

FOREST COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION-LAND INFORMATION-GIS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FOREST COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION-LAND INFORMATION-GIS-COMMITTEE
DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025
TIME: 3:30 PM
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM, ROOM 107

CALL TO ORDER:

Ron Skallerud called the meeting to order at 3:30PM

ROLL CALL:

Present: Land Conservation-Land Information-GIS Committee: Ron Skallerud, Ron Karl, Tom Tallier, and Brian Piasini

Absent: Scott Goode

UW-EXTENTION: Amber Rehberg, Area Extension Director (by phone)

Others Present: Heather Ostrowski

Land Information Council:

Present: Kayla Littleton, Stephanie Montgomery

Absent: Jamie Anderson, Cortney Britten Cleereman, Rick Denton, and Christy Conley

APPROVE AGENDA:

Motion by Tallier to approve the agenda, second by Piasini. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public Comment

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES

Motion by Karl to approve the LC-LI-GIS Committee minutes from May 28, 2025, second by Piasini. All present voting. AYE. Motion carried.

UW-EXTENSION

- a. There was a discussion on the Digital Navigator Post Grand Support Contract and Digital Navigator Budget, Line – Item Transfer. Motion made by Tallier to move forward in approving Amber Rehberg, Area Extension Director to move the grant funds, work with our Corporate Counsel to draft a contract for the independent contracting, and reallocate the funds as allowable under the grant. If for some reason its determined that it is not an allowable issue then committee will turn it back to UW Extension, so they can work with the Grantor, to find out how else to reallocate the funds.
If allowable, Rehberg can redistribute the funds in the grant, to any allowable expenditure, so that it is used up by the end of August 2025, second by Piasini. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

LAND CONSERVATION

- a. Littleton asked if there were any questions about the May 2025 Budget Report. No questions.
- b. Littleton informed the committee that there is no update on the Napoli Shkolnik PFAS Litigation.
- c. Discussion on the Kentuck Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District. Committee asked Littleton to contact the Vilas County Treasurer and find out how much of their land is actual taxable on Kentuck Lake. If they have taxable property, then they will have more interest in it than Forest County does and report back to Committee at our July meeting.
- d. There was an update given on the Land Conservation projects by Littleton. Lucas O'Brien, Conservation Technician, starting a few weeks ago and will be at our next meeting being held in July. Littleton informed committee that she received an email last week from Andrew Marzec, Wildlife Specialist & USA-APHIS- Wildlife Services (Wildlife Damaged Program) that he will be leaving. The Nonmetallic mining, Littleton did reclaim a pit this week. Mr. Adams down in Wabeno off of County Road C. Littleton and O'Brien flew the drone over it, got the evaluations, and the reclamations letter was mailed out to Mr. Adams today. A discussion was had on the total of non-metallic pits, and how many are reclaiming. Littleton is currently working on a new pit, and there has been some issues with it. Littleton will inform the committee on the status of the Nonmetallic permits at next months meeting.
- e. There was a discussion on three (3) travel request. Motion by Karl to approve the three (3) travel requests, second by Tallier. All present voting. AYE. Motion Carried.

LAND INFORMATION/GIS

- a. Littleton asked if there were any questions on the Land Information budget. No. questions
- b. There was an update given on the Land Information Projects by Littleton.
Littleton and Anderson are finishing up the County S project next week, and then this fall is when the Highway department plans on repaving it. Littleton and Anderson are still learning the new software to draft our own tie sheets. In the next two months they will be starting the 2026 project RFP, get it approved, and finalized by the end of the year.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Land Conservation/Land Information Budget updates

Non-Metallic pits - Update

Travel requests

Napoli Shkolnik PFAS lawsuit

UWEXT

Kentuck Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District

SET NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION

The next LC-LI-GIS Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at 3:30 pm in the County Board Room, 107.

ADJOURN

Motion by Karl to adjourn, second by Tallier. All present voted AYE. Motion carried.

4:00pm

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the next scheduled Land Conservation – Land Information – GIS Committee meeting.