



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
March 8, 2012

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Chairman Stoddard at 8:30am on March 8, 2012 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.

Present: Michael Stoddard, Chairman
Thomas Traxler, Jr., Vice-Chair
Susan McConnell
Maureen Schweder
Margaret Whirry
Arnold Dahlke, Jr, FSA Member

Staff Present: James A. Hebbe
Brenda Sondalle

Others Present: Caleb Zahn, USDA-NRCS
Tony Daley, Berlin Journal

AGENDA

Motion (Traxler/Whirry) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion (Dahlke/Whirry) to approve and file the February 9, 2012 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

APPEARANCES

Caleb Zahn, USDA-NRCS, updated on current federal programs his agency is working with. He noted that Green Lake County was recently awarded over \$570,000 in EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) funding to allocate to producers for conservation practices on their farm.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written staff report was reviewed.

LAKE & RIVER REPORT

Included on monthly staff report.

ARBOR DAY BREAKFAST – APRIL 19

The Breakfast is set for 8am on Thursday, April 19 at the Green Lake Conference Center. Tom Eddy will be speaking on Wisconsin Frogs. Cost is \$13.25 per person.

VEHICLE PURCHASE REVIEW & APPROVAL

Government prices presented for a truck to replace the 2004 Chevy Silverado. Prices are as follows:

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| Chevrolet Silverado, ½ ton, regular cab | \$22,167 |
| Dodge Ram, ½ ton, extended cab | \$23,020 |
| Ford F150, ½ ton, extended cab | \$23,747 |
| Dodge Ram, ¾ ton, extended cab | \$24,270 |
| Chevrolet Silverado, ¾ ton, extended cab | \$24,713 |
| Ford F250, ¾ ton, crew cab | \$26,829 |

Motion (Traxler/Schweder) to approve the purchase of the \$23,020 Dodge Ram ½ ton, extended cab pickup. This purchase request will be forwarded on to the Property & Insurance Committee for their approval. Motion carried.

GOVERNMENT CENTER LANDSCAPE DISCUSSION

Hebbe reported that free topsoil was obtained from the Berlin Wal-Mart site for use at Zobel Park and the Government Center landscape project. Only cost was hauling the soil. Hebbe was directed to get

additional topsoil if available and to see if Samuels is willing to make a "goodwill offering" to cover hauling costs.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACT APPROVALS – none

CONSERVATION PLAN APPROVALS

Motion (Dahlke/McConnell) to approve conservation plans as follows:

Rick Klawitter-owner, David Kohn-operator

Rick Klawitter-owner, Gale Jahnke-operator

Vance Glewen-owner/operator

Wayne Gellings-owner, Steven Eisenga-operator

Steven Eisenga-owner/operator

Motion carried.

MEETING ATTENDANCE APPROVAL

Motion (Traxler/Schweder) to approve Derek Kavanaugh's attendance at the Wisconsin Lakes Convention in Green Bay April 10-12; and Jim Hebbe's attendance at the USDA Conservation Reserve Program March 14 meeting in Westfield and the County Conservationist meeting April 4-5 in Wausau. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS

Motion (Traxler/Schweder) to approve vouchers as presented totaling \$3,227.37. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - none

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Future Meeting Dates: next regular meeting - Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 8:30am in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake
- Future Agenda Items: none mentioned

ADJOURN

Motion (Traxler/Whirry) to adjourn at 9:40am. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Sondalle
Recorder