

# LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE August 12, 2021 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Chairman, at 9:00AM on August 12, 2021 in the County Board Room #0902 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 Katie Mehn Patti Garro Bill Boutwell

Excused: Steve Draeger, FSA Member

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Chip Lovell Maddy Pfaff

Kent DeLucenay Dick Martens Lisa Reas Harley Reabe Derek Kavanaugh

# **MINUTES**

*Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell)* to approve and file the July 8, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 1. Kent DeLucency, President, Green Lake Association
- 2. Lisa Reas, Administrator, Green Lake Sanitary District
- 3. Dick Martens, Secretary, Green Lake Association

Each individual spoke of the importance in filling the vacant Soil Conservationist I position in order to design and install Best Management Practices (BMP) that will benefit the waters of Green Lake County.

#### FEDERAL AGENCY APPEARANCES

Chip Lovell and Maddy Pfaff introduced themselves as the new USDA-APHIS (**U**nited **S**ates **D**ept. of **A**griculture - **A**nimal and **P**lant **H**ealth Inspection **S**ervice) representatives and gave an update on the Wildlife Damage Program moving forward.

# MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

# LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Derek Kavanaugh gave a power point presentation update on the county lakes.

# **DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF SOIL CONSERVATIONIST I POSITION**

Gunderson read a narrative he wrote justifying the importance of filling the Soil Conservationist I vacant position.

*Motion/second* (*Garro/Boutwell*) to approve the hiring of the Soil Conservationist I vacant position. Motion carried.

### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET**

Gunderson reviewed each line item of the budget explaining any changes from the prior year.

# DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

KEMNITZ

*Motion/second* (*Boutwell/Mehn*) to approve cost-share contracts. Motion carried.

### **CLEAN SWEEP UPDATE**

Gunderson stated nearly 300 people already registered and that everything is set for the event on Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

### COMMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: September 9, 2021 at 9:00 AM
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

# <u>ADJOURN</u>

Meeting adjourned at <u>10:16 AM</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar Recorder