

LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Sept 14, 2015 – 1:00 P.M.

Courthouse Conference Room: A231

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chair Stuchlak at 1:00pm. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted. Roll call was made.

Present: Committee Members: Joe Stuchlak, Onie Karch, Paul Pisellini, Heidi Roekle, Barb Morgan, and Dan Wysocky. Kevin Bork was excused. Wally Sedlar and Michelle Harrison were also present. *Concerned citizens:* Bob Berry, Richard Matzke, Larry Swaziek, Don Fornasier, and Bill Euclide *Technical advisors:* Meagan Hoffmann NRCS

Motion by Roekle/Wysocky to approve the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Roekle/Pisellini to approve the minutes of August 10, 2015 as written. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Report on Wildlife Abatement- none

Report on NRCS- Meagan reported that Michelle Komiskey is leaving the office at the end of the month, which will just leave her and Scott in the office. Oct 2nd is the deadline for EQIP.

Report on WDNR- None.

Report on L&WC department activities- report in packet. Pisellini asked if the dam repairs have been completed at Lake Arrowhead and Sherwood. Sedlar stated that the repairs are complete at both dams however Lake Arrowhead gate does have a small pin hole that at some time will need be fixed.

Report on Central Wisconsin Windshed Partners- none

Report on Golden Sands Resource Conservation and Development- meeting is this Thursday.

Report on USDA Farm Services Agency- none

Report on Duck Creek Activities- Euclide stated that at their meeting last month Sue Porter from DATCP came and spoke to the group about the 590 plan and answered their questions.

Discuss and/or act on involvement with Friendship Dam. Sedlar stated he still has the same stance, “the county is not buying the Friendship Dam.” Sedlar researched how the other dams in the county were acquired in the past and it shows we were paid to take these dams or they were given to us. Discussion took place. Bob Berry representing Village of Friendship stated that he was going to request at the Village Board meeting that they hire an outside law firm for a second opinion to verify if the Village of Friendship owns the operating permit for the dam. More discussion took place. Swaziek thanked Sedlar for attending their last Friendship Lake Association meeting. Stuchlak stated that this topic needs to be placed on next month’s agenda.

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Discuss and/or act on the LWRMP plan – Sedlar indicated that DATCP has pushed back our presentation date to the first week in December, unbeknownst to us we were supposed to have sent in our presentation a month prior. Sedlar reported that we are still trying to get soil calculations for the county and we have not been able to get any data for the TMDL from the DNR. Once we present for DATCP in December we will then present to County Board for final approval.

Discuss and/or act on MFL resolution—on Oct 26, 2015 the County Board members will be meeting in a Strategic Planning meeting and the topic of how important it is to buy county land and the process will be discussed.

Motion made by Roekle/Wysocky to amend the agenda to remove the ordinance number in line item 12. Motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and/or act on Ordinance 18-2014 Regulating Distribution of Manure by Spray Irrigation. Ordinance 18-2014 has sunset, a new ordinance with updated dates was given in the packet. Discussion took place in regards to New Chester Dairy and moving manure through irrigation. Motion made by Roekle/Wysocky to approve the Ordinance 2015 Regulating Distribution of Manure by Spray Irrigation. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial report for July and August—Discussion took place. Motion by Morgan/Pisellini to accept the financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and/or act on MOU with Tri-Lakes—Discussion took place in regards to updated verbiage in the MOU. Motion made by Morgan/Pisellini to accept the MOU as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and/or act on cost share agreement—Sibilsky explained the Adams County Fairgrounds Project. The total cost is \$24,233.58, after the cost share amount the cost to the county would be around \$7,800.00. The contract is not signed at this time. A motion made by Morgan/Pisellini to allow Chair Stuchlak to sign off on cost share agreement after property committee signs off on the cost share agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and/or act on transferring SEG funds to Sauk County – again this year we have a surplus of SEG funds. Sauk County is in need of \$32,000 in cost share funds. Discussion took place about getting farmers in Adams County to utilize this money. Motion made by Roekle/Wysocky to transfer the SEG funds to Sauk County. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications: Manure Storage Ordinance Violation is this Thursday. Update at next meeting. The 2016 proposed budget will be discussed at the next Admin/Finance meeting and it looks like \$5000 will be deducted from the contracted services. Eight Farmland Preservation notifications for non-compliance were sent out. We have heard from three of the eight. One person has indicated that they will withdraw and pay the penalty so they don't have to provide a nutrient management plan. Included in the packet is the WAV newsletter explaining the Total Phosphorus Monitoring Program throughout the state, Adams County is recognized for having three sites this year. Also included in the packet is a handout on the Drainage District issue – Karch stated that the decision is in the hands of a judge, whether or not to reinstate the district or dissolve it. Pisellini stated that he would like Sedlar to continue to attend the meeting to stay informed. Sedlar stated that he signed the deer donation agreement for 2015 – we will be participating in the program again this year. Matzke asked the committee about nitrate testing. Sedlar did state that he would

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Speak with Ken from UW Ext in regards to this. Sedlar did state that he believes the equipment needed to do the nitrate testing costs approximately \$5000.00.

Items for next month's Land and Water Conservation Committee meeting: Friendship Dam, Update on Manure Storage Ordinance Violation.

Next meeting date: October 12, 2015 at 1:00pm in room A231

Motion by Roekle/Wysocky to adjourn at 2:00p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Harrison
Recording Secretary

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