

**Minutes of Special Meeting  
Souris River Joint Water Resource Board  
Friday, April 24, 2026**

A special meeting of the board of directors of the Souris River Joint Water Resource District was called to order by Chairman David Ashley at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2026, after announcing that a quorum was present. The meeting was held via Teleconference/Microsoft Teams. Joint Board members in attendance were Jason Sorenson, Tom Klein, Dan Steinberger and Clif Issendorf.

The Agenda for the special meeting included the SRJB Legislative Support Contract and Memorandum of Understanding with Minot Park District.

Ryan Ackerman presented the Joint Board with information on the SRJB Legislative Support Contract. The Joint Board was provided the Services agreement between the Souris River Joint Board and Goettle Law, PLLC for legislative representation of the board during the 2027 legislative session.

**Tom Klein made a motion to approve the legislative support contract with Goettle Law Services and authorize the chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the SRJB. Dan Steinberger seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition.**

Ryan Ackerman next presented the Joint Board with information on the Memorandum of Understanding with the Minot Park District, which included a request for a covering over a feeding area for the giraffes. The Joint Board was provided the Memorandum of Understanding with the Minot Park District for the construction of the overhead canopy at the giraffe feeding platform in the zoo.

**Cliff Issendorf made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Minot Park District and authorize the chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the SRJB. Jason Sorenson seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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