

**SHEBOYGAN COUNTY PLANNING, RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE & EXTENSION
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Sheboygan County UW-Extension Office
5 University Drive
Sheboygan, WI
Room 5024

October 27, 2026

Called to Order: 3:30 PM

Adjourned: 4:20 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Rebecca Clarke, Supervisor John Nelson,
Supervisor David Otte, Supervisor Joe Liebau Jr, Supervisor
Brian Smith (online)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ag Community Member Travis Luedke

OTHERS PRESENT: Aaron Brault, Tyler Betry (online), Sharon Harvey, Laura
Grunwald-Rentmeester, Jayna Hintz, Michael Miller (online),
Paide MTP (online)

Chairperson Clarke called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM and verified the meeting notice had been posted on October 23, 2026, at 11:00 AM and the meeting complied with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

To recommend by resolution the 2026 update to the Sheboygan County Farmland Preservation Plan. According to Wisconsin Statute 66.1001, Sheboygan County must update their Farmland Preservation Plan no later than January 1, 2027 in order to continue the legally administer the Farmland Preservation Program which offers tax incentives to farmers that are eligible for the program.

Chairperson Clarke opened the public hearing at 3:37 PM.

Chairperson Clarke noted that the public hearing notice was posted on September 18th in compliance with state statute.

Ms. Grunwald-Rentmeester presented the updates made to the County Farmland Preservation Plan and answered questions from the committee.

Chairperson Clarke invited the members of the public in attendance to speak three times. There were no public comments.

Public Hearing closed at 3:41 PM.

Supervisor Nelson made a motion to approve the resolution. Supervisor Liebau seconded the motion. The motion carried with no opposition.

UW Extension-

Area Extension Director Report- Ms. Hintz provided an update on the staff reports for their programs, which can be found listed on their website. The program updates highlight educational programming, outreach efforts, partnerships, and community engagement activities conducted throughout the reporting period.

Area Extension Director Facilitate Extension Community Needs Assessment Discussion- Ms. Hintz asked members of the committee the items listed on the agenda attachment. The committee members engaged in discussions around the current goals, challenges, and opportunities for collaboration.

Positive Youth Development 4-H Educator Report- Sarah Feider- Ms. Feider presented on the completed projects and events of the program in the recent months.

Other Department Project and Program Management Updates- Mr. Brault updated the committee on the department's tree and shrub sale, the completion of the new Marsh storage building, the approval of the RCPP Grant, and discussed the latest news on the transmission lines.

Consideration and Approval of Attendance at Other Meetings/Functions. None

Travel Report and Report of Meetings and Functions Attended. None

Review and Approve Vouchers. Supervisor Liebau motioned and Supervisor Nelson seconded to approve the vouchers. Motion carried with no opposition.

Supervisor Liebau motioned to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried with no opposition. Meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 24, 2026 at 3:30PM.

Sharon Harvey
Recording Secretary

Joe Liebau Jr.
Committee Secretary