

TOWN BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Town Board of South Shore met for its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 7:00pm at the South Shore Community Center. In attendance were board members J. Dolen, President, R. Ott and S. Johanson. Also in attendance were FO Zirbel, C. Werner, K. Nelson and P. Nelson. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by J. Dolen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by R. Ott to approve the agenda adding line items #9 to New Business and #1 and #2 and #3 to Other and S. Johanson recusing himself from New Business item #3 and Old Business #6 and #7. Motion to approve March minutes by J. Dolen seconded by S. Johanson. Motion passed unanimously. The financial report was given reflecting the following fund balances: General Fund \$96,277.46; Water Fund \$78,598.79; Water Surcharge Fund \$57,676.00; Sewer Fund \$119,905.91; Sewer Surcharge fund, \$39,248.47; Water deposits \$2,400.00; CD's \$33,410.32. Outstanding sewer loan principal balance 77,691.42. Warrants presented were as follows for a total of \$19,000.63.

GENERAL FUND: Boos Jennen Law Firm, legal, \$685.50, C N A Surety, bond renewal, 381.50; D. Ries, wages, \$55.41; Dept of Revenue, Liquor License renewals, \$450.00; Dependable Sanitation, garbage, \$228.00; EFTPS, payroll taxes, \$365.16; First Bank & Trust, supplies, \$774.84; ITC, phone and internet, \$97.62; M. Zirbel, wages/travel, \$1,993.50; Office Peeps, office supplies, \$137.07; Ottertail, streets/parks/center/garage, liquor store \$1,013.11; Print Em' Now, map, \$9.99; PWLA, donation from the town, \$1,200.00; South Shore 125th, final donation from town, \$5,000.00; South Shore Gazette, publishing, \$54.07; TLC Marine, mower service, \$295.00.

WATER FUND C. Werner, wages, \$173.16; EFTPS, Payroll Tax, \$28.70; Ottertail, electricity, \$223.14; SD Public Health Lab, water testing, \$40.00; Winwater, pump and motor, \$3051.11.

SEWER FUND C. Werner, Wages, \$173.16; EFTPS, Payroll Tax \$28.70; Ottertail, electricity, \$109.85; SD811, locates, \$1.05; RD USDA, Loan Payment, \$2,431.00. Motion was made by S. Johanson, seconded by J. Dolen to approve warrants but hold the Winwater bill until talking with the Fire Dept. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS (1) South Shore's 125th committee: Next meeting will be April 21, 2026, at 6:00pm at the community center. Everyone is encouraged to attend! A lot of progress has been made. Volunteers are needed. (2) Water/Sewer Maintenance report: The electrician has been at the new shed by the water tank. Maintenance is needed at the ponds. (3) Past due utility accounts: good progress is being made. (4) Replat of portion of School Street: working on signatures. (5) Municipal sales tax and use tax increase was state approved. The increase to 2% to align with most municipalities in the state, will become effective July 1, 2026.

(6) Sale of Municipal Building-The board is taking the recommendation of the special committee assigned to evaluate the Municipal Liquor Store and will be for sale next spring/summer. (7) Proposed renewal of Operating Agreement for Municipal on sale and off sale liquor establishment was presented and will be finalized. Motion by J. Dolen, seconded

by R. Ott, to approve with changes marked and identified by the board. Motion passed with two votes as S. Johanson recused himself.

(8) S. Olafson, 101 S Grandview St. wanted to get the discussion started with his Shouse proposal. The board will encourage S. Olafson to get property surveyed and contact the state to find out what their setbacks are by the highway. Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by S. Johanson to approve building design subject to compliance with state and Town setback requirements. Motion passed unanimously. (9) Weed control at PWL: J. Dolen and A. Heuer met with GFP and got the go ahead to proceed with the weed control project. Approximately 100 acres will be treated on Punished Woman's Lake with the help of LaBolt Farmer's Elevator. If you'd like to donate to help the cause, please contact J. Dolen.

NEW BUSINESS (1) Public Input: limited to 3 minutes and no action can be taken by the council on comments received on items not on this agenda: (a) A huge thank you to the anonymous donor for the generous gift of a glass door fridge. Your generosity is truly appreciated. (b) the recent Fish fry was a huge success! Thank you to everyone! It was the best one yet. (2) Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by S. Johanson to approve the renewal of Meyer's Recreation Liquor License RB-3145. Motion passed unanimously. (3) Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by R. Ott to approve the renewal of Scotty's Black Lab Tavern Liquor License RB-3462. Motion passed unanimously. (4) Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by R. Ott to approve the renewal of Snoozy's Liquor License RB-29621. Motion passed unanimously. (5) FO Zirbel presented the 2025 Annual report to the board. Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by S. Johanson, to accept the report. Motion passed unanimously. (6) The 2025 Water report was presented and reviewed. City water residents will receive a copy of the report in their May utility billing, and a copy will be available on the town's website.

OTHER BUSINESS: (1) World Insurance presented options with a higher deductible and a lower premium. The board opted to keep the current policy the way it is with Terrorism rejection. CD 12267 is up for renewal. The board asked FO Zirbel to see what the interest rate will be and if it isn't acceptable, seek out the most profitable alternative. (2) A new dock will be at the landing on Punished Woman's Lake. Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 7:00pm at the South Shore Community Center. Motion by J. Dolen, seconded by R. Ott to approve. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, J. Dolen moved, seconded by R. Ott, to adjourn at 8:10pm. Motion passed unanimously.
Jamie Dolen, President Michelle Zirbel, Finance Officer

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The South Shore Town Board met on April 7, 2026, at the Community Center. Present were board members J. Dolen (President), R. Ott, S. Johanson, FO Zirbel, C. Werner, K. Nelson, and P. Nelson. The agenda and March minutes were approved. Fund balances included: General \$96,277.46; Water \$78,598.79; Sewer \$119,905.91, with warrants totaling \$19,000.63.

Old Business highlights:

- South Shore's 125th committee meets April 21; volunteers are needed for the event.
- Maintenance issues addressed for water/sewer systems and ponds.
- Progress has been made on past due accounts and School Street replat signatures.
- Municipal sales and use tax will be increased to 2% as of July 1, 2026, to align with most municipalities in the state.
- Municipal Liquor Store will be listed for sale next spring/summer.
- Municipal Operating Agreement renewal approved with board recommendations
- Shouse proposal by S. Olafson approved pending compliance with state and Town setback requirements.
- Weed control project at Punished Woman's Lake is moving forward.

New Business highlights:

- Public input acknowledged, including thanks for a fridge donation and successful fish fry.
- Renewal of liquor licenses for Meyer's Recreation, Scotty's Black Lab Tavern, and Snoozy's approved.
- 2025 Annual and Water reports presented and accepted; city water residents will receive the report in May, and report will be posted on website.

Other Business:

- Insurance policy will keep its policy the way it is; CD renewal options reviewed.
- New dock planned for Punished Woman's Lake.

Next meeting scheduled for May 12, 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.