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## Public Meeting Notice

**West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC)**

**10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 20, 2024**

**Bomaz Farms, 426 165<sup>th</sup> Street,**

**Hammond, WI 54015**

**Remote attendance option:**

**Telephone Dial In: 312-626-6799**

**Meeting ID: 898 2479 5401**

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## Agenda

1. **Call to Order - Chair Louie Okey**
2. **Welcome and Introduction of Commissioners and Guests - Okey**
3. **Welcome and Presentation from Bomaz Farms - Steve Schalla, Manager**
4. **Review and Approve Minutes of January 11, 2024, Commission Meeting - Okey**
5. **Review and Approve Disbursements - Okey**
6. **Contract Extensions for Business Loan Funds - Regional Business Fund Manager Tobi LeMahieu/Allen/Okey**
  - **Economic Development Administration (EDA) Revolving Loan Fund Sub-Grant and Management Agreement** with the Regional Business Fund, Inc. (ongoing since 1995)
  - **Technology Enterprise Fund (TEF) Loan Fund Sub-Grant and Management Agreement** with the Regional Business Fund, Inc. (ongoing since 2006)
  - **Consolidated Loan Fund Management Agreement** with the Regional Business Fund, Inc. (ongoing since 2007)
  - **EDA CARES Revolving Loan Fund Sub-Grant and Management Agreement** with the Regional Business Fund, Inc. (ongoing since 2020)

*Background: These four agreements are annual extensions of management service arrangements to provide for the administration of the listed business loan funds.*

*Potential Action: Review and approve each agreement separately.*

7. **Resolution 2024-02 Certifying Economic Development Administration (EDA) CARES ACT Recovery Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Plan - LeMahieu/Allen/Okey**

*Background: This is annually submitted to EDA certifying that the CARES ACT Recovery Assistance Revolving Loan Fund Plan is consistent with and supportive of the region and its economy.*

*Potential Action: Review and approve the Resolution.*

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8. **Annual Levy for 2025 Calendar Year – Allen/Okey**  
*Background:* Options will be presented and discussed for the annual levy amounts to be charged member counties for the 2025 calendar year. The Executive Committee met on March 14, 2024, and recommended a 3% increase (Option 4).  
*Potential Action:* Select and adopt the 2025 Annual Levy.
9. **Approval of Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) for the Funding of an Updated Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Sewer Service Area (SSA) Plan – Allen/Okey (This item was postponed from the Executive Committee meetings of February 8 and March 14, 2024.)**  
*Background:* The current SSA Plan was last fully updated in 2005-07, with only a partial policy update in 2017-18. Therefore a comprehensive update is needed. The Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO reviewed the anticipated plan update timeline at their meeting of January 31, 2024. The MPO's Technical Advisory Committee will guide the plan update process, WCWRPC will facilitate the plan update process, and WDNR will provide consultation and ultimate review and approval. WCWRPC staff provided a revised project proposal and scope of work to WDNR on January 24, 2024. WCWRPC proposed to commence the project on March 1, 2024, and received an update on March 5, 2024, that the agreement should be ready "in the next week or so." The agreement is for \$45,000 in WDNR funding through December 31, 2024, with a likely extension to mid-2025.  
*Potential Action:* Review and approve the agreement; postpone to the Executive Committee meeting of April 11, 2024; or other action.
10. **County Presentation – St. Croix County Farmland Preservation Plan – St. Croix County Community Development Director Jason Kjeseth and Land & Water Conservation Administrator Tim Stieber**  
*Background:* St. Croix County adopted an updated Comprehensive Plan on March 5, 2024. County staff will provide a presentation on the new plan, including the plan's Agriculture Chapter that serves as the County's Farmland Preservation Plan, as well as agricultural statistics and groundwater information.  
*Potential Action:* Informational only.
11. **Director's Report – Allen**  
*Background:* Director Allen will provide an update on project, budget, and staffing activities.  
*Potential Action:* Informational only.
12. **Any Other Business or Updates – Allen/Okey**
13. **Next Commission Meeting Date – Thursday, May 9, 2024; 10:00 a.m. – Banbury Place, Eau Claire**
14. **Next Executive Committee Meeting Date – Thursday, April 11, 2024; 10:00 a.m. – Banbury Place, Eau Claire**
15. **Adjournment**

**ATTENTION COMMISSIONERS: If you are unable to attend, please contact Erin Whyte at 715-836-2918 or [erwhyte@wccwrpc.org](mailto:erwhyte@wccwrpc.org) as counts are needed for quorum purposes.**