

2024 Murray County Committee Appointments

NAME OF BOARD/COMMITTEE	APPOINTEE	TERM	TERM ENDS	
911 Committee				
	Murray County Board Chair	1 year	January	2025
	Murray County Board Vice-Chair	1 year	January	2025
Advocating, Connecting, Educating (ACE)				
	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
	David Thiner * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Agricultural Society				
	All Five Commissioners	1 year	January	2025
Airport Commission				
	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Committee				
	Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
	David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC)				
	All Five Commissioners	1 year	January	2025
	County Administrator	1 year	January	2025
	Zoning Administrator	1 year	January	2025
Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) - Policy Committees				
Environment and Natural Resources	Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
General Government	David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Health and Human Services	Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Public Safety	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Transportation & Infrastructure	Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
Audit Committee				
	Murray County Board Chair		N/A	
	Murray County Board Vice-Chair		N/A	
	County Auditor-Treasurer		N/A	
	SAWS Committee Chair		N/A	
	County Administrator		N/A	
Board of Adjustment/Appeals Board for Weeds				
	Kevin Vickerman (Dist. 1)	3 years	January	2025
	Grant Bose (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2026
	Dan Bierma (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2026
	Ronald Holinka (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2025
	Tyson VanPeursesem (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2027
Buffalo Ridge Task Force				
	Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
Alternate	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Building/Facilities Committee				
	Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
	David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
	Jackie Meier *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
	County Administrator		N/A	
Canvas Board				
	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
	Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
	County Auditor-Treasurer		N/A	
	District Court Administrator		N/A	
	Mayor of Largest City		N/A	

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Casey Jones Trail/Regional Trails/Regional Development Commission (RDC) Trails Committee				
	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
	Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
	Museum Coordinator		N/A	
Coroner - Medical Examiner				
<i>Liaison for questions/concerns</i>	David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
	Dr. Kelly Mills		CONTRACT	
	Brian Christiansen		N/A	
	Paige Freeman		N/A	
	Paul Kenney		N/A	
	Jennifer Kirchner		N/A	
	Josh Malchow		N/A	
Cottonwood-Middle Minnesota Watershed				
	Lori Gunnink		N/A	
	Molly Malone *Alternate		N/A	
	Jay Tackle		N/A	
County and State Aid Highways				
	Each Commissioner (in respective district)	1 year	January	2025
Des Moines River Joint Powers Board				
	David Thiner	1 Year	January	2025
	Molly Malone *Alternate	1 Year	January	2025
District 8 Land Use Committee				
	Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
	Dennis Welgraven *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Early Childhood Initiative (ECI)				
	Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
	Molly Malone *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Economic Development Authority (EDA)				
	Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
	Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
	Marilyn Carlson	6 years	January	2029
	Jason Kirchner	6 years	January	2030
	Darwin Kruse	6 years	January	2027
	Econ. Dev. Coord. (Ex-Officio/Non-Voting)		N/A	
Explore Southwest Minnesota Tourism				
	Museum Coordinator and/or Staff	1 year	January	2025
Extension Committee				
	Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
	Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
	Sara Heintz	3 years	January	2026
	Dennis Opdahl	3 years	January	2026
	Dave Herrig	3 years	January	2027
	Linnea Suprenant	3 years	January	2027
	Stacy Posthuma	3 years	January	2025
	Diane Schreier	3 years	January	2025
	County Auditor-Treasurer (Ex-Officio)		N/A	
Fair Board				
<i>2 Commissioners are appointed as liaisons to the Murray County Fair Board. The rest of the Fair Board is elected during the annual meeting of the Ag Society each November.</i>	Lori Gunnink	1 Year	January	2025
	Jackie Meier	1 Year	January	2025
	President - Stan Larson (Dist. 2)	1 Year	November	2024
	Vice President - Dean Ackerman (Dist. 4)	1 Year	November	2024
	Secretary - Kim Konkol (Dist. 4)	1 Year	November	2024

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Treasurer - Ron Robbins (Dist. 1)	1 Year	November	2024
Steve Salentiny (Dist. 1)	3 Years	November	2026
Ron Robbins (Dist. 1)	3 Years	November	2024
Bill Post (Dist. 2)	3 Years	November	2024
Stan Larson (Dist. 2)	3 Years	November	2025
Tom Mesner (Dist. 3)	3 Years	November	2025
Darren Saner (Dist. 3)	3 Years	November	2026
Kim Konkol (Dist. 4)	3 Years	November	2024
Scott Kleve (Dist. 4)	3 Years	November	2025
Troy Wehking (Dist. 5)	3 Years	November	2024
Steve Magnus (Dist. 5)	3 Years	November	2026
Dennis Opdahl (At Large)	3 Years	November	2026
Ron Holinka (At Large)	3 Years	November	2025
Mike Kirchner (At Large)	3 Years	November	2026
Jeff Boerboom (At Large)	3 Years	November	2024
Chris Opdahl (At Large)	3 Years	November	2025
Clayton Hartle (At Large)	3 Years	November	2024
Dean Ackerman (At Large)	3 Years	November	2025

Fairgrounds Advisory Board

Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Stan Larson (Fair Board President)	3 years	January	2025
Mike Kirchner (Draft Horse Show Rep)	3 years	January	2026
Stacy Posthuma (4-H Horse & Saddle Rep)	3 years	January	2026
Sharon Staples (At Large)	3 years	January	2025
Jim Surprenant (At Large)	3 years	January	2025
U of MN Extension Educator		N/A	
Parks & Fairgrounds Director		N/A	
Parks Maintenance *Alternate		N/A	
Deputy Auditor (Ex-Officio/Non-Voting)		N/A	

Heron Lake Watershed District (HLWD) Advisory Committee

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Molly Malone *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Heron Lake Watershed District (HLWD) Board of Managers

Cory Reith	3 years	February	2026
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Insurance Committee

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Investment Committee

Murray County Board Chair	1 year	January	2025
Murray County Board Vice-Chair	1 year	January	2025
County Auditor-Treasurer		N/A	
County Administrator		N/A	
County Attorney		N/A	

Labor Negotiation Committee

All Five Commissioners	1 year	January	2025
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Law Library Committee

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
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Local Water Management Plan Task Force

Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025

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Dave Kremer	1 year	January	2025
Duane Spartz	1 year	January	2025
Jay Takle	1 year	January	2025
John Busman	1 year	January	2025
John Hoyme	1 year	January	2025
Kathy Bill	1 Year	January	2025
Larry Byers	1 year	January	2025
Paul Posthuma	1 year	January	2025
Rick Parker	1 year	January	2025
Robert Koehler	1 year	January	2025
Ag & Solid Waste Administrator		N/A	
County Engineer		N/A	
Ditch Inspector		N/A	
Econ. Dev. Coord.		N/A	
U of MN Extension Educator		N/A	
Parks & Fairgrounds Director		N/A	
SWCD Rep		N/A	
Zoning Administrator		N/A	
Minnesota Public Sector Collaborative - Insurance			
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
David Thiner *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Mid State Computer Cooperative			
County Auditor/Treasurer		N/A	
Deputy Auditor		N/A	
Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT)			
David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
County Administrator		N/A	
Minnesota River Basin (Area II) & Redwood-Cottonwood Rivers Control Area (RCRCA)			
Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
Molly Malone * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Minnesota Rural Broadband Coalition			
Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Missouri Watershed District			
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Murray County Medical Center			
Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Laurie Jensen	3 years	January	2026
Gerald McCord	3 years	January	2027
Lenore Wendorff	3 years	January	2025
Museums Liaison			
Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
David Thiner * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Mutual Aid Committee			
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
National Association of Counties (NACO)			
All Five Commissioners	1 year	January	2025

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Noise Committee

Molly Malone	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
County Administrator		N/A	
County Attorney		N/A	
Sheriff and/or Chief Deputy		N/A	

Opioid Settlement Committee

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Opioid Task Force

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Primary Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Jon Hoyme (Dist. 1)	3 years	January	2026
LeRoy Reese (Dist. 2)	3 years	January	2025
Rae Ann Storm (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2026
Terry Giesen (Dist. 4)	3 years	January	2027
Mark Bartosh (Dist. 5)	3 years	January	2027
Jason Kirchner (EDA)		Indefinite	

Personnel

Murray County Board Chair		N/A	
Murray County Board Vice Chair		N/A	
David Thiner* Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Molly Malone *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
County Administrator		N/A	
Human Resources Director (Ex-Officio)		N/A	

Planning Commission

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Molly Malone * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Kevin Vickerman (Dist. 1)	3 years	January	2025
Annette Fiedler (Dist. 1)	3 years	January	2027
Robert Ossefoort (Dist. 2 & Townships)	3 years	January	2026
Dan Bierma (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2026
Grant Bose (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2026
Ronald Holinka (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2025
Tyson VanPeursesem (Dist. 3)	3 years	January	2027

Plum Creek Library

Lori Gunnink	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Policy Committee - New

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
County Administrator		N/A	
Human Resources Director		N/A	

Redwood River One Watershed One Plan

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Rural Minnesota Energy Board

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Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Molly Malone *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

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Shetek Area Water and Sewer Commission

Regular Members	Jon Hoyme	4 years	January	2027
	Jamie Thomazin	4 years	January	2028
	Valarie Kastner	4 years	January	2025
	Donna Kor	4 Years	January	2026
	Trevor Humphrey	4 years	January	2026
Seasonal Members	Greg Grant	4 years	January	2025
	David Maguire	4 years	January	2026
Non-Voting	District 1 Commissioner	1 year	January	2025
	District 2 Commissioner	1 year	January	2025

Southern Minnesota Tourism

Museum Coordinator and/or Staff	1 year	January	2024
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Southwest Health and Human Services Human Services Board (Article III of JPA)

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Jeane Anderson			

Southwest Health and Human Services - Joint Governing Board (Article II of JPA)

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Southwest Health and Human Services - Public Health Board (Article IV of JPA)

Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier *Primary Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink *Secondary Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Southwest Minnesota Adult Mental Health Consortium NEW

Jackie Meier	1 Year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven *Alternate	1 Year	January	2025

Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council (SMOC)

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Open			
Open			

Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council (PIC) / Chief Elected Officials Board (CEOB)

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier * Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC)

Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier * Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Southwest Regional Emergency Medical Services

Emergency Mgmt./Safety Director		N/A	
David Thiner	1 year	January	2025

Southwest Regional Radio Board/Public Safety Board

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Emergency Mgmt./Safety Director		N/A	
Sheriff and/or Chief Deputy		N/A	

Southwest Solid Waste Commission

Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Molly Malone *Alternate	1 year	January	2025
Ag & Solid Waste Administrator		N/A	

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State Revolving Fund/Agricultural Best Management Practices (Ag BMP)

Murray County Board Chair	N/A
Murray County Board Vice Chair	N/A
Ag & Solid Waste Administrator	N/A
County Administrator	N/A
County Auditor/Treasurer	N/A

Sunrise Terrace Advisory

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
County Administrator		N/A	
County Auditor/Treasurer		N/A	
Darlene Mechtenberg		Indefinite	
Marilyn Carlson		Indefinite	
Linda Wing		Indefinite	

Supporting Hands Nurse Family Partnership

Jackie Meier	1 year	January	2025
Dennis Welgraven * Alternate	1 year	January	2025

Transit Committee

David Thiner	1 year	January	2025
Lori Gunnink * Alternate	1 year	January	2025
County Administrator	1 year	January	2025

Western Mental Health Center

Dennis Welgraven	1 year	January	2025
Jackie Meier * Alternate	1 year	January	2025