

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2012
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, James Englebert, Chuck Farrey, Ken Neubauer, Tom Snider, and Dan Stokes

LWCD Staff: Tom Davies

Others Present: Jake Vande Berg, CED, FSA

Absent: none

Approve April 5, 2012 LCC Meeting Minutes: A Neubauer/Englebert motion to approve the April 5, 2012 LCC meeting minutes, passed 7-0

Announcements:

- Tom welcomed Tom Snider to the LCC and asked the other LCC members to introduce themselves.
- Tom announced that the GIS Technician Position had been filled.
- Tom informed the LCC that the 2012 SWRM Contract had arrived and was signed by Chuck Farrey and Chuck Orenstein and returned to DATCP for completion. Tom explained that all requested CSA extensions had been approved and were listed on the contract. Tom also mentioned that the staff support funds had been reduced an additional \$15,000 and that a budget transfer to cover a portion of the shortfall may be necessary.
- Tom shared with Bruce and Dan that the County Board had approved moving the EC Technician Position to P&Z, effective June 1, 2012.
- Tom distributed the WLWCA “Thursday Note” for LCC review.
- On behalf of Barry Benson, USDA, Tom asked James Englebert if he or Paul Eisen had received a reply from WDNR regarding the WDACP letter they sent back in March. James stated he had only received a letter stating they (WDNR) had received the letter.
- Nancy Barker provided a status report on Glacierland RC & D.

Business Items:

Review/Discuss the Oakridge Road Groundwater Remediation Project

Tom gave a brief history of the project to update the LCC and reported that the project design was near completion. Project Requests for Proposals (RFPs) will be sent out once engineering approval has occurred.

Report on the 2011 Deer Donation Program

Tom reviewed the Summary Report provided in the LCC meeting packet and shared some of the reasons for the reduced number of deer donated in Winnebago County. Chairman Farrey expounded on the program itself, stressing the value and importance of providing meat for needy families in these tough economic times.

Review and Approve Winnebago County Water Quality Improvement Program Cost Share Agreements (CSA) to Provide Funding for Eligible Projects

Chairman Farrey reviewed the CSA Summary provided in the LCC meeting packet. Following a brief discussion, a Bohn/Neubauer motion to approve \$751.00 for Alfred & Sandra Grigg for a well abandonment passed 7-0.

Discuss Current Status of the Farmland Preservation Plan (FPP) Revisions

Chairman Farrey discussed the current status of the FPP and the changes requested by DATCP in order to receive a conditional five year certification. Chairman Farrey explained that the requested information had been submitted to DATCP by the P&Z Committee (Committee of Jurisdiction). Winnebago County is waiting for a response/approval from Ben Brancel, Wisconsin Secretary of Agriculture. Once Brancel/DATCP approval is complete, the full County Board will need to approve the FPP. Following County Board approval, the FPP Steering Committee will be reconvened for an informational meeting.

An Englebert/Barker motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. passed 7-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder