



The Wisconsin Land Information Officers Network

WLION Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 19th, 2026, 8:00 am

The Union, 100 Main Street W, Ashland, WI

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88955857984?pwd=kilKS0W8SqUZN8z0XG2X4ceOnCcX0o.1>

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In Attendance (Name / Organization):

Adam Derringer, Ayres	Kim Meinert, Waukesha County
Adam Dorn, Winnebago County	Kimberly Christman, Racine County
Adam Wright, La Crosse County	Mike Friis, DOA
Andy Hess, Calumet County	Mitch Winiecki, ESRI
Brad Bastian, Outagamie County	Monique Hassman, Vernon County
Brett Budrow, St. Croix County	Nick Gamroth, Trempealeau County
Brittany Goudos-Weisbecker, Ashland County	Nick Anderson, Ayres
Cody Brommerich, Jackson County	Nicole Hoepfner, Dodge County (via Zoom)
Colter Sikora, PSC	Nina Rihn, DNR
David Poffinbarger, Oconto County	Peter Herreid, DOA
Diana Lewis, Ozaukee County	Rachel Wells, Dunn County (via Zoom)
Donna Liebergen, Florence County	Rob Sommers, Green County
Eric Damkot, Washington County	Sara Chiamulera, Oneida County (via Zoom)
Fred Iausly, Dane County	Scott Galetka, Bayfield County
Gerald Stanuch, Green Lake County	Scott Godfrey, Iowa County (via Zoom)
Grace White, LTSB	Stephanie Meeker, Green Lake County (via Zoom)
Jacqueline Schneider, Buffalo County	Stephanie Sattler, Waushara County (via Zoom)
Jennifer Borlick, Rock County	Suman Sirivella, Portage County
Joe Fleischmann, Sauk County	Tatum Fehrenbach, Sauk County (via Zoom)
John Grams, Columbia County	Tim Dahlen, Vernon County
John Tyson, DOT	Zach Felling, Eau Claire County (via Zoom)
Kevin Bruhn, Milwaukee County	Zakry Schwartz, Door County
Kevin Etherton, Pierce County (via Zoom)	

- 1. Call to Order** – Andy Hess called the meeting to order.
- 2. Approve Agenda** – Motion by Brommerich to approve agenda as presented; second by Borlick; motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Introduction of any new LIOs** – No new LIOs in attendance.
- 4. Approve Minutes from 2/25/2026** – Motion by Iausly to approve February 25, 2026 Minutes as presented; second by Grams; motion carried unanimously.
- 5. LION Board Activity Report** – Notification of report was sent out, and is posted to the LION website. Discussion was brief.
- 6. Discussion on Continued Web ADA Compliance for Land Information Websites and Applications** – Andy Hess. Looking to get the topic on the Fall EWUG agenda. Also looking to have a 15-20 minute presentation/conversation at our next LION meeting. The DOJ extended the deadline. If a government entity serves a population of 50,000 or more, the measures need to be in place by April 26, 2027. If the government entity is a special district or serves a population of less than 50,000, by April 26, 2028. Planning to host a hub site with ADA compliance resources/examples. A link to the hub site would be featured on LION's site.
- 7. Discuss DMA/Office of Emergency Communications Report** – Notification of report by Zach Hassler was sent out, and is posted to the LION website. Discussion was brief.
- 8. Discuss GIO Position and Role in Land Information Community** – The LION Board submitted a letter to DOA covering the Board's thoughts on the job description for the GIO position. We are hoping the GIO will prioritize collaboration with local government, particularly counties, and will serve as a leader and advocate for the state concerning the development of geospatial data resources and innovation.
- 9. Discuss LION Document Storage with WLIA** – Andy Hess. Document storage solution is in progress.
- 10. Wisconsin Land Information Program/DOA Update** – Peter Herreid. Recordings are up 10% from last year this time. Strategic Initiative will likely be 35-40k. 2027 Federal LiDAR grant planning underway, app due early September.
- 11. Wisconsin Land Information Council Update** – John Grams, Columbia County (LION rep on WLIC). Regarding the vacant state GIO position, WLIC will ask LION for a letter explaining why the position is needed. The purpose is simply to keep the ball rolling for hiring. WLIC is actively working on updating the Wisconsin Land Information Program Plan (most recent update having been 2016). LION should provide input.
- 12. State Agency Geospatial Information Committee Update** – Nina Rihn, Secretary of SAGIC. SAGIC is hosting its 3rd annual 1-day GIS Symposium. Will have a virtual option. The target audience is state staff, but all are welcome to attend. SAGIC continues to discuss 'state

boundary' issues, as well as website accessibility. Christine Koeller with DOT did a presentation on ADA compliance for PDF maps. The presentation recording can be located in the SAGIC document library. Other topics SAGIC has addressed recently; BCPL efforts on special tax district mapping (chuckk.failing@wisconsin.gov), tribal boundary updates, the state GIO position (submitted a letter to DOA), and the impact of AI on security and workflows.

13. Legislative Technology Services Bureau Update – Grace White for Zach Robinson. 2030 redistricting BBSP (phase 1) internal deadline expired on Friday, May 15. Reach out to Zach ASAP if you still have block edits to suggest. January 2027 is verification phase (phase 2). BAS/Ward Collection will open on July 1st. You do not need to document annexations in July. LTSB is beginning to coordinate county edge-matching. There is a project to improve accuracy on Great Lakes/Lake Winnebago shorelines (already working with the impacted counties).

14. Legislative Updates – Nik Anderson and Nick Gamroth, chair and vice-chair, respectively, of WLIA Legislative Committee. Not a lot going on presently. Looking to identify stakeholders for future WLIP funding bill efforts. Looking for support from WCA, not just from the organization itself but also from the individual members/individual counties. WCA has upcoming sessions in June for which it may make sense to get on the agenda. Next steps will materialize after the November elections.

15. Good of the Order – No additional topics introduced. People on Zoom reported having trouble hearing, but had no specific follow up questions when asked.

16. Adjourn – Motion by Christman to adjourn; second by Borlick; motion carried unanimously.

Minutes submitted by Rob Sommers, LION Secretary. These minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to approval/modification by the Land Information Officers Network.

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