

**Lincoln County Land Services Committee
Minutes of Thursday, August 13, 2026 3:30pm
Lincoln County Service Center, Room #257**

(Meeting recording is available on the Lincoln County website: co.lincoln.wi.us)

MEMBERS PRESENT In-Person: Marty Lemke, Bill Bialecki, Randy Detert, Julie DePasse, Dean Lemke, Andrew Tomaszewski, and Andy Zelinski

MEMBERS PRESENT Teleconference: none

MEMBERS ABSENT: Elizabeth McCrank (excused).

DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF In-Person: Sarah Koss (Register of Deeds), Mike Huth (Land Services Administrator), Thomas Boisvert (Conservation Program Manager), Lucas Williams (Forestry Administrator), and Elizabeth Peronto (Program Assistant)

VISITORS In-Person: Earl Welker, Jeremy Irish, Cade Strehlow, Luke Durkee, and Brent Loka

VISITORS Teleconference: Sara Guild

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Call Meeting to Order – Meeting was called to order by Chair Lemke at 3:30p.m.
2. Roll Call – Elizabeth McCrank absent (excused). All other members present.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Adopt Agenda –
M/S DePasse/Tomaszewski to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.
5. July 9, 2026 LSC Meeting Minutes – Peronto requested to correct the date of the meeting from July 7th to July 9th.
M/S DePasse/Zelinski to approve the 7/9/26 minutes as presented with the suggested correction. Motion carried on a voice vote.
6. July 23, 2026 LSC Meeting Minutes –
M/S DePasse/Detert to approve the 7/23/26 minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.
7. Public Comment – Earl Welker, Town of Schley Planning Commission Chair, expressed concerns regarding how the County is handling the Data Center discussion and approach towards regulations of the land use.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

8. Register of Deeds
 - a) Monthly Financial Reports – Koss presented the report. No discussion occurred.
 - b) Monthly Written Reports – Koss presented the report. No discussion occurred.
9. Land Services
 - a) Administrator Department/Programs Report – Huth and Boisvert presented the reports. Discussion occurred regarding shoreland conservation projects.
 - b) Monthly Financial Reports – Huth gave an overview of the financial report and asked if there were any questions. No discussion occurred.

OLD BUSINESS

10. Ad Hoc Committee Update – Huth and Depasse provided an update to the committee. Discussion occurred.

NEW BUSINESS

11. Agency Updates –

- a) APHIS – 2027 WDACP Lincoln County Budget – Cade Strehlow and Jeremy Irish, APHIS/USDA representatives, presented the proposed budget. Discussion occurred.

M/S DePasse/Bialecki to approve the 2027 WDACP Lincoln County Budget as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

- b) APHIS – 2027 Deer Donation Program Agreement - Strehlow and Irish presented the proposed agreement.

M/S Zelinski/DePasse to approve the 2027 Deer Donation Program Agreement. Motion carried on a voice vote.

12. Major Subdivision Plat – Hatchet Ridge Estates Final Plat (Durkee Builders LLC) – Mike Huth presented the final plat and staff report. Huth informed the committee that we did receive the recommendation from the Town of Bradley in the form of a formal action from the Town Board. No discussion occurred.

M/S DePasse/Bialecki to approve the Final Plat as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

13. Lumberjack RC&D Grant Application Review – Lincoln County Forestry

- a) Ament Lake Fishing Pier – Lucas Williams, Forestry Department Administrator, informed the committee that this request is rescinded.

- b) Larson Lake Fishing Pier - Lucas Williams, Forestry Department Administrator, presented the grant application. Discussion occurred.

M/S Bialecki/Zelinski to support the Larson Lake Fishing Pier grant application. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chair Lemke called for a recess at 3:56pm. The meeting will resume at 4:00pm

14. 4:00pm Public Hearings (See Public Hearing Notice.) Public Hearing was called to order at 4:00pm by Chair Lemke. Chair Lemke explained the rules of conduct for public hearings and introduced the Committee members and staff.

PETITION FOR REZONE

- c) A request by Loka and Sons Excavating LLC (Brent Loka) (Petitioner: Chris Fieri), to rezone tax parcel #02634072649995 from Forestry (F) to Rural Lands-4 (RL-4).

Chair Lemke asked for testimony in support of the request. There was none.

Chair Lemke asked for testimony from opponents of the request. There was none.

Chair Lemke asked for the staff report. Huth presented the staff report. Huth entered in to the record that the Town of Skanawan submitted their favorable recommendation. County staff recommends that the committee grant the rezone request.

M/S Bialecki/Zelinski to close the public hearing for this request. Motion carried on a voice vote.

M/S DePasse/Zelinski to approve the rezone request as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. Future Agenda Items – 3 public hearing items.
12. Confirm next meeting/public hearing date – The next meeting will be September 10, 2026 at 3:30pm with the Public Hearing to begin at 4:00pm.
13. Adjourn – M/S Bialecki/DePasse to adjourn at 4:08p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Minutes prepared by Elizabeth Peronto