



**LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
October 14, 2021 - MINUTES**

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Chairman, at 9:00AM on October 14, 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
Patti Garro
Bill Boutwell

Excused:

Steve Draeger, FSA Member
Katie Mehn

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Maddie Pfaff
Chip Lovell
Kent DeLucency
Todd Morris

MINUTES

Motion/second (Boutwell/Garro) to approve and file the August 12, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kent DeLucency, President of the Green Lake Association, 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

None

➡ ***Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell)*** to move agenda items 14 – 18 up in order to ensure a quorum.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE BUDGET AND CROP APPROVAL

- 1. Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell)*** to approve the 2022 budget in the amount of \$36,964.90. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell)*** to approve the 2021 crop price proposal. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell)*** to adopt December 1, 2021 as the 90% day that the crops have been harvested. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION ADDING SOIL CONSERVATIONIST I POSITION IN THE LCD

Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell) to approve adding the Soil Conservationist I position in the Land Conservation Department (LCD). Motion carried.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO LAKE PLANNING AND PROTECTION GRANT FOR GREEN LAKE

Motion/second (Boutwell/Garro) to approve the Lake Planning and Protection Grant for Green Lake. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO LAKE PLANNING AND PROTECTION GRANT FOR GRAND LAKE

Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell) to approve the Lake Planning and Protection Grant for Grand Lake. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO LAKE PLANNING AND PROTECTION GRANT FOR BIG TWIN, LITTLE TWIN, AND SPRING LAKES

Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell) to approve the Lake Planning and Protection Grant for Big Twin, Little Twin, and Spring Lakes. Motion carried.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY BUFFER PROGRAM UPDATE

Todd Morris gave an update on the buffers maintenance and progress.

AG ENTERPRISE AREA UPDATE

Todd Morris gave an update on current sign ups and potential agreements.

NO-TILL DRILL DISCUSSION

Todd Morris informed the committee of Green Lake Association's plan to purchase a no-till drill that the Land Conservation Department will lease and then rent to landowners with the goal of increasing cover crop acres.

CLEAN SWEEP UPDATE

Gunderson shared the final numbers with the committee regarding participation, income and expenses.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

No contracts at this time. We received a \$3,441.00 DATCP bond money transfer from Trempealeau County to help supplement the cost of installing Best Management Practices (BMP) in 2021.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: November 11, 2021 at 9:00 AM
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder