

# Sibley East Safety Meeting Minutes

**Date:** March 31, 2026

## Attendance Record

- **Present:** Randy Walsh, Amanda Feterl, Marge Erickson, Stephanie Brandt
  - **Absent:** Lonnie Seifert, Deb Perschau, Bob Pichelmann, Tim Harbo, Lindsey Neisen, Katie Haefs, Jeremy Wagner, Greg Elseth
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## 1. Old Business

### a. Underground Storage Tank (Fairgrounds)

- The committee discussed quotes for the removal of the underground storage tank.
- Removal is estimated at **\$14,000**, while a replacement above-ground tank would cost over **\$25,000**.
- Transport charges for smaller above-ground loads would increase fuel costs by **\$0.32 per gallon**.
- The committee is exploring alternatives, such as using local gas stations to eliminate tank maintenance and monitoring risks.
- Lonnie and Bob will continue to pursue contracts with local fuel suppliers to eliminate the need for the fuel tank.

### b. Wrestling Mats and Lift Safety

- A quote for a new wrestling mat was received at **\$12,500**, but it was deemed cost-prohibitive.
- Concerns were raised regarding the weight of the current yellow mat on the storage lift.
- Timothy Harbo recommended a specific weight inspection of the lift this summer.
- Staff advised against seating people directly beneath the unit for safety reasons.

### c. General Maintenance

- Science lab cabinets have been moved successfully.
  - Work continues on the shop dust collector.
  - Treadmill maintenance is underway, with one being serviced and another to be replaced through athletic funds.
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## 2. New Business

### a. Facility Report

- Outdoor facilities are being prepared for the spring season.
- Water has been turned on for the baseball grandstand, but irrigation systems remain off due to freezing risks.
- A potential remodel of the baseball concession stand by external parties was mentioned, though no formal proposal has been submitted.

### b. Health and Safety Training

- Vector training compliance is improving; food service staff have been removed from the list as they conduct independent training.
- Seven staff members have remaining credits to complete before the end of the school year.

### c. Playground Inspection

- A playground inspection is scheduled, and new wood chips were added recently.
  - The elementary school playground expansion is in the final fundraising stages.
  - The project is designed by a professional company to ensure proper safety spacing.
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## 3. Action Items

- **Lonnie Seifert & Bob Pichelmann:** Pursue options with the Fair Ground and local fuel suppliers to eliminate the need for the fuel tank.
- **Bob Pichelmann:** Schedule a formal weight and safety inspection for the wrestling mat storage lift by SMI.
- **Timothy Harbo:** Email remaining staff members regarding outstanding Vector training credits.