

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE January 12, 2017 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Vice-Chair Katie Mehn at 9:00AM on January 12, 2017 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: Katie Mehn Joanne Guden Robert Schweder Arnold Dahlke, Jr., FSA Member Excused: David Richter, Chair Patti Garro

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson Heidi Weishaar

Others Present:

<u>AGENDA</u>

Motion/second (<u>Guden/Schweder</u>) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (<u>Schweder/Dahlke</u>) to approve and file the December 8, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPEARANCES

WILDLIFE DAMAGE – 2016 CLAIMS

This topic is moved to next month.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

Gunderson reported that the best management practice cost sharing grant was reduced from \$57,000 to \$48,800 by the DATCP.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

All Certificate of Compliances were mailed along with the 2017 Annual Certification requests. In addition, landowners received information on upcoming Nutrient Management and Snap-Plus trainings.

LAND CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAM

Gunderson went over his ideas for the buffer program and the committee gave their input on issues they foresee. Changes will be made and presented at the next meeting.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Harley Reabe and Sara Guenther will be attending a meeting in Madison at the State Capitol in an effort to lobby for increased County Land Conservation staffing and cost-sharing grants.

APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Green Lake Association will be hosting an appreciation luncheon at Christianos Pizza January 26th at 11:45 AM. All Land Conservation staff and Committee are invited.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Dates: February 9, 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 (<u>Guden/Dahlke</u>) to adjourn at <u>10:22AM</u>. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar Recorder