



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

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Land Conservation Committee Meeting Notice

Date: January 12, 2017 Time: 9:00 AM
Committee Room #0903, Green Lake County Government Center
571 County Rd A, Green Lake WI

AGENDA

Committee Members

David Richter,
Chair
Katie Mehn
Vice-Chair
Patricia Garro
Joanne Guden
Robert Schweder
Arnold Dahlke,
FSA Member

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of December 8, 2016 Minutes
6. Public Comments (3 min limit)
7. Appearances
8. Wildlife Damage – 2016 Claims
9. Monthly Staff Report & Upcoming Projects
10. Lake and River Report
11. DATCP/County Cost-Share Contracts
12. Farmland Preservation Program
13. Land Conservation Easement Program
14. Legislative Issues
15. Appreciation Luncheon
16. Correspondence
17. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: February 9, 2017 at 9:00 AM
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
18. Adjourn

Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office.
All line items are subject to any and all action by this committee, unless noted.

Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or audio assistance should contact the Land Conservation Office at 294-4051 not later than Noon on the day preceding the meeting.

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LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE DECEMBER 8, 2016 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Chairman David Richter at 9:00AM on December 8, 2016 in the Committee Room #0903 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: David Richter, Chair
Katie Mehn
Robert Schweder
Arnold Dahlke, Jr., FSA Member

Excused:
Patti Garro

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Harley Reabe
Kathy Schmit
Chris Hamerla

AGENDA

Motion/second (Guden/Mehn) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Schweder/Dahlke) to approve and file the November 10, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPEARANCES

AIS GRANT

Chris Hamerla gave a report on the new grant application process and responsibilities for a future AIS coordinator. It has been determined that the likelihood of receiving a grant for an 8-county position vs the current 2-county position is much greater. Hamerla asked for financial backing from the LCC in order to make the application more appealing.

Motion/second (Schweder/Guden) to approve a \$3,000 financial commitment and letter of support for the 8-county grant application for the AIS coordinator.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

GELHAR

Motion/second (Guden/Dahlke) to approve cost-share contracts. Motion carried.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

The committee was informed of the Voluntary Waiver of Rights for Notice of Non-Compliance with Farmland Preservation Program Tax Credit Requirements signed by WILLIAM & ARLENE KOELLER REVOCABLE TRUST.

Dave Richter, LCC Chairman, signed to approve the Voluntary Waiver as representative for the LCC.

2017 CLEAN SWEEP AWARD

Gunderson reported the 2017 Clean Sweep grant award in the amount of \$12,550.

LAND CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAM

Gunderson briefly explained the draft proposal for the Green Lake County Buffer Program. The committee members wanted time to review the details of the program and will continue discussion during the January 2017 meeting.

10:00AM – Joann Guden left the meeting

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Gunderson informed the committee of some possible future issues that were discussed at the Fall County Conservationist meeting. The issues include the Biennial Budget and the Governor proposing manure digesters as a possible solution to the phosphorus problems in the state.

POSTER CONTEST

Rules and registration packets for the new theme "HEALTHY SOILS ARE FULL OF LIFE" were delivered to all the schools and organizations in Green Lake County.

VOUCHERS – To be approved by the County Administrator from now on.

CORRESPONDENCE

Gunderson read an email from Jerry Spech complimenting the LCD on their work.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Dates: January 12, 2017 at 9:00AM in the Committee Room #0903 of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake.
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Motion/second (Mehn/Schweder) to adjourn at 10:24 AM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder

Land Conservation Committee
January 12, 2017 Monthly Staff Report

December 2016 Projects

1. Work on design of grade stabilization structure. (EQIP)
2. Work on design for Water and Sediment Control Basin.
3. Redline construction plans for DNR documentation.
4. Installation of grade stabilization structure. (EQIP)
5. Review nutrient management information for 1 landowner.
6. Attended VTA webinar, Manure – Managing this Valuable Asset webinar, and Soil, Water & Nutrient Management meeting in Juneau.
7. Completed 9 FPP farm inspections within Green Lake Watershed.
8. Complete paperwork and documentation for FPP farm inspections.
9. Site visit to survey and mark maximum operating level on CAFO manure pit.
10. Meet with landowner and operator to discuss waterway plans for spring installation.
11. Generate C.O.C. forms to be mailed to FPP participants.
12. Begin construction on streambank restoration project.
13. Begin and complete the construction of a grade stabilization structure.
14. EVAAL Tool work regarding Green Lake sub-watersheds.
15. Begin design work for roof runoff and grassed waterway project.
16. Mass mailing of all C.O.C. forms to participants.
17. Evaluated inquiries, land disturbance sites, land and conditional use permits, and rezone and variance approvals for CSEC&SWM permit applicability.
18. Discussed, reviewed, issued and monitored CSEC&SWM permits.
19. Updated landowner files.
20. Discussed, prepared for and conducted FPP Conservation Compliance Field Checks.
21. Researched and submitted wish-list.
22. Retrieved and set up Kawasaki Mule trailer, Mule and fueling system.
23. Coordinated vehicle maintenance.
24. Received forklift training from Hwy. Dep't. staff.
25. Attended DATCP webinar on Conservation & Farm Leases.

January 2017 Project Focus

1. Complete roof runoff and grassed waterway design.
2. Complete design of grade stabilization structure and stream crossing.
3. Conduct FPP inspections as time/weather permit.
4. Continue work on Rock River TMDL project.
5. Begin design for 2 grassed waterways in Green Lake watershed.

Lake and River Report

Lake Puckaway - Working with the Corps of Engineers (Detroit) to develop a wind-wave model for the lake. The results will direct the reconstruction of dredgebanks on the lake, which have eroded over the decades.

Twin Lakes – 80% of the watershed has been soil sampled. Watershed modeling will begin in January, when the soil lab results are available. Lake Management Plan will be drafted over the winter months.

Spring Lake - 80% of the watershed has been soil sampled. Watershed modeling will begin in January, when the soil lab results are available. Lake Management Plan will be drafted over the winter months.

Fox River – No Current updates.

Grand Lake - Property owners survey has been completed, and is ready general mailing. Lake Management Plan will be drafted over the winter months.

Countywide – Shoreland Survey Data has been received. A summary and informational mailing will be sent out lake property owners in the early spring,