

GREEN LAKE COUNTY Land Conservation Department

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Land Conservation Committee Meeting Notice

Date: February 9, 2023 Time: 9:00 AM
County Board Room #0902, Green Lake County Government Center
571 County Rd A, Green Lake WI

AGENDA

Committee Members

- · Robert Schweder-Chairman
- Ken Bates-Vice-Chairman
- · Bill Boutwell
- · Nancy Hiestand
- · Arnold Dahlke
- Steve Draeger –
 FSA Member

- Call to Order
- 2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of the January 12, 2023 Minutes
- 5. Public Comments
- 6. Federal Agency Appearances
- 7. Department Activities Report
 - Staff Report
 - AIS Update
 - · Lake and River Report
- 8. Poster Contest Update
- 9. Arbor Day Program Discussion
- 10. Well Program Discussion
- 11. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Date: March 9, 2023 at 9:00 AM
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
- 12. Adjourn

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Please accept at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

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.

Land Conservation Committee February 9, 2023 Monthly Staff Report

January 2023 Projects

- 1. Inspect open erosion control permits and review new permit applications for erosion control and storm-water management.
- 2. Conduct additional soil boring investigations with NRCS staff at potential manure storage site in the Town of Princeton to determine depth of limiting factors in soil for required separation distances.
- 3. Obtain clay samples from a farm in the Town of Princeton that may be used as secondary containment for a manure storage structure and get tested for required soil characteristics.
- 4. Assist Green Lake Sanitary District and Green Lake Association staff to create GIS maps and layers that they can use to track BMP installations and their respective locations within the Green Lake Watershed.
- 5. Complete as-built of design plan and documentation for a grade stabilization structure and underground outlet in the Town of Berlin.
- 6. Begin the design of a diversion and rock-lined waterway in the Town of Manchester to address erosion concerns.
- 7. Coordinate installation timeframe for electrical panel at boat washing station with electrician and meet on site to discuss planned location of electrical panel and wash unit trailer.
- 8. Design waterway at a site in the Town of Green Lake.
- 9. Design waterway at a site in the Town of Brooklyn.
- 10. Design waterway at a site in the Town of Seneca.
- 11. Attend relevant trainings.
- 12. Complete Soil Borings for Waste Storage Facility in the Town of Princeton.
- 13. Collect Clay Samples for Waste Storage Facility in the Town of Princeton.
- 14. Continue Design for Waste Storage Facility in the Town of Princeton.
- 15. Attend Wisconsin Agribusiness Classic at the Alliance Energy Center in Madison.
- 16. Attend Southeast Wisconsin Technician Meeting in Jefferson.

February 2023 Project Focus

- 1. Continue designing waterways in Green Lake, Brooklyn, and Seneca.
- 2. Continue to attend relevant trainings.

Lake and River Report

<u>Puckaway</u> — Construction has been delayed until water levels rise to a level adequate to float the loaded barges, likely spring of 2023 if water levels are sufficient. Monthly team meetings for the breakwater will reconvene in February in anticipation of spring construction. District is continuing to working with WDNR and private consultants to develop a 2023 aquatic invasive species treatment plan.

<u>Twin Lakes</u> – Submitted revised water quality study report to WDNR for review. Replied to comment by WDNR on the updated water quality study report. Working with the Lake Association to update the 2018 Lake Management Plan in the summer of 2023 (5 year update).

Spring Lake – Working to update the 2018 Lake Management Plan in the summer of 2023 (5 year update).

<u>Little Green</u> – Working with landowners on 2023 shoreland restoration plans.

<u>Green Lake</u> – Ongoing plan updates and BMP identification within the watershed.

<u>Grand Lake</u> — Working with the Lake Association on grant progress for established plant control. Grant awards should be announced in late February.



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE January 12, 2023 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Committee Chairman, at 9:00AM on January 12, 2023 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: Stephanie Prellwitz, Green Lake Association

Lisa Reas, Green Lake Sanitary District Maddy Pfaff, USDA-APHIS Wildlife Specialist

Shelly Rothman, Foxhead RAP

MINUTES

Motion/second (Bates/Dahlke) to approve and file the December 8, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

FEDERAL AGENCY APPEARANCES

None

WILDLIFE DAMAGE 2022 HARVEST OBJECTION EXEMPTION DISCUSSION & ACTION

The claimant did not meet his 45-day harvest (50%) objective but exceeded his 80% objective. He did not meet his 45-day objective because the USDA Wildlife Specialist (Maddy) told him in error that the 45-day harvest objective did not apply to full program enrollees; however, since Joe was first-year full program enrollee in 2022 it does in fact apply to him. Due to this error in miscommunication, Maddy recommends that Joe receives his full claim for 2022 since he did shoot more deer than his 80% objective by the end of the growing season.

Motion/second (<u>Dahlke/Boutwell</u>) to request a Harvest Objection Exemption for Joe Hoinacki. Motion carried.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE - 2022 CLAIMS

Maddy Pfaff, Wildlife Specialist, gave an update on the animal activity around the county and asked for approval of the 2022 damage claims.

Motion/second (Bates/Boutwell) to approve 2022 claims in the amount of \$49,629.87. Motion carried.

GREEN LAKE SANITARY DISTRICT & GREEN LAKE ASSOCIATION APPEARANCES

Stephanie Prellwitz from the Green Lake Association talked about phosphorous issues in the lake.

- Reductions needed to keep Green Lake the gem that it is
- Have made progress, but recognize there is still work to do
- Will take all partners to do it: GLA, GLSD, LCD, DNR, Farm Bureau, etc

Lisa Reas from the Green Lake Sanitary District talked about and highlighted some projects that GLSD is working on.

- Discussed districts lake monitoring program, do this in conjunction with HHS
- Touched on phosphorous issues in the lake and how GLSD is partnering to address these (GLA, GLSD, & LCD partnership)
- Touched on success stories in watershed, example not seeing as much fall tillage and more cover crop use in the watershed.
- Discussed nutrient monitoring that the GLSD is doing in the watershed, stream sampling program.

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES REPORT

- Staff Report
 Written report was reviewed.
- Lake and River Report
 Written reports were reviewed.

WI LAND & WATER 2023-2025 BIENNIAL BUDGET & PRIORITIES DISCUSSION

Morris reviewed the WI Land & Water Association budget priories and talking points for the committee to address when meeting with State Representatives:

- Budget Priority 1: Provide \$18.7 million in stable, core funding support for county conservation department staffing from the DATCP Soil and Water Resources Management Program budget.
- Budget Priority 2: Improve and modernize the DATCP Farmland Preservation Program (FPP) by increasing participant tax credits and expanding grant implementation reimbursements to local units of government, as proposed in 2021-22 Senate Bill 68.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM DISCUSSION

Morris explained that there will be two mailings this year vs. one in an effort to help participants better understand the documentation needed to comply with the program. The first mailing will be asking for a Nutrient Management Plan to be submitted by 03/31/23. The second mailing will be sent mid-year asking for the Annual Compliance Certification to be completed online.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

ZIETLOW, VANORNUM, LUEDKE LIVING TRUST, BOELTER, SCHULTZ

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

WELL TESTING PROGRAM DISCUSSION

Morris will be attending the Finance Committee on 01/24/2023 to request ARPA funding for 2023 to test 150 wells. Moving forward, LCD and Human Services will each contribute \$5,000 a year to continue the program of testing 150 wells per year. Bates talked to the Green Lake School, and they would be interested in learning more about the program and helping where needed.

COMMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: February 9, 2023 at 9:00 AM
- LWLWCA Meeting January 20, 2023
- WI Land & Water Conference March 1 3, 2023
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar Recorder

