

**LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
JANUARY 13, 2014 – 1:00 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM A-231**

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Al Sebastiani, Chair, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting was properly announced.

Attending: Al Sebastiani; Barb Morgan; Glenn Licitar; Joe Stuchlak; Kevin Bork; Terry James; Heidi Roekle; Trena Larson; Wally Sedlar; Reesa Evans; Chuck Sibilsky; and Michelle Harrison, recording secretary.

Motion by Morgan/Roekle, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Licitar/Roekle, to approve the Minutes of December 9, 2013. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Morgan/Stuchlak to deviate from the agenda and move to item 8. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public participation as we go.

**Report on Duck Creek Activities-** Bill Euclide gave a report on the Duck Creek Watershed advisory group – this Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Adams Town Hall they will hold their monthly meeting and the WDNR will be giving a presentation on the history of Duck Creek and what the future might hold. Euclide stated that they recently had their elections for their board. He thanked Robin Skala and Joe Stuchlak for their three years of dedication.

**Wildlife Abatement and Claims-** none

**Discuss and/or act on Operational agreement and resolution between Adams County and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.** Sedlar stated that he reviewed the agreement. He stated that everything is workable in the agreement.

Motion by James/Licitar to approve the resolution for the agreement between Adams County and the NRCS. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Michelle Komiskey/NRCS stated that she is looking forward to working more with the department. She also mentioned that the Conservation aid deadline has been extended.

**WNDR-** none

**Report on L&WC department activities-** report in packet, no questions were asked.

**Report on Central Wisconsin Windshed Partners-** none

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**Report on Golden Sands Resource Conservation and Development-** Stuchlak will be attending the meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2014.

**Report on USDA Farm Services Agency-** Bork reported that the lowered the corn yield prices for 2013. He also read an article from a Farming/Agricultural magazine.

**Financial report-** The committee reviewed the financial report. Discussion took place. Motion made by Roekle/James to approve the financials. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Discuss and/or act on paying the 2014 WLWCA dues. Discussion occurred. Motion made by James/Roekle to pay the WLWCA dues.** Motion carried by unanimous vote. Amendment was made by James that the money used to pay the dues needs to come out of the 2014 budget and not to come out of the contingency fund.

**Discuss and/or act on Sedlar and Sibilsky attending the WLWCA Annual Conference.** Discussion occurred. Sedlar stated that if they are allowed to attend this conference all of the money budgeted for training will be used for the two of them to attend the WLWCA Conference. He gave a hand out showing how much training was issued through the years and this year it was decreased substantially to \$506.00. Motion made by Roekle/James to approve sending Sedlar and Sibilsky to the WLWCA Conference. Motion carried by unanimous vote. It was stated that for any further training it would need to come before the committee for approval.

**Discuss and/or act on resolution to apply for grant to inventory 14 mile creek, Big Roche a Cri, and Little Roche a Cri watersheds.** Discussion occurred. Motion made by James/Licitar to approve the resolution to apply for a grant for the inventories. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A handout was given that showed the correction for payroll that will be included in the actual grant application.

**Discuss and/or act on resolution to apply for municipal dam grant through the WDNR for Cottonville dam repairs.** Discussion occurred. Grant is due Jan 22, 2014. Sedlar gave an explanation as to why he chose the Cottonville Dam over Sherwood and Arrowhead seal repair. Motion made by Morgan/Roekle to apply for municipal dam grant. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Discuss and/or act on resolution to apply for WDNR Educational Lake Planning Grant for 500 waterfront property owners' packets.** Verbiage in the resolution states that a grant previously applied for, but only granted in part, was included in the 2014 budget. So there would be no additional costs to the county. However, this is not the case so the resolution needs to be pulled and revised.

**Discuss and/or act on remainder of funds left over from 2013 and the purchase of a vehicle.** Trena Larson passed out information showing our overages in our budget. Discussion took place. Due to the County Conservationist position being open for 5 months, there is a surplus of money. Sedlar explained to the committee that we are in need of a fourth vehicle in our

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department. We have 5 employees in the department and only 3 vehicles. We have received grant money for NR 151 in the Tri-Lakes area, a vehicle is needed to complete this grant. Sedlar received a bid for \$28,900. Discussion took place. A motion was made by James/Bork to allow Sedlar to seek bids for a pickup truck not to exceed \$30,000.00. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Once the bids are received to bring it back to the committee to decide how the vehicle will be paid for.

**Communications:** Nutrient Management training brochure was handed out. Sedlar will be one of the instructors for this free training offered through a grant received. WLWCA handout was given – requesting any donations for the WLWCA conference.

The next meeting is set for February 10, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Motion at 2:15 p.m. by Roekle/Licitar to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Harrison  
Recording Secretary

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