

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2013  
LWCD Conference Room, James P. Coughlin Center

Convene: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrey at 9:00 a.m.

Present: **LCC Members:** Nancy Barker, Bruce Bohn, Chuck Farrey, Ken Neubauer, Dan Stokes and Tom Snider

**LWCD Staff:** Tom Davies, Chad Casper, and Sheila Kiddy

Others Present: Paul Klein, Agent for Winnebago Lakes Council, Jacob Vande Berg, USDA, FSA and Merrie Schamberger, USDA, NRCS

Absent: James Englebert, excused

Confirm meeting/agenda has been properly public noticed in accordance with County policy.  
Chairman Farrey confirmed with Tom Davies that the meeting had been properly public noticed.

Approve January 3, 2013 LCC Meeting Minutes: A Snider/Stokes motion to approve the January 3, 2013 LCC meeting minutes passed 6-0.

Announcements:

- Tom introduced Sheila Kiddy the newly hired LWCD Agronomist. Sheila provided information about herself and her work experience followed by the LCC introducing themselves.
- Tom distributed the LWLWCA 2013-2014 Activity Schedule and the WLWCA “*Thursday Note*” newsletter. Tom also reminded the LCC about the WLWCA Annual Conference being held on March 11-13, 2013.
- Jake Vande Berg, USDA, FSA reported that the DCP sign up for producers would begin on February 25, 2013.
- Chairman Farrey announced that the DATCP had scheduled several public hearings regarding the creation of administrative rule ATCP 49, that will lay out technical details as to how local governments may plan and zone to preserve farmland associated with the Farmland Preservation Tax Credit Program. The nearest meeting is Thursday, February 14, 2013, 2:30-4:30pm and 6:30-8:00pm, at the Outagamie County Highway Department, 1313 Holland Road, Appleton, WI, in the conference room.

Business Items:

Review and Approve the revised Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP)  
Claim for James Fischer

Tom reviewed the corrected claim for James Fischer, explaining it had increased about \$14.00. Following a very brief discussion a Barker/Bohn motion to approve the revised claim passed 6-0.

Aquatic Invasive Species Presentation

Paul Klein, Agent for the Winnebago Lakes Council, presented on the serious issue of Aquatic Invasive Species in the Winnebago System and the Great Lakes and what can be done to prevent the spread to other inland lakes in Wisconsin. Paul answered numerous questions from attendees. Chairman Farrey thanked Paul for his informative presentation and invited him back whenever he had new information to present.

Progress Report on the Lake Winnebago System Management Planning Grant

Chad Casper, LWCD, reported on the current status of the planning process. Chad reported that it has been decided by the Steering Committee that more information from the stakeholders around the System needs to be collected and reviewed before any additional grant applications should be submitted. This information will determine what the next phase of the grant will address. Chad and the LCC also discussed the Winnebago System Lake Level Management Team recommendations and how they might be incorporated into the planning grant data collection.

The LCC thanked Chad for his fine report and requested he continue to keep them informed as the work continues on the project.

Report on the Oakridge Road Groundwater Remediation Project

Tom reported that all reimbursements to the contractor from the County and the landowners had been completed. Tom also stated that LWCD had received the DNR reimbursement payment for the project. Tom explained that this fall, well water sampling would resume in the project area to determine if the project was indeed successful in keeping surface water contaminants from entering the groundwater.

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

Following a brief review of the CSA summary, a Snider/Neubauer motion to approve \$322.00 for a well abandonment for Mike Schlichting, passed 6-0.

A Barker/Neubauer motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m., passed 6-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder