

Land & Water Conservation Committee Minutes

December 19, 2018

1. Call to Order:

The monthly meeting was called to order by Matt Foelker at 8:00 am. Committee members Matthew Foelker (Chairperson), Walt Christensen (Vice-Chairperson), Ed Morse (Secretary), Dan Herbst (UWEX Member), Mike Kelly (UWEX Member), Frank Anfang (FSA Rep), and Margaret Burlingham (Public Member) were present. Also in attendance were Mark Watkins, Director, Land & Water Conservation Department (LWCD); Kim Liakopoulos, LWCD; Patricia Cicero, LWCD; Nancy Lannert, LWCD; Jim Schroeder, County Board Chairman; and Kathy Turner Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS).

- Members of the Public in Attendance: None

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 December Agenda:

The December agenda was reviewed by the committee members. County Board Chairman Schroeder requested Item #11 be moved right after Item #4. Christensen made a motion to move Item #11, Herbst seconded. Motion carried 7/0.

Item #11. Discussion and Possible Action on Development of the County Farm:

Discussion on the future development of the County Farm and the impact to the LWCD. No action was taken.

5. Approval of the November 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes:

Anfang made a motion to approve the November 21, 2018 meeting minutes as written, Burlingham seconded. Motion passed 7/0.

6. Public Comment:

There were no comments.

7. Communications:

- Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) December 2018 Report.

8. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report:

Kathy Turner discussed the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) report.

9. Discussion and Possible Action on Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)

Conservation Plan Revision Approval - Nancy Lannert: Anfang made a motion to accept the CREP Conservation Plan Revision, Burlingham seconded. Motion passed 7/0.

- 10. Discussion and Possible Action on Healthy Lakes Grant and Resolution - Patricia Cicero:**
Cicero submitted a resolution for the committee's approval. Christensen made a motion to accept the Resolution for the 2019 Healthy Lakes Grant, Anfang seconded. Motion passed 7/0.
- 12. Discussion and Possible Action on Notices of Noncompliance - Farmland Preservation Program (FPP):** There were no notices.
- 13. Discussion and Possible Action on Cancellation of Notices of Noncompliance - FPP:**
There were no cancellations.
- 14. Review of the Monthly Financial Report (October):**
The most recent statement of revenues and expenditures (October) was distributed.
- 15. Discussion and Possible Action on Purchase of Agriculture Conservation Easements (PACE) Applications:** There are no new applications.
- 16. Discussion on Jefferson County Land & Water Conservation Report on Baseline Documentation for Easements:** All baseline documentation is complete for the year.
- 17. Discussion on Items for the Next Agenda:**
Anfang made a motion to postpone the January Land & Water Conservation Committee meeting with the possibility of calling a meeting if something time sensitive comes up, Burlingham seconded. Motion carried, 7/0. It was decided by the members that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Land & Water Conservation Committee will be held on February 20, 2019 at 8:00 in Room 112. Possible agenda items include: Items #7-8, 12-18
- 18. Next Scheduled Meeting:**
- February 20, 2019 @ 8:00 in Room 112
- 19. Adjournment:**
Anfang made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 am, Christensen seconded. Motion passed 7/0.

Kim Liakopoulos
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