

# **Land & Water Conservation Committee Minutes**

## **December 16, 2015**

**1. Call to Order:**

The monthly meeting was called to order by Matt Foelker at 8:03 am. Committee members Matthew Foelker (Chair), Ed Morse (Vice Chair), Peter Hartz (Secretary), Gregg Patrick (Member), and Frank Anfang (FSA Rep) were present. Also in attendance were Mark Watkins, Director, Land & Water Conservation Department (LWCD); and Kim Liakopoulos, LWCD.

**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. Approval of the December Agenda:**

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

**5. Approval of the November 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes:**

Frank Anfang made a motion to approve the November 18, 2015 meeting minutes as written, Ed Morse seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

**6. Communications:**

- Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) December Report. See attached.

**7. Citizen Comments:**

There were no citizen comments.

**8. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report:**

Since there is no NRCS presence in Jefferson County at this time, a report was unavailable.

**9. Discussion and Possible Action on Participation with the Watertown Adaptive Management Program:**

The City of Watertown met with Mark Watkins about an adaptive management program similar to what the City of Oconomowoc is trying to put in place. The City of Watertown is in the very early stages so Mark Watkins gave Watertown the information needed to contact Oconomowoc. Mark Watkins informed the committee that Jefferson County is equipped to help both Oconomowoc and Watertown although funding will be needed. The committee thinks Jefferson County should stay in contact with both Oconomowoc and Watertown in regard to this program. Jefferson County could benefit from being in the program from the start.

Gregg Patrick made a motion to assist Watertown in any way available, Pete Hartz seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

**10. Discussion and Possible Action on 2015 Cost Share Contract Carry Overs:**

Mark Watkins discussed the cost share contract carry overs. See attached. Frank Anfang made a motion to accept the carry overs, Peter Hartz seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

**11. Discussion on Hoard's Dairyman Manure Pit:**

Mark Watkins: As of 12/2/15 the pit was at 75% capacity and a leak was detected. The weekly contamination reports show a huge spike in contamination levels. Hoard's has been ordered to shut down the pit, empty it, and collect any outflow water. It will take Hoard's at least 21 days to empty and clean the pit. Hoards will have to start the inspection and repair all over. Mark Watkins will continue to follow the contamination reports and update the committee at future meetings.

**12. Discussion and Possible Action on Notices of Noncompliance - Farmland Preservation Program (FPP):**

None at this time.

**13. Discussion and Possible Action on Cancellations of Notices of Noncompliance - FPP:**

ABC Acres, Weenonah Brattset, Arthur & Bethel Foelker Trust, Allen Luebke

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

**14. Review of the Monthly Financial Report (October):**

The most recent statement of revenues and expenditures (October) was distributed. See attached.

**15. Discussion on Items for the Next Agenda:**

Possible agenda items include: Items # 8, 9, 11-15, new goat dairy in Lake Mills

**16. Next Scheduled Meeting:**

- If we choose to have a January meeting it will be scheduled for January 20, 2016 @ 8:00 am in Room 112. Typically we forgo a January meeting due to the Holidays and a light agenda.

Ed Morse made a motion to postpone the LWCC meeting until February 17, 2016 @ 8:00, Frank Anfang seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

**17. Adjournment**

Gregg Patrick made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 am, Frank Anfang seconded. Motion carried 5/0.