

## WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2010

LWCD Conference Room, James P. Coughlin Center

Convene: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barker at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Barker called for a recess until Tom Davies arrived from attending the P & F Committee meeting held earlier that morning. Chairperson Barker reopened the meeting upon Tom's arrival at 9:16 am.

Present: **LCC Members:** Nancy Barker, Bruce Bohn, Chuck Farrey, Sue Locke, John Reinert, Dan Stokes and Bob Warnke

**LWCD Staff:** Tom Davies and Keith Marquardt

Others Present:

Absent: None

Approve March 4, 2010, LCC Meeting Minutes: A Warnke/Stokes motion to approve the March 4, 2010 LCC meeting minutes, passed 7-0.

### Announcements:

- Tom informed the LCC that the State phosphorus free lawn fertilizer rule went into effect on April 1, 2010.
- Tom informed the LCC that the LWCD/WDNR tree sale will be held on April 29, 2010. Tom explained that Winnebago and Fond du Lac Counties will be sharing a semi to haul the trees which will provide each County about a \$100.00 savings on freight costs.
- Tom shared with the LCC that the March 17, 2010, EC Workshop had been very well attended and very well presented. Tom commended the work done by Brent, Keith, Lynette and the other staff that assisted in putting on this fine educational program.
- Tom mentioned to the LCC that he and Melanie Leet had conducted a Conservation presentation for a local Scout Troop. Tom commended Melanie for an excellent job working with the Scouts and explaining how pollution gets into our resources by using the EnviroScape model to demonstrate how it occurs and what can be done to prevent it.
- Tom announced that the Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance annual Stormwater Conference would be held on April 28 & 29, 2010, at Liberty Hall in Kimberly, WI.
- Tom shared that the Winnebago Lakes Council and Clarks Bay Corp. had each donated \$100.00 to the WLWCA for operation expenses.

### Business Items:

#### Winnebago County MS4 Permit Annual Report, Review and Comment

Keith Marquardt, LWCD, reviewed the MS4 Permit annual report and shared some of the modeling/removal results that were contained in the report. Keith again mentioned the struggles he was having getting any type of communication back from the Oshkosh Public Works department regarding the letter of understanding needed for County MS4 areas that drain directly into Oshkosh's MS4. Keith said he would discuss it with John Haese, County Highway Department, because no agreement with Oshkosh could result in additional land purchases and retention pond construction to satisfy MS4 permit requirements.

Review and Approve/Disapprove supporting the resolution to “Delay Implementation of the Farmland Preservation Rezoning Conversion Fee” brought forward by the Planning and Zoning Committee

Chuck Farrey stated that this issue was already being addressed at the State level and suggested that no action be taken. A Farrey/Warnke motion to take no action on this item passed 7-0.

Review and Approve/Disapprove the renaming and restructuring of the LWCD GIS Mgr salaried position, to the LWCD GIS Technician, hourly position

Tom explained that the Human Resources department (H/R) had completed the review of the position and recommended it be filled as an hourly position and rename the position the LWCD GIS Technician. Tom informed that LCC that due to this process and name change it is considered a change to the LWCD organizational chart and must be approved by the LCC, the P & F Committee and the County Board. Tom explained that the P & F Committee approved/ supported HRs recommendations. A Farrey/Warnke motion to approve the resolution to fill the vacancy as recommended passed 7-0.

Review and Approve Winnebago County Water Quality Improvement Program Cost Share Agreements (CSA) to provide funding for eligible projects

Tom review the CSA for \$333.00 for Sylvia Muscavitch to abandon a well. Tom explained the well was located in an old outdoor well house and should be abandoned. A Stokes/Warnke motion to approve the CSA passed 7-0.

Approve / Disapprove, 2011 Joint DATCP/DNR Non-point Source Grant Application

Tom distributed the Grant application and explained that it is the annual joint DATCP/DNR grant request that provides funds for staff and for cost sharing to landowners installing conservation practices. Tom informed the LCC that Chairperson Barker needed to sign the application. A Warnke/Farrey motion to approve the application passed 7-0.

Approve / Disapprove, Resolution for Authorization of Acceptance of the 2011 DATCP/DNR Non-point Source Grant

Tom distributed and reviewed the resolution allowing the LCC to accept the Grant funds in 2011. Tom also reviewed the attached information sheet and noted the changes recommended by the LCC. A Bohn/Stokes motion to approve the resolution and send it to County Board for approval passed 7-0.

A Warnke / Stokes motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:02am passed 7-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder