

Lincoln County Broadband Commission (LCBC)

May 2026 Meeting Information

Meeting Details: **Thursday, May 28, 2026**
5:30 pm
Lincoln County Service Center (801 N. Sales Street Merrill, WI 54452)
County Board Room (#255/257/260)
Online Access: <https://meet.google.com/bjz-oiso-gpx>

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Welcome & Introductions**
- 3. Public Comment**
- 4. Review & Consider Approval of Prior LCBC Meeting Minutes – March 23, 2026**
- 5. Consider Approval of 2026-27 LCBC Action Team and Executive Team Members**
- 6. Monthly Updates from LCBC Leadership & Partners**
 - a. Commission Chair
 - b. Public Service Commission (PSC)
 - i. *BEAD Program Updates*
 - c. Internet Service Providers (ISP)
 - i. *Charter RDOF Project Implementation*
 - ii. *Other ISPs*
 - d. Action Team Members
- 7. Annual Review of Lincoln County Broadband Plan**
- 8. Digital Pathways Program**
 - a. Roundtables Updates & Stakeholders Discussion
 - b. Potential Program Goals, Focus Areas, and Next Steps
- 9. Future LCBC Meetings Information**
 - a. Future Agenda Topic Suggestions
 - b. Confirmation of Next Commission Meeting Date/Time/Location
- 10. Meeting Adjournment**

Proposed Slate of Candidates for the 2026-27 Lincoln County Broadband Commission Action Team

- **RENEWING** (new terms to expire May 2029)
 - Amanda Patterson, *Merrill Area Public Schools*
 - Earl Welker, *Town of Schley (Planning Commission)*
 - Ken Wickham, *Town of Harrison (Resident)*
- **REPLACING FORMER MEMBERS**
 - Don Nelson, *Lincoln County Board of Supervisors (City of Tomahawk/Town of Bradley area)*
 - Replacing Jennifer Bishop, *Town of Bradley (Broadband Rep)*
 - For completion of term ending May 2027

Proposed slate of candidates for 2026-27 LCBC Executive Team:

Chair	Ken Wickham
Vice Chair	Tom Backen
Secretary	Sara Guild

PROPOSED Final 2026-27 Lincoln County Broadband Commission Action Team Members

Tom Backen (Vice Chair) Town of Skanawan (Broadband Rep.) <i>Term Exp: 2027</i>	Sara Guild (Secretary) Lincoln County Economic Dev. Corp. <i>Term Exp: 2027</i>	Amber Lambrecht CWAV LLC <i>Term Exp: 2028</i>
Tim McFadden Town of Harrison (Broadband Rep) <i>Term Exp: 2028</i>	Donald Nelson Lincoln County Board of Supervisors <i>Term Exp: 2027</i>	Heidi O'Hare Tomahawk Public Library <i>Term Exp: 2028</i>
Amanda Patterson Merrill Area Public Schools <i>Term Exp: 2029</i>	Earl Welker Town of Schley Planning Commission <i>Term Exp: 2029</i>	Ken Wickham (Chair) Town of Harrison (Resident) <i>Term Exp: 2029</i>