

Minutes
Wednesday, August 20, 2025
10:00 a.m.
Safe Home 320 W. 3rd St

Commissioners present: Tiffany Butler, Cole Robbins, and Tyler Klatt. Also present were Joy West, Shannon Hemenway, Tom Greco, Kari Benz, Lori Montis, and Meredith Jarchow. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

- I. Approval of Agenda
Motion by Butler, seconded by Klatt to approve the agenda/ No objections to approving the agenda.
- II. Public input for items not on the agenda
There was no public input.
- III. Minutes
 - a. May 21, 2025, HRC meeting
Motion by Butler, seconded by Klatt to approve the May 21, 2025, Minutes/ No objections to approving the May 21, 2025, Minutes.
- IV. Bills and Communications
 - a. MC HRC Account Balance as of 8/14/2025: \$25,267.65
 - b. Financial Report (04-2025; 05-2025; 06-2025)
There were no questions or concerns with the financial reports.
Motion by Klatt, seconded by Butler to Accept the Financial Reports/ No objections to accepting the Financial Reports.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Program Updates
Joy West gave an update on overall Safe Home programming. There are currently three units open.
 - b. Flooring Update
Joy West and Shannon Hemenway gave an update that the new flooring is installed.
 - c. Tax Credit/Citi Housing Transition Update
Meredith Jarchow gave an update that the tax credit transition will occur sometime in 2026.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Removing the garden from behind Safe Home
Joy West and Kari Benz gave an update about the outdoor garden in the back being removed. It has been determined that the area it resides in is County-owned property so Safe Home staff will coordinate with the County Facilities Department on the removal of the garden.
 - b. Shelter Plus Care Vouchers and Memorandum of Understanding with the Sioux Falls Housing and Redevelopment Commission
Joy West and Kari Benz gave an update on the Shelter Care Plus Vouchers. There can be up to 8

vouchers, dependent on grant funding. There will for sure be 7 vouchers. These vouchers stay with Safe Home and aren't tied to a tenant if they leave which is beneficial to Safe Home.

c. VTAC Unit Installation

Joy West and Shannon Hemenway gave an update on the VTAC Unit Installation progress. One of the apartments was having some issues and it was found that the compressor is bad, but the unit is so old it needs to be replaced entirely since they can't find a part for the existing unit. They are currently waiting for the new unit to be installed. The budget allows for 2-3 units to be replaced each year if needed.

d. MC 69-25 Ordinance passed on August 5, 2025

Meredith Jarchow gave an update on the ordinance that was passed by the Minnehaha County Commission on August 5, that allows nonresidents of Minnehaha County to serve as HRC Commissioners. No more than two nonresidents can serve on the HRC at one time, and nonresidents of Minnehaha County must reside in an adjacent county.

e. Commissioner Twedt's term expires November 10, 2025

Meredith Jarchow gave an update on Commissioner Twedt's term that is expiring, and that the county is soliciting applications for the upcoming vacancy on the Minnehaha County website. Interested parties are encouraged to apply.

f. Tom Greco will lead the November 19, 2025, meeting

Meredith Jarchow gave an update that Tom Greco will lead the next meeting as she will be out.

VII. Adjourn

Motion by Klatt, seconded by Butler to adjourn/ No objections to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Future Meeting:

November 19, 2025