



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE September 8, 2022 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Committee Chariman, at 9:00AM on **September 8, 2022** 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
Bill Boutwell
Ken Bates
Arnold Dahlke
Nancy Hiestand

Excused:
Steve Draeger, FSA Member

Staff Present: Todd Morris
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present:

MINUTES

Motion/second (Boutwell/Dahlke) to approve and file the August 11, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

FEDERAL AGENCY APPEARANCES

None

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES REPORT

- **Staff Report**
Written report was reviewed.
- **AIS Update**
Written report from Chris Hamerla was reviewed.
- **Lake and River Report**
Written report was reviewed.
- **Clean Sweep Update**
Morris shared numbers with the committee regarding participation, costs and expenses and discussed ideas to improve advertising.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

WERCH, WERCH, DUGENSKE, ROIDT

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

FOXHEAD REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE GREENBELT PROPOSAL DISCUSSION

Discussion was held on what Foxhead Regenerative Ag is proposing for their Greenbelt Project. Bates explained that a “greenbelt” is a corridor or green space to protect and improve water quality and wildlife habitat along with setting parameters identifying areas that should not be developed. These areas would be protected with conservation easements.

WELL PROGRAM DISCUSSION

Morris is going to follow up with the Health Department and Water Quality Task Force for recommendations to protect or address water quality issues in well water. Possible grant funding for future water testing and installing systems to address high nitrates in wells. Focus future testing on identified hotspots from 2020 sampling.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: October 14, 2022 at 9:00 AM
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder