



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

Land Conservation Department

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Land Conservation Committee Meeting Notice

Date: April 11, 2019 Time: 9:00 AM
Committee Room #0903, Green Lake County Government Center
571 County Rd A, Green Lake WI

AGENDA

Committee Members

Robert Schweder
Chair
Katie Mehn
Vice-Chair
Patricia Garro
Bill Boutwell
Andrew Bender,
FSA Member

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of March 12, 2019 Minutes
6. Public Comments (3 min limit)
7. Appearances
8. Monthly Staff Report & Upcoming Projects
9. Lake and River Report
10. Little Green Lake BMP Update – Jordan Dornfeld
11. Clean Sweep
12. Arbor Day
13. Farmland Preservation Program
14. DATCP/County Cost-Share Contracts
15. Green Lake County Buffer Program
16. Legislative Issues
17. Correspondence
18. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Date: May 9, 2019 at 9:00 AM
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
19. 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
March 12, 2019 - MINUTES**

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Chairman, at 10:00AM on March 12, 2019 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:
Robert Schweder
Patti Garro
Andrew Bender, FSA Member

Excused:
Bill Boutwell
Katie Mehn

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Jake VanDeBerg Harley Reabe
Steve Krueger

MINUTES

Motion/second (Garro /Bender) to approve and file the December 13, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPEARANCES

Jake VanDeBerg gave an FSA update.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE

Motion/second (Garro /Bender) to approve an exemption for Steven Vinz regarding his shortfall in deer damage quota due to the hunters misunderstanding of whose tags they were between Steven Vinz and Daniel Vinz. Together, the deer shot exceeded what was required.

Motion/second (Garro /Bender) to approve 2018 claims in the amount of \$57,890.57. Motion carried.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed

ANNUAL REPORT

The 2018 annual report was presented and discussed.

CLEAN SWEEP

Gunderson informed the committee about the company, Resource Solutions, who will be handling the e-waste and white goods at Clean Sweep this year at a substantial savings to the county.

ARBOR DAY

Gunderson discussed this year's speaker, PJ Liesch, along with the date and time of the program.

POSTER CONTEST

Local and area place winners were shown on a handout and a thank you card from one of the winners was read.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

272 Annual Compliance Self Certifications were mailed out on February 8, 2019. Gunderson reported that to date 128 recipients completed online certification and 75 have been received in the mail.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

SWANKE

Motion/second (Garro/Bender) to approve cost-share contracts. Motion carried.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY BUFFER PROGRAM

Motion/second (Garro/Bender) to approve contracts for 1.) WALDVOGEL, 2.) HEIN & DRAEGER, 3.) ROBIN & ANN HEIN REVOCABLE TRUST and 4.) WERCH.

UPPER FOX/WOLF RIVER WATERSHED DEMONSTRATION FARMS

Gunderson explained the details of the Upper Fox/Wolf Demonstration Farms Network and how it will affect Green Lake County.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Gunderson talked about Governor Evers proposed budget which allocates \$10.4 million annually for county land conservation staffing and cost-sharing grants. This would be the highest funding amount in over a decade.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Dates: April 11, 2019 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

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder

Land Conservation Committee
April Monthly Staff Report

March Projects

1. Complete the design for a waste facility closure in the Town of Green Lake.
2. Complete the design for a grassed waterway in the Town of Brooklyn.
3. Complete the design for a manure storage structure in the Town of Green Lake.
4. Continue to visit a livestock site in the Town of Green Lake per DNR request to check on temporary maintenance of site.
5. Attend multiple NRCS trainings in Juneau for SE area tech update and streambank restoration.
6. Attend multiple web-based training webinars.
7. Inspect previously installed projects that were impacted by record runoff event.
8. Assist a landowner regarding a design for a driveway culvert that blew out.
9. Review Nutrient Management Plans and enter information in Transcendent – 37 landowners
10. Site visit for recent manure runoff complaints, and look at some damage to recently installed practices.
11. Work on Terrace and Waterway Designs (EQIP)
12. Assist Highway Department with culvert sizing.
13. Webinar – Interseeding Cover Crops in Corn (1 CEU)
14. Attended WI Land & Water Conference March 13-16, Lake Geneva
15. Reviewed CSEC&SWM permit applicability, applications and monitoring; issued and monitored permits.
16. Evaluated inquiries, complaints, land disturbance sites, land and conditional use permits, and rezone and variance requests and approvals for CSEC&SWM solutions and permit applicability.
17. Discussed and worked on FPP Quadrennial Conservation Compliance Check records.
18. Discussed and worked on FPP Annual Conservation Compliance Check records.
19. Assisted various counter customers with FPP Compliance, Arbor Day and other questions.
20. Disseminated educational opportunities information for the public.
21. Requested and forwarded grazers and grazing specialists.
22. Attended RC&D workshop on managed grazing, budgeting, cost-sharing.
23. Attended cover crop, soil carbon, health & conservation workshop.
24. Attended NRCS/DATCP SE Area Engineering Technical Update.
25. Watched National Cover Crop Summit videos.
26. Completed electronic communication Security Awareness Training for GLC-IT Dep't.
27. Attended Streambank Protection training.
28. Fielded tree planter call.
29. Managed vehicle maintenance/repair.
30. Informed landowner of FPP and encouraged participation.

April Project Focus

1. Begin design work for approximately 7 grassed waterways for a Town of Mackford landowner.
2. Begin the design of a grade stabilization structure in the Town of Brooklyn
3. Complete the design of roof runoff structures and diversions in the Town of Green Lake.
4. Begin conducting group 4 Farmland Preservation Program field inspections as weather permits.
5. Assist a landowner regarding a water issue on his property line and how to redirect the flowpath.
6. Complete project installations as weather permits.

Lake and River Report

- Green Lake – Meeting the GLA, GLSD, and DNR to review County K restoration plans, and carp removal for 2019. Several phones following the large runoff event on March 16th due to snow melt and heavy rain on frozen ground. Met with several landowner to discuss runoff/erosion concerns.
- Puckaway – Dredgebank restoration design work for 2020 grant application.
- Twin Lakes – No updates
- Spring Lake – No Updates.
- Little Green – Finalized Hwy 44 Sediment Retention Pond reconstruction. Pond is 19 years old, and inlet structures need to be rebuilt due deterioration. Inlets are being reconfigured using the latest storm sizes and routing.
- Grand Lake – Scheduled early summer vegetation surveys.