

Land & Water Conservation Committee Minutes

November 19, 2014

1. Call to Order:

The monthly meeting was called to order by Matt Foelker at 8:05 am. Committee members Frank Anfang, Matthew Foelker, Peter Hartz, Ed Morse, and Carlton Zentner were present. Also in attendance were Mark Watkins, Director, Land & Water Conservation Department (LWCD); Kim Liakopoulos, LWCD; Patricia Cicero, LWCD; and Dennis Vollmer, NRCS.

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum):

A quorum was established.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law:

It was determined that the committee was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

4. Review of the November Agenda:

The November agenda was reviewed by the committee members. No changes were proposed.

5. Review and Approval of the October 15, 2014 Meeting Minutes:

Frank Anfang made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes as written, Ed Morse seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

6. Citizen Comments:

There were no citizen comments.

7. Communications:

- Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) November Report. See attached.

8. Water Resources Update - Patricia Cicero (LWCD):

See attached. Patricia Cicero spoke to the committee about the specifics of her position and included a fact sheet.

9. Lake Planning Grant and Authorizing Resolution - Rock Lake Shore Land Survey - Patricia Cicero (LWCD):

A lake planning grant application & resolution for Rock Lake was presented to the committee. See attached. The grant is from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Peter Hartz made a motion to forward the application and resolution to the DNR, Frank Anfang seconded. Motion carried 4/1.

10. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report:

Dennis Vollmer discussed the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) report. See attached

11. Electrical Power for 6 Bay Garage Storage:

Mark Watkins spoke to the committee in regard to the need for electrical power for the 6 bay garage the LWCD uses for tree planter storage, etc.

Peter Hartz made a motion to get a quote for the electrical work first, before committing to the work, Ed Morse seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

12. Cropland at the Highway Shop Update:

Mark Watkins informed the committee that there are no changes at this time and we're still waiting to see the highway shop footprint.

13. 2014 Cost Share Contracts Report:

Mark Watkins distributed the 2014 Cost Share Report. See attached.

14. Notice of Noncompliance with Soil and Water Conservation Requirements – Farmland Preservation Program (FPP):

Jeffery & Yvonne Becker, Philip & Dea Creanza, Eva Diestelmann, Matthew Ellers, Ronald Gaulke, Laverne & Lynn Georgson, David Hubbard, Charles & Diane Jaquith Jr, Robert Lewein, John Navine, Gary, David & Norman Paust, John Pfinder, Nels Rasmussen Trust (Rita Rasmussen), James Reu and D&L Shoot, LLC.

Frank Anfang made a motion to accept the notices, Peter Hartz seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

15. Cancellation of Noncompliance – Farmland Preservation Program (FPP):

None at this time.

16. Monthly Land & Water Conservation Department (LWCD) Financial Report:

The most recent statements of revenues and expenditures were distributed. See attached.

17. Set next meeting and possible agenda items:

It was decided by the members that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Land & Water Conservation Committee will be held on December 17, 2014 at 8:00 in Room 112. Possible agenda items include: Item # 11, # 12, # 14 - 16

18. Adjournment

Frank Anfang made a motion to adjourn at 9:14 am, Ed Morse seconded. Motion carried 5/0.