## LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 14, 2014 – 1:00 P.M. CONFERENCE ROOM A-231

#### <u>Minutes</u>

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

Attending: Al Sebastiani; Glenn Licitar; Joe Stuchlak; Kevin Bork; Heidi Roekle; Rocky Gilner sitting in for Terry James; Wally Sedlar and Michelle Harrison, recording secretary. Barb Morgan was excused.

Motion by Roekle/Bork to approve the agenda. Passed unanimously.

Motion by Licitar/Roekle to approve the minutes of March 13, 2014. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public participation as we go.

#### Wildlife Abatement and Claims- none

**Report on NRCS** – Michelle Komiskey reported that the NRCS is waiting on the roll down of the Farm Bill to fund 2014. There were 10 EQIP applicants for Adams County, 6 Honey Bee pollinator applicants and 4 applications for the Stewardship program. There may be another cover crop sign up yet this year. This fall the local work group meeting will be with other counties as well. The funds will be shared between the three counties; Adams, Marquette and Waushara.

#### Report on WNDR- none

**Report on L&WC department activities-** report in packet. Question was asked about the Envirothon and the 2 donations. We have received 2 donations but are still short on funds by \$70.00 for the lodging. Questions were asked about the Fish

Farm. Wally stated that after reading over the storm water runoff ordinance that Rand will need to submit an application for a stormwater runoff permit.

### Report on Central Wisconsin Windshed Partners- none

**Report on Golden Sands Resource Conservation and Development**- Sedlar gave a report. Golden Sands will be offering grant writing and managed grazing plans. Next meeting is May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Report on USDA Farm Services Agency**- Bork gave 2014 estimates for acres of crops to be planted. The differences from 2013 were also given.

**Report on Duck Creek Activities-** Bill Euclide reported that they will still be going over their 5 year plan athe their next meeting. Beaver dams still continue to be an issue. He stated they will also be discussing Burr Oaks. He invited everyone to attend their meetings which are typically the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at the Adams Town Hall.

**Financial report-** Discussion took place. Motion to approve the financial report, made by Stuchlak/Roekle. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

# THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED

**Discuss and/or act on cost share agreement.** Sibilsky reported that there are three cost shares all at \$5,000. One on Castle Rock and two at Petenwell. Adams County Castle Rock Park, Hasse, and Kastern. Motion by Licitar/Stuchlak to approve the three cost shares. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Discuss and/or act on contribution/donation letter sent to lake associations.** Stuchlak asked how long the department had been sending this letter to the Lake Associations. He also wanted a total of how much was donated over the years. Sedlar stated that he would have that information by the next meeting. Stuchlak stated that this should be listed in the budget as its own line item. The monies collected should strictly be used for AIS activities and not be added to the general fund.

**Discuss the DNR AIS grant application and DNR inventory application results.** Sedlar told the committee that we did receive an AIS grant for 2015 only. He understood that these grants would no longer be for a two year period. Sedlar stated that we did not receive the inventory grant.

**Discuss and/or act on Wally Sedlar attending the spring and fall County Conservationist meeting with WLWCA.** Discussion occurred. Motion by Roekle/Bork to allow Sedlar to attend the WLWCA Spring and Fall training meetings. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Communications:** Sedlar stated that he would be attending the Public Hearing for Burr Oaks on April 15, 2014. He mentioned that he attended a meeting for Klein Creek/Toltzman/Bula's. At this point it was recommended that the property be professionally surveyed and then a decision can be made from there. Tree and Shrub sale is hopefully going to take place May 2 & 3<sup>rd</sup> – weather cooperating. The New Chester digester is about 30-60 days out until construction takes place.

**Items for next meeting**: Update on Fish Farm and donation totals from Lake Associations.

The next meeting is set for May 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Motion by Roekle/Licitar to adjourn at 2:20pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Al and Glenn were thanked for all their years of service to the County.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Harrison Recording Secretary