Surveyor</b>					
Doug Huhn			6/20/2006	2 years	12/31/2026
<b>County Veterans Service Officer</b>					
Timothy Steinert			1/24/2022	4 year	12/31/2029

Meeker County Boards/Committees	
<b>Budget and Negotiations Committee</b>	Commissioners Cheryl VanOrt and Steve Schmitt, County Administrator Andrew Letson
<b>Classification/Compensaton Committee</b>	Commissioners Beth Oberg and Steve Schmitt, County Administrator Andrew Letson, County Attorney Brandi Schiefelbein, Health & Human Services Director Tina Schenk, Human Resources Director Mikkell Johnson, Public Works Director Phil Schmalz
<b>Department of Corrections Advisory Committee</b>	Commissioner Steve Schmitt and County Administrator Andrew Letson
<b>Governmental Relations Committee</b>	All board members
<b>Gravel Tax Committee</b>	Commissioners Steve Schmitt and Darren Sombke; Dylan Anderson, Danielson Twsp; Mike Cates, Kingston Twsp; David Jutz, Ellsworth Twsp; David Knutson, Forest City Twsp; Jim Tews, Greenleaf Twsp
<b>Insurance Committee</b>	Commissioner Paul Johnson, County Administrator Andrew Letson, Human Resources Coordinator Mikkell Johnson, Social Services Director Tina Schenk, Public Works Director Phil Schmalz, Attorney John Fitzgerald, Jail Administrator Jodi Bean, Dispatcher Suzi Holtz, Jail Programmer Jim Watt, Sergeant Jason Danielson, Eligibility Worker Penny Stuber, Bookkeeper Nikki Mitchell

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<b>Investment Committee</b>	County Treasurer Heather Lemieux, Commissioners Steve Schmitt and Beth Oberg, County Administrator Andrew Letson, Hospital CEO Mary Ellen Wells, and Hospital CFO Tyler Ulseth					
<b>Personnel Committee</b>	Commissioners Paul Johnson and Beth Oberg, County Administrator Andrew Letson, Human Resources Director Mikkell Johnson Alternates: Commissioners Steve Schmitt, Darren Sombke & Cheryl VanOrt					
<b>Road Viewing Committee</b>	All board members					
<b>Safe Road Coalition</b>	Commissioner Darren Sombke					
<b>Tax Abatement Committee</b>	Same Commissioners as MCDC Board (other three as alternates), County Administrator Andrew Letson and Economic Development Director					
<b>Waste Management</b>	Commissioners Steve Schmitt and Paul Johnson					
<b>Yellow Ribbon Committee</b>	Commissioner Cheryl VanOrt					

Multi County or Multi Jurisdictions Boards and Committees	
<b>Association of MN Counties Committees</b>	
<b>AMC Environment &amp; Natural Resources</b>	Commissioner Darren Sombke
<b>AMC General Government</b>	Commissioner Cheryl VanOrt
<b>AMC Health &amp; Human Services</b>	Commissioner Paul Johnson
<b>AMC Public Safety</b>	Commissioner Steve Schmitt
<b>AMC Transportation &amp; Infrastructure</b>	Commissioner Beth Oberg
<b>AMC Voting Delegates</b>	All Commissioners and Administrator Letson

<b>Aquatic Invasive Species Committee</b>	Meet 3rd Wednesday of the month. 3 year terms. No term limits.					
Jeremy D. Johnson				12/16/2025	3 years	12/31/2027
Mindy Czycalla				1/1/2024	3 years	12/31/2026
Jerome Wosmek				1/7/2025	3 years	12/31/2027
Kristin Jaquith				5/18/2021	3 years	12/31/2026
Barry Calhoon, Jr.				1/7/2025	3 years	12/31/2027
Mike Solbrack				8/19/2014	3 years	12/31/2026
Darren Sombke				*Commissioner	1/7/2025	
Paul Johnson				*Commissioner	1/5/2021	

<b>Board of Adjustments</b>	Meets as needed (Tuesday's) Statute requires member of Planning Commission. No term limits.					
Al Anderson				6/5/2018	3 years	12/31/2027
Galen Nyman				2/18/2020	3 years	12/31/2028

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Kimberly Hempel John Smith			1/1/2018 2/18/2020	3 years 3 years	12/31/2026 12/31/2028	
<b>Central Community Transit JP Board</b>		Meets 1st month of each quarter on 2nd Friday, in Willmar				
Darren Sombke Beth Oberg			*Commissioner *Commissioner	1/5/2021 1/8/2013		
<b>Central MN Jobs &amp; Training</b>		Meets last month of each quarter on 2nd Friday				
Delegate: Paul Johnson Alternate: Steve Schmitt			*Commissioner *Commissioner	1/3/2023 1/8/2019		
<b>Central MN NG911 Committee</b>						
Delegate: Alex Parlato, Dsipatch Supervisor Alternate: Bill Hudson, Chief Deputy Alternate: Amie Bergquist		Dispatch Supervisor Chief Deputy Dispatcher		6/20/2023 4/15/2023 10/1/2024	undefined undefined undefined	
<b>Counties Providing Technology</b>		Meets monthly on 4th Monday				
Delegate: Paul Johnson Alternate: Darren Sombke			*Commissioner *Commissioner	1/5/2021 1/7/2025	undefined undefined	
<b>Economic Development Authority</b>		Meet bi-monthly on 2nd Thursday. EDA has 6 year terms and effective June 1, 2008, common board with MCDC. Bylaws indicated representation by area as listed below.				
Terri Boese Kim Dolan (complete term to 2026) Brent Bengtson Lorlane Schmeling Joseph Kuechle Sr. Jason McCoy Mark Smith Steve Schmitt Darren Sombke Alternate: Cheryl VanOrt		Dassel/Kingston Litchfield Eden Valley Cosmos/Cedlar Mills Watkins Grove City Darwin Appointed with elected term Appointed with elected term Appointed with elected term		5/17/2022 5/17/2022 4/2/2019 10/15/2024 8/17/2021 4/16/2024 6/2/2007 *Commissioner *Commissioner *Commissioner	6 years 6 years 6 years 6 years 6 years 6 years 6 years 1/5/2021 1/7/2025 1/7/2025	6/3/2028 6/3/2026 6/3/2026 6/3/2029 6/3/2029 6/3/2030 6/3/2031
<b>Emergency Managers Advisory Committee (EMAC)</b>						
Stephanie Johnson		Emergency Mgmt Director			Indefinitely	

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Alternate: Chief Deputy Bill Hudson			4/15/2023		
<b>Emergency Services Board</b>					
Meets Quarterly in St. Cloud. 1 year term, annual appointments, made within 60 days of non-re-election.					
Delegate: Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	1/8/2019		
Alternate: Darren Sombke		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>Grove City Care</b>					
Meets last Monday - monthly					
Steve Schmitt					
<b>Hazard Mitigation Planning Task Force Committee</b>					
Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	1/5/2021		
<b>Hospital Board</b>					
Meet 2nd Monday, bi-monthly. Terms for Commissioners are 2 years with no limit, Citizens 3 year terms, limit 4 full terms					
Kiza Olson			1/1/2018	3 years	12/31/2026
Al Liestman			1/1/2017	3 years	12/31/2028
Dr. Davis Sand			Chief Medical Officer		
John Spreiter			2/17/2015	3 years	12/31/2026
Will Dolan			4/18/2017	3 years	12/31/2026
Michelle Bekkala			8/19/2024	3 years	12/31/2027
Paul Johnson			*Commissioner	1/5/2021	3 years
Beth Oberg			*Commissioner	1/8/2013	3 years
<b>Housing Redevelopment Authority</b>					
Meet 4th Monday/monthly at 1:15 p.m. Membership shall reflect a county-wide distribution on a representative basis. Limit of no more than 2 consecutive terms.					
Mattie Baumgartner		District 2	7/10/2023	5 years	7/10/2028
Melissa Stonelake		District 5	12/17/2024	5 years	7/10/2029
Donald Brink		District 1	7/21/2020	5 years	7/10/2027
Robert "Jason" Harris		District 4	11/7/2017	5 years	7/10/2029
Kara Richards (tenant)		Voted in by tenants. Not bd appvd	11/23/2020	5 years	7/10/2028
Keith Adams		District 3	7/10/2020	5 Years	7/10/2030
Delegate: Cheryl Vanort		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
Alternate: Beth Oberg		*Commissioner	5/4/2021		
<b>Humane Society Board</b>					
Meets 4th Thursday monthly. Citizen representation for individual counties is done by the Humane Society Board. Limit of no more than 3 consecutive terms.					

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Beth Oberg		*Commissioner	1/8/2013	3 years	
Jon Thoma, Lori Johnson		Citizens of Meeker County appointed by the Humane Society Board			
<b>Law Library Committee</b>		Annual Meeting			
Beth Oberg		*Commissioner	1/8/2013	3 year	
<b>Meeker Area Partners in Prevention</b>		Meets 3rd Tuesday monthly at noon in Courthouse Community Room A			
Paul Johnson		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
Darren Sombke		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>Meeker/McLeod/Sibley Community Health Services Board</b>		Meets monthly on 2nd Thursday			
Beth Oberg		*Commissioner			
Paul Johnson		*Commissioner			
Alternate: Cheryl VanOrt		*Commissioner			
<b>Mid-Minnesota Development Commission</b>		Meets as scheduled - approx 8 time per year			
Darren Sombke		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>Minnesota Extension Service Committee</b>		Meet 3rd Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. approx bi-monthly. No term limits.			
LeAnne Lund		District 3	1/1/2024	3 years	12/31/2026
Corey Cervin		District 1	1/1/2022	3 years	12/31/2027
Matthew Johnson		At-Large Member	1/1/2024	3 years	12/31/2026
Gail Schiefelbein		District 4	12/16/2025	3 years	12/31/2028
Jennifer Welling		District 5	1/1/2022	3 years	12/31/2027
Tim Erickson		District 2	1/1/2023	3 years	12/31/2028
Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
Cheryl VanOrt		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
Holly Nelson		County Auditor		Required by statute	
<b>Minnesota Rural Counties</b>		Meets approximately 8-10 times/year at varying locations			
Delegate: Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	1/5/2021		
Alternate: Paul Johnson		*Commissioner	1/2/2024		
<b>Nurse Family Partnership Governing Board</b>		Meets 1st Monday in Feb, May, Aug & Nov in Willmar			
Beth Oberg		*Commissioner	1/8/2013		

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Alternate: Cheryl VanOrt		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>One Watershed One Plan: Mississippi and Middle Fork Crow River</b>		Meets annually/as needed			
Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
Alternate: Darren Sombke		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>One Watershed One Plan: North Fork Crow River</b>		Meets as needed			
Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
Alternate: Darren Sombke		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>One Watershed One Plan: South Fork Crow River</b>		Meets as needed			
Paul Johnson		*Commissioner	9/7/2021		
Alternate: Cheryl VanOrt		*Commissioner	1/7/2025		
<b>PACT for Families Chief Elected Officials Bd</b>		Meets 2nd Wednesday monthly			
Paul Johnson		*Commissioner	1/5/2021		
Alternate: Steve Schmitt		*Commissioner	3/16/2021		
<b>Park Board</b>		Meet 3rd Wednesday, bi-monthly. Member from each Commissioner District per establishment resolution. No term limits.			
Roger Eckert		4th District	5/1/2016	3 years	5/1/2028
Paul Fank		At-Large Seat	6/7/2016	3 years	5/1/2027
Don Konietzko		1st District	5/1/2013	3 years	5/1/2027
Robert Pederson		5th District	6/3/2014	3 years	5/1/2028
Lorlane Schmeling		3rd District	5/5/2015	3 years	5/1/2026
Kimberly Ertl		2nd District	5/5/2020	3 years	5/1/2026
<b>Personnel Board of Appeals</b>		Meets as needed. No specific Commissioner District requirements.			
Stacy Gray			1/1/2022	3 years	12/31/2027
Dana Nothnagel			5/6/2025	2 years	12/31/2026
Emily Wood			1/1/2021	3 years	12/31/2026
<b>Planning Commission</b>		Meets the 3rd Tuesday/monthly. No specific districts. No term limits.			
Jesse Turck			1/1/2022	3 years	12/31/2027

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John Smith		1/5/2021	3 years
Greg Euerle		5/1/2016	3 years
Kimberly Hempel		5/1/2014	3 years
Greg Jans		5/15/2009	3 years
Derek Schreiber		1/1/2023	3 years
Cory Salzl		1/1/2020	3 years
<b>Prime Health</b>			
Meets quarterly on 3rd Thursday in Alexandria. Limit 3 full terms of 3 years			
Paul Johnson	*Commissioner	1/7/2025	
<b>Prime West</b>			
Meets 1st Thursday monthly in Alexandria			
Beth Oberg	*Commissioner	1/5/2021	
Alternate: Paul Johnson	*Commissioner	1/5/2021	
<b>ProWorks</b>			
Meets 4th Tuesday quarterly		(County Board may make a recommendation to the ProWorks Board)	
Paul Johnson	*Commissioner	1/5/2021	
Alternate: Darren Sombke	*Commissioner	1/7/2025	
<b>Public Health Advisory</b>			
Meets the 4th Wednesday of odd months at 8 a.m. in Litchfield. Bylaws allow for up to 10 members, but need 7 minimum. No specific commissioner districts required.			
Louis Brooks		1/1/2017	
Susan Steuck		6/21/2022	
Dianne Barka		1/1/2020	
Kari Olson		3/7/2017	
Vacant			
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Dr. Whitney Reents		6/7/2022	
Beth Oberg	*Commissioner District 1	1/7/2025	
<b>Radio Owners &amp; Operators Committee</b>			
Meets 3rd Thursday monthly			
Delegate: Brian Cruze			Indefinite
Alternate: Chief Deputy Bill Hudson		4/15/2023	
<b>Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)</b>			
Meets 2nd Friday monthly in St. Cloud			
Delegate: Brian Cruze			Indefinite
Alternate: Chief Deputy Bill Hudson		4/15/2023	

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<b>Regional Library Board</b>						
Meets Thursday on or after 10th of each month. Limit 3 full terms, one Commissioner and one at large position						
Vacant		At Large position		3 year		
Cheryl VanOrt		*Commissioner		1/7/2025		
<b>Regional Logger Committee</b>						
To be determined						
Delegate: Sheriff Brian Cruze				1/5/2021		
Alternate: Chief Deputy Bill Hudson				4/15/2023		
<b>Southwest MN Emergency Medical Services Corporate Board</b>						
Limit of 2 three-year terms max. Member of emergency service org, public elected official or a county commissioner						
Delegate: Chief Deputy Bill Hudson		(chg effective April 15, 2023)		4/15/2023		3 year
Alternate: PT Deputy Jeff Ho				1/18/2022		5/2/2026 1/18/2024
<b>State Dept. and County Transportation Building Management Committee</b>						
Phillip Schmalz		County Engineer				
Andrew Letson		Administrator				
Darren Sombke		*Commissioner		1/7/2025		
Alternate: Paul Johnson		*Commissioner		1/5/2021		
<b>Southwest 18 MN Adult Mental Health Consortium</b>						
Paul Johnson		*Commissioner		1/7/2025		
Alternate: Beth Oberg		*Commissioner		1/7/2025		
<b>United Community Action Partnership (Formerly Heartland Community Action Agency)</b>						
Meets monthly on 4th Thursday in Cosmos						
Paul Johnson		*Commissioner		1/5/2021		
Alternate: Cheryl VanOrt		*Commissioner		1/7/2025		
<b>Woodland Mental Health Center Board</b>						
Meets monthly - most often 2nd Thursday. Each representative county nominates for 2 board seats: one must be a Commissioner and 1 is at-large.						
Beth Oberg		*Commissioner		8/5/2014		
<b>Watershed Boards:</b>						
Requires advertising the position and appointment must be made 30 days prior to term expiration.						
<b>Clearwater River Watershed</b>						

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Robert Schiefelbein			8/13/2003	3 years	8/13/2027
<b>Middle Fork Watershed</b>					
Jay Hedtke			4/18/2017	3 years	4/26/2027
<b>North Fork Watershed</b>					
Joe Flanders			4/15/2025	3 years	5/9/2028
<b>Sauk River Watershed</b>					
Scott Klatt	Complete term to June 30, 2019 & then full term		5/21/2019	3 years	6/30/2028

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