

LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

January 9, 2012
Regular Meeting

Present: Stuchlak, Morgan, James, Licitar, Bork. **Excused:** Keckeisen, England.

Call to Order: Chair Stuchlak called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in Adams County Courthouse Conference Room A231.

Was the meeting properly announced? Yes.

Agenda: Motion by James/Bork to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Previous Minutes: Motion by Morgan/Licitar to approve the minutes for the December 12, 2011, L&WCC meeting. Approval carried unanimously.

Public Participation: Chair Stuchlak stated that public participation would be taken “as we go.”

Wildlife Abatement Claims Report: None.

WDNR Report: None.

NRCS Report: Michelle Komiskey reported the following: application deadline for the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) is February 3, 2012; the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Plan (WHIP) is not taking applications this year; the budget for 2012 is anticipated as probably about the best year for the next few years; there is quite an extensive EQIP project-list currently, and NCRS will be pushing for contract holders to be on schedule.

2011 December L&WCC Monthly Report: A few questions were asked and answered about December’s activities. The new LCWD website is “adamscountylwcd.net”. It is up and running as of January 3, 2012, with several pages still under construction, but off to a good start.

Central Wisconsin Windshed Partners report. Licitar reported that two projects for 2012 are a storage unit at Easton Dam, and provision for a maximum of \$36,000 for about 16.6 miles of windbreak.

North Central Land and Water Conservation Association report. None.

Golden Sands Resource, Conservation, and Development report. None.

USDA Farm Services Agency report. None, but Bork reported that on Thursday, January 12, 2012, the big, production report would be coming out, something to perhaps watch for.

December 2012, Financial report. Murphy indicated that overall, we came pretty close to ending on the positive. There was discussion of the negative balance regarding the SWRP account's Contracted Services. The Dam Maintenance Account is negative as anticipated. A discussion centered around possible ways to accomplish a transfer of the remaining balance of funds from the Natural Resources Account to cover other completed projects.

Resolution to Authorize Application for WDNR Conservation Aids for Petenwell Flowage Musky Stocking. Motion by James/Licitar to approve a resolution to apply for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Conservation Aids grant regarding stocking muskies in Petenwell Flowage; motion carried unanimously.

2012 Land and Water Conservation Department's Plan of Operation. Committee reviewed the 2012 LWCD Plan of Operations and inquired about and discussed various actions in the plan. In addition several additional actions were enumerated and approved for inclusion in the plan. Motion to approve the 2012 Plan of Operation, as amended, James/Bork; carried unanimously.

Transfer of HP Color LaserJet 8550N Printer to County Clerk's Office. Committee, by consensus agreed to transfer the HP Color LaserJet 8550N printer currently in the LWCD office to the County Clerk's Office, pursuing the Property Committee's approval. Discussion followed regarding seeking a centrally-located replacement color printer/copier to be available for the LWCD's access and use.

Communications: 1.) Stuchlak reported on his conversations with Senator Olsen regarding the DATCP Staff Allocation Plan. 2.) There was discussion centered on the pending legislations regarding proposed changing of classification options for Drainage Districts. 2.) There was discussion anticipating a possible update before the February LWCD committee meeting, from Mr. Chuck Pheiffer regarding the change of ownership of Friendship Dam.

Items for February 2012 L&WCC Meeting: 1.) Update on Friendship Dam matter. 2.) Distribution of the revised 2012 LWCD Plan of Operations.

Next Meeting Date: February 13, 2012 at 9am

Motion to Adjourn: Made at 10:20 am, James/Licitar; carried unanimously.

Minutes recorded by Ron Pufall, L&WCD Clerk//Secretary