

Land Conservation Committee
Meeting Minute
January 13th, 2020

#1 The Land Conservation meeting was called to order by Chair Steve Williamson at 3:00 pm; those present were, Steve Williamson, Melissa Luck, Chad Cosgrove, Shaun Murphy Lopez, Marc Couey, Cathy Cooper, Kent Marshall and Tammy Cannoy-Bender FSA representative John Turgasen was absent.

#2 Chad Cosgrove motioned to approve the agenda and proof of publication, second made by Marc Couey. Motion carried.

#3 Shaun Murphy-Lopez motioned to approve the December 9th meeting minutes as sent out second made by Melissa Luck. Motion carried.

#4 Ash Creek Community Forest report. Melissa has started on the brochure; The ordinance signs need to get posted at the main entrance and the Mulch Ln entrance. The ordinance is currently waiting for Corporation Counsel Ben Southwick before presenting to the full County Board in February. Review of the recreational plan needs to be done at the Adhoc meeting.

#5 Cathy reported on Mill Creek A. Dam repair money, Cathy will be meeting with Mike Dreschmeier, NRCS Engineer to review the dams and get the grant application put together for the February County Board approval. Cathy is putting together new inspection and operation of maintenance plan for each of the dams. Durst Dam will need some clean up done this spring. Huth dam repair cost was less than the \$11,000 that was requested. Cathy brought up the bidding out of the mowing of the trails. Motion made by Shaun Murphy Lopez to approve Cathy to put the bid for mowing in the paper and mail to person who did the mowing last year, second made Marc Couey, discussion followed. Motion carried. Shaun Murphy Lopez amended his motion to "Look for bids for rental of equipment for staff to do the mowing", second to Shaun Murphy Lopez' amendment by Chad Cosgrove. Motion carried.

#6 Cathy reported that Ken, Conservation Technician will have a report in February.

#7 Kent gave the Working Lands (Farmland Preservation) report. Tammy had mailed out self-compliance reports that are all due by the 15th of this month, she had received back a good majority of them back. Kent & Cathy are working on dates for nutrient management classes with Sue Porter from DATCP. Cathy presented a cancellation of non-compliance for Durst-Larse farms as they have since finished their Nutrient Management Plan. Motioned by Shaun Murphy-Lopez to issue the cancellation of non-compliance to Durst Larse farms. Second made by Marc Couey. Motion carried. Cathy and Kent will be attending a training session in Madison for communication with the public.

#8 Cathy gave the County Conservationist report. A. Manure Storage ordinance. Still working on it before she sends it on the DATCP for their critic before she presents it to the committee and the County Board. B. NR151 resolution was sent to the committee only as a sample of what was done in another county. The committee agreed that this is something that the county is not ready for yet. Cathy brought up the Wi Land + Water Conference that is coming up in March, they have a silent auction for the counties to donate items that come from their counties with the proceeds going to education programs. Cathy will have this on the February agenda for an update.

#9 Drinking Water, Cathy was on the radio last week discussing the project with Ron Fruit. Melissa Luck reported on what she will discuss at the Thursday Water forum meeting on Thursday this week. May 4th will be the first test date for randomly selected areas of the county. Then again in the fall. Once all of the data has been collected a report will be done in 2021 for the public.

#10 Land and Water plan update; Shaun Murphy-Lopez asked about having a cover crop field day with the Stoltz' this coming year. Need to work on having a producer led watershed group.

#11 DNR report; No one at the meeting.

#12 FSA report. No one at the meeting. Cathy need report that there is a general CRP sign up going on now. CREP has also been opened.

#13 NRCS report. No one at the meeting.

#14 Committee member reports.

#15 The following bills were presented for January; CK Norman Development, \$1,852.00; Greg Cerven, \$1159.39; Richland County Food Service, \$330.00; UW Platteville-Richland, \$55.00; Hyatt Regency Green Bay, \$328.00; Lincoln Contractors Supply, \$2124.00; Cont4ech Engineered Solutions, \$225.00; Richland County Highway Department, \$16.06; Wisconsin Land + Water Conservation Association, \$1363.00; Southern Area Association, \$145.00; Rhyme, \$49.95; Ricoh, \$1601.87; Richland Locker, \$2,850.00; Premier Coop, \$247.61; Woodstock Nursery, \$141.99; Motion made by Shaun Murphy Lopez to pay the January bills as presented, second made by Melissa Luck. Motion carried.

#16 The next meeting will be February 10th, 2020 at 3pm.

#17 Motion made by Marc Couey to adjourn the meeting, second made by Chad Cosgrove. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Secretary Pro-Temp

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