

Land & Water Conservation Committee Minutes

March 21, 2018

1. Call to Order:

The monthly meeting was called to order by Matt Foelker at 8:00 am. Committee members Matthew Foelker (Chair), Ed Morse (Vice Chair), Gregg Patrick (Member), Lloyd Zastrow (Member), Frank Anfang (FSA Rep), and Margaret Burlingham (Public Member) were present. Also in attendance were Mark Watkins, Director, Land & Water Conservation Department (LWCD), and Kim Liakopoulos, LWCD. Peter Hartz (Secretary) was excused.

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 March Agenda:

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

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

Lloyd Zastrow made a motion to approve the February 21, 2018 meeting minutes as written, Ed Morse seconded. Motion carried 6/0.

6. Public Comment:

There were no comments.

7. Communications:

- Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) March 2018 Report. See attached.
- Neil Palmer from Invenergy would like to address the committee to discuss the possibility of establishing a solar energy project within the County.

8. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report:

NRCS didn't attend the meeting therefore a report was unavailable.

9. Discussion on LWCD March 2018 Director's Report:

Mark Watkins discussed the March 2018 Director's Report. See attached.

10. Discussion on Hoard's Dairyman Facility Update:

Mark Watkins updated the committee on the status of the Hoard Facility. Construction of the new basin is complete. Seeding and partial abandonment of the old basin will commence this spring. Hoards will continue to monitor the outflow at the old location for contamination per agreement.

11. Discussion and Possible Action on 2018 Wisconsin Turkey Donation Program:

Mark Watkins notified the committee about the 2018 Wisconsin Turkey Donation Program. Gregg Patrick made a motion to continue participation in the Turkey Donation Program, Margaret Burlingham seconded. Motion carried 6/0.

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

There were no notices at this time.

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

There were no cancellations at this time.

14. Review of the Monthly Financial Report (January & February):

The most recent statements of revenues and expenditures (January & February) were distributed. Mark Watkins discussed the most recent reports and informed the committee of the new required format. See attached.

15. Discussion and Possible Action on Purchase of Agriculture Conservation Easements (PACE) Applications:

There are no applications at this time.

16. Discussion and Possible Action on Jefferson County Dairy Breakfast Donation:

Gregg Patrick made a motion to give a sponsorship donation to the Jefferson County Dairy Breakfast not to exceed \$125.00, Margaret Burlingham seconded. Motion carried 6/0.

17. Discussion on Jefferson County Land & Water Conservation Report on Baseline Documentation for Easements:

Nothing to report on baselines at this time.

18. Discussion on Items for the Next Agenda:

Possible agenda items include: 4th Grade Farm Tour, Election of Officers

19. Next Scheduled Meeting:

- Tentative April 18, 2018 @ 8:00 in Room 112

20. Adjournment:

Margaret Burlingham made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 am, Frank Anfang seconded. Motion carried 6/0.