

Minutes
Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO)
Board of Directors Meeting (#553)
Thursday, June 26, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
The Warrior (Ballroom), 525 6th Street, Sioux City, Iowa

Members Present:

Jon Winkel, <i>Chair</i>	Mayor	Sergeant Bluff, IA
Dan Moore, <i>Vice Chair</i>	Council Member	Sioux City, IA
Kelly Kreber, <i>Secretary</i>	Mayor	Hinton, IA
Craig Anderson	Supervisor	Plymouth County, IA
Ken Beaulieu	Supervisor	Dakota Dunes CID, SD
Shane Bellefy	Supervisor	Cherokee County, IA
Julie Burhoop	Commissioner	North Sioux City, SD
Jennifer Conner	Mayor	Washta, IA
Tom Kimmel	Commissioner	Union County, SD
Mark Monson	P & Z Commissioner	Sergeant Bluff, IA
Vince Phillips	Supervisor	Monona County, IA
Craig Schmidt	Mayor	Cherokee, IA

Non-voting Members/Staff/Guests Present:

April Joy	Mayor Pro Tem	Washta, IA
Katie Towler	Director	Northeast Community College
Tim Jacobs	Guest	North Sioux City, SD
Michelle Bostinelos	Executive Director	SIMPCO
Joshua Bush	Finance Director	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson	Regional Planning Mngr.	SIMPCO
Brian Pearson	Transit Dir./Facilities Mngr.	SIMPCO/SRTS
Sharon Burton	Executive Assistant	SIMPCO

Chair Jon Winkel called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Chair Winkel asked if there were any additions or corrections to the June 26, 2025 regular meeting agenda.

Craig Schmidt moved to approve the June 26, 2025 regular meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Dan Moore. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

a. Board of Directors Regular Meeting #551, April 10, 2025: Chair Winkel asked if there were any additions or corrections to the regular meeting minutes.

b. Board of Directors Special Meeting #552, May 29, 2025: Chair Winkel asked if there were any additions or corrections to the special meeting minutes.

Mark Monson moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 10, 2025 and the special meeting minutes of May 29, 2025 as presented, seconded by Craig Anderson. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

3. **DIRECTOR REPORT:** Executive Director Michelle Bostinelos provided an overview of the report included in the meeting packet.

4. **FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

- a. **April 30 / May 31, 2025 Financial Reports:** Finance Director Joshua Bush provided an overview of the financial reports included in the meeting packet. Revenues for all SIMPCO Divisions total \$2,165,599 and expenditures \$2,002,106 for a balance of \$163,493 as of May 31, 2025.

The Executive/Finance Committee has reviewed the financial reports and recommends approval as presented.

Ken Beaulieu moved to accept the recommendation of the Executive/Finance Committee and approve the April 30 / May 31, 2025 financial reports as presented, seconded by Kelly Kreber. No further discussion. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

- b. **King, Reinsch, Prosser & Co., L.L.P. Audit Contract:** Mr. Bush presented the audit services proposal received for the years ending June 30, 2025, 2026, and 2027 that was included in the meeting packet. He provided an overview of the scope of services and breakdown of costs for each fiscal year. Staff and the Executive/Finance Committee recommend to accept the proposal and continue audit services with King, Reinsch, Prosser & Co, L.L.P. for the next three fiscal years. Discussion followed

Dan Moore moved to approve the audit services proposal from King, Reinsch, Prosser & Co., L.L.P. as presented and extend the contract for years ending June 30, 2025, 2026 and 2027, seconded by Craig Anderson. No further discussion. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

5. **FY 2026 INSURANCE RENEWALS:**

- a. **Auto Owners (Property and Liability, Business Auto, Umbrella):**

- b. **Cyber/Crime:**

- c. **Directors and Officers Liability:**

Mr. Bush handed out copies of the insurance renewal proposals and provided an overview of proposed costs and premium benefits for each of the policies. Proposals were initially presented to the Executive/Finance Committee on June 11, 2025. Members tabled approval of renewals at that time and requested staff solicit additional bids for presentation, discussion and approval at the June 26 Board of Directors meeting. Discussion followed.

Mark Monson moved to approval all FY 2026 insurance renewals as presented, seconded by Dan Moore. No further discussion. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

6. **COMMUNITY SERVICES CONTRACTS:** Ms. Bostinelos provided an overview of the contracts presented for approval. She noted the Executive/Finance Committee have reviewed contract a. through j. and recommended approval of all as presented.

- a. City of Larrabee, Iowa, to complete Code of Ordinances Update, Total \$5,720.

- b. Village of Emerson, Nebraska, to complete a Blight and Substandard Determination Study and Workforce Housing Incentive Plan, Total \$4,992.

- c. City of Marcus, Iowa, to complete an Urban Revitalization Plan, Total \$1,872
- d. Village of Hubbard, Nebraska, to complete a Comprehensive Plan, Total \$6,240
- e. Iowa Department of Natural Resources to provide Facilitation Services for the Inkpaduta Water Trail Summer Speaker Series, Total \$4,960
- f. Iowa Department of Transportation, Rural Transportation Planning: FHWA SPR \$30,168, FTA 5311 \$49,130, STBG \$46,800, Total \$126,098, July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026
- g. Iowa Department of Transportation, Urban Transportation Planning: FHWA PL \$329,734, FTA 5305d \$58,789, Total \$388,523, July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026
- h. Nebraska Department of Transportation, Urban Transportation Planning: FHWA PL \$272,152 Federal, July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026
- i. South Dakota Department of Transportation, Urban Transportation Planning: FHWA PL \$74,657 Federal, July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026
- j. U.S. Economic Development Administration Planning Partnership Program Grant Award, total project award \$350,000, local match \$140,000, April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2028

Vince Phillips moved to accept the recommendation of the Executive/Finance Committee and approve contracts a. through j. as presented, seconded by Ken Beaulieu. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

- 7. **OTHER COMMENTS:** The next meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 12:00 p.m., in person at SIMPCO, 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, Iowa, with the Zoom option.
- 8. **ADJOURNMENT:** *Ken Beaulieu moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vince Phillips. Motion carried. [Unanimous]* Chair Winkel adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.