



GREEN COUNTY LAND USE & ZONING
Monday, May 11, 2026 at 3:00 PM
1016 16th Ave
Monroe, WI

LAND USE & ZONING MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Zoning and Land Use Committee was held in the County Board Room at the Green County Courthouse in Monroe on Monday, May 11, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Zoning Administrator Wiegel. A roll call was taken and those present at the meeting included Dennis Schwartz, Todd Larson, Steve Donovan and Kathy Pennington. Dawn Leach was excused. Also present at the meeting were Adam Wiegel, Green County Zoning Administrator and Angela MacLennan, Assistant Green County Corporation Counsel.

2. Election of Officers: Chair and Vice Chair

Wiegel conducted the election for the office of Committee Chair: a motion by Larson, seconded by Pennington to nominate Dennis Schwartz. No other nominations were made. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Schwartz conducted the remainder of the election. For the office of Vice-Chair, motion by Larson, second by Donovan to nominate Kathy Pennington. No other nominations were made. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes

i. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

Motion by Pennington, second by Larson to approve the April 13, 2026, Zoning Committee Minutes. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Approval of Bills

Motion by Larson, seconded by Donovan to approve the Zoning Departments Bills. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. Public Comment (Limit 3 minutes per person)

No members of the public present gave comment.

6. Business

i. Continue a public hearing including discussion and possible action from landowner BSE Ventures, LLC to rezone approximately 29.43 acres in section 4, Town of Clarno. The request is relative to the rezoning of a parcel of land from the Agricultural district to the Industrial District. Rezoning is proposed by the applicant for a grain receiving facility.

A public hearing was continued related to application 2026-182 from BSE Ventures, LLC to rezone approximately 29.43 acres in section 4, Town of Clarno. The request is relative to the rezoning of a parcel of land from the Agricultural District to the Industrial District. For testimony and evidence presented at the public hearing, refer to shared/public hearings, APP 2026-182-2. After hearing all testimony and evidence presented at the public hearing,

Pennington made a motion that was seconded by Donovan to approve the rezoning request. The motion carried by 3-0 vice vote, with Larson abstaining.

- ii. Discussion and possible action in regard to possible amendments to the County code pertaining to short-term rentals

The Committee reviewed the updated ordinance amendments prepared by the Corporation Counsel's office. The Committee would like to add fire pit regulations under section 4-3-3-7:G. Motion by Pennington, seconded by Donovan to approve the ordinance amendments and schedule a public hearing. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- iii. Discussion and possible action in regard to proposed amendments to the County code pertaining to data center regulations

The Committee discussed the possibility of having a moratorium on data centers. They reviewed letters received by towns and citizens regarding data centers. Motion by Pennington, seconded by Larson, to have Corporation Counsel draft an initial one-year moratorium on data centers. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

7. Updates

- i. Board of Adjustment

Wiegel gave the Committee an update in regard to this and last month's Board of Adjustment activity.

8. Committee raised topics – Items may only be discussed and any item requiring action must be placed on a future committee agenda

Pennington asked what the Committee wanted her to discuss at the Towns association meeting. The Committee recommended data centers and the new fire number process.

9. Set date, time, and location for next meeting

The Committee determined that the regular monthly meeting will be held on the second Monday of the month at 3:00 p.m. in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse.

10. Adjourn

Motion by Donovan, second by Pennington to adjourn. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.