

**WILL COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS
2026 FARMLAND COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 10:31 AM

Roll Call: Present were, Susan McMillin, Board of Review Chairperson; Dale Butalla, Supervisor of Assessments; Iris Shaw, Deputy Supervisor of Assessments; Jeff Haas, Farmland Committee Member; Lyle Tewes, Farmland Committee Member; Dan Ward, Farmland Committee Member and Carol Pellegrini, Secretary.

Public Comments: None

Old Business: A motion was made to accept the minutes from the July 24, 2024 meeting.

Motion by: Mr. Tewes
Seconded by: Mr. Haas
Aye: 5
Opposed: 0

MOTION CARRIED

New Business: *Review or 2026 certified values of farmland proposed by IDOR and implementation of procedures proposed.* Ms. Shaw stated that the PI EAV has increased. She reviewed the increases per category:

Cropland must be assessed at the full amount of the certified EAV that corresponds to its debased PI, but no lower than 1/3 of the value for the lowest PI certified, assessment year 2026, \$145.24 per acre.

Permanent Pasture must be valued at one-third of its debased PI EAV as cropland, but no lower than 1/3 of the value for the lowest PI certified, assessment year 2026, \$72.64 per acre.

Other farmland must be valued at one-sixth of its PI EAV, but no lower than 1/6 of the value of the lowest PI certified, for assessment year 2026, \$72.64 per acre.

Ms. Shaw, referring to a prior meeting several years ago, that Ms. Brenda Matherly, Illinois Farm Bureau Director of Local Government, projected that the prices would rise for approximately 15 years then level off.

Mr. Tewes asked if Ms. Matherly could be invited to the next meeting to address the question of "what is the projected year the prices level off".

Ms. Shaw said she would reach out to and invite Ms. Matherly to attend and address their questions, closer to the next scheduled meeting.

A motions was made to accept the 2026 certified farmland assessed values recommended by the IDOR.

Motion by: Mr. Ward
Seconded by: Mr. Haas
Aye: 5
Opposed: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Other: Mr. Haas stated that there are three parcels that are no longer being farmed. The parcel numbers are 11-04-35-200-025-0000, 16-05-20-200-005-0000 and 18-13-10-300-001-0000.

Ms. Shaw said she would review and correct the status of those parcels.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Ms. Shaw suggested the next meeting be held Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 10:30 AM.

Ms. McMillin asked if an earlier start time would work better for the Farm Committee Members.

After some discuss, the Farm Committee Members agreed that meeting start time should be 9:00 AM.

Mr. Ward asked if he could receive notification of the meeting via email as well as USPS.

Ms. Shaw said she will send the meeting invitation via email and USPS. She asked the members to provide their email addresses. She assured them that an evite, along with a letter via USPS will be sent a month prior to the next scheduled meeting. She will also send a reminder a week prior to the scheduled meeting.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn until Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 9:00 AM.

Motion by: Mr. Tewes

Seconded by: Mr. Haas

Aye: 5

Opposed: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:44 A.M.

