

## Minnehaha County Commission Conducts its First Meeting of 2025

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The Minnehaha County Commission conducted its first official meeting of the year on Tuesday, January 7, 2025. Commissioners Heisey and Karsky were sworn in at the meeting. This will be Commissioner Heisey's first term on the Commission, and Commissioner Karsky's third term.

"I am just thrilled to be in this position," said Commissioner Karsky. "It is what I love to do, and I am just happy to represent the voters and citizens of Minnehaha County."

"I am so very happy to be serving the county and look forward to a bright, positive future this year," said Commissioner Heisey. "You're welcome to reach out, I want to be very communicative over my term."

The Commission elected Commissioner Karsky to serve as chair and Commissioner Jen Bleyenbergh to serve as vice-chair. The County Commission elects its chair and vice chair annually at the first meeting of the year. The Commissioner salaries increased 5.5% to \$36,358.40. The Commission Chair receives an additional \$1,518.40.

The Minnehaha County Commission also designated the official county newspapers for 2025. It is required by SDCL 7-18-3 to designate at least three legal newspapers, but the Minnehaha County Commission has designated four legal newspapers since 2019. The Dakota Scout, Brandon Valley Journal, Garretson Gazette, and Minnehaha Messenger were designated as the 2025 legal newspapers for Minnehaha County.



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