



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE DECEMBER 11, 2014 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Chairman Michael Stoddard at 3:00pm on December 11, 2014 in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Michael Stoddard, Chair
Joanne Guden
David Richter
Maureen Schweder
Arnold Dahlke, Jr., FSA Member

Excused:
NickToney

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Harley Reabe
Tom Eddy
Jake Vandeberg

AGENDA

Motion/second (Dahlke/Richter) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Guden/Richter) to approve and file the November 13, 2014 meeting minutes
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

APPEARANCES :

Jake Vandeberg explained new programs from the Farm Bill.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE APPEARANCES

Gunderson explained the definition/qualification of non-compliance. Christopher Retzlaff was sent a certified letter explaining that he was in a non-compliant status and given the opportunity to contact the office or appear before the board to resolve the situation. No reply was heard from Retzlaff to defend his participation/compliance in the Farmland Preservation Program.

Motion/second (Richter/Guden) to proceed in reporting Retzlaff to the Wisconsin Department of Revenue DOR-FARMLAND 5-144 RSOB – Audit Bureau for Voluntary Non-Participation for Farmland Preservation Tax Credit. Motion carried.

IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE EASEMENTS

Tom Eddy gave a PowerPoint presentation explaining the Izaak Walton League and reasons for wanting to gift two pieces of their property to the county. ***Motion/second (Richter/Guden)*** recommendation to accept property from the Izaak Walton League and proceed to P & I. Motion carried.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS –

Motion/second (Guden/Richter) to approve SIEWERT, SCHLEY, DAVISON, SCHULTZ, SCHOBER/RADTKE, PRETZ, LINGER, EHRENBURG, JACKOWSKI, SALES, AND TONEY as presented. Motion carried.

LANDOWNER CONSERVATION PLANS – none

2015 CLEAN SWEEP AWARD

Green Lake County got awarded less than half of what we requested this year. We are sufficient now with the Waste Management contribution and the carryover funds, but this shortfall may be something to address in subsequent budgets. Gunderson also reminded the committee about wanting to partner and share some cost with the sheriff department regarding prescription intake/incineration.

POSTER CONTEST

An update was given on the packets that were emailed to the schools November 18, along with a reminder postcard mailed on December 18, 2014. Ideas were suggested to further promote the contest through the libraries, a press release and the 4-H clubs.

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION EVENT

Gunderson gave a positive report and stated a good turnout for this event. We served 55 people total and were able to personally talk to each and every one. Gunderson liked the way everything was handled, and thanks to cooperation from Piggly Wiggly in Princeton, we were able to come in under budget on costs. This may become something we do every other year.

ANIMAL WASTE ORDINANCE UPDATE

Gunderson stated the ordinance was emailed to Lisa Trimble at DATCP on December 9, 2014 for further review.

VOUCHERS

Motion/second (Guden/Richter) to approve vouchers totaling \$7,224.35 as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Gunderson discussed applying for an extension on the LWRM plan update due in 2015.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Dates: January 15, 2014, 3:00 PM in the Committee Room #0903 of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Motion/second (Dahlke/Richter) to adjourn at 4:35 PM. Motion carried. Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder