

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (LCC)  
Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2018  
LWCD Conference Room, James P. Coughlin Center

Convene: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrey at 10:00 a.m.

Present: **LCC Members:** Steve Binder, Chuck Farrey, Guy Hegg, Larry Kriescher, Tom Snider and Roger Zentner

**LWCD Staff:** Tom Davies and Andy Maracini

Others present: Barry Benson, USDA, Wildlife Services (WS)

Absent: Bruce Bohn, 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 4, 2018 LCC Meeting Minutes:

A Snider/Hegg motion to approve the minutes passed 6-0.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

There were no public comments.

Announcements:

- Tom Davies informed the LCC that the LWCD had sent out a reminder letter to landowners that had failed to submit their required Nutrient Management Plans.
- Tom Davies distributed the January DATCP newsletter for the LCC to review.
- Tom Davies notified the LCC that all of the MS4 modeling grant paperwork had been submitted and approved by WDNR and that OMNNI was moving forward with the project.
- Tom Davies informed the LCC that the Ducks Unlimited grant contract was currently being reviewed by Corporation Council and once approved would be sent to the County Executive and County Clerk for their signatures. Davies also informed the LCC that a budget adjustment would be needed to receive some of the funds in 2018.
- Tom Davies shared that the LWCD was currently working on the “2017 LWCD Annual Report”.
- Tom Davies reminded the LCC the Korin Doering, Coordinator, Winnebago Waterways Program, had emailed the members the financial information requested by Supervisor Hegg.
- Tom Davies informed the LCC that the \$20,000 Budget Transfer for the Winnebago Waterways Program had been passed by the P & F Committee earlier that morning and it would now be on the February 20, 2018 County Board Meeting Agenda for final approval.

Chairman’s Report:

Chairman Farrey reviewed and commented on the Winnebago Waterways Program information.

Business Items:

Review and Approve or Deny, the 2017 Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP) Participant Claims

Barry Benson, USDA, WS reviewed the list of WDACP participants for the LCC. Benson stated that all the participants had complied with the program rules and he recommended that the LCC approve all the claims. Following the discussion a Hegg/Kriescher motion to approve all the claims as presented passed 6-0.

Review the Resolutions Being Considered at the March 2018 WLWCA Conference

The LCC reviewed and discussed each resolution and came to consensus on their position. The LCC requested that one of the LWCD staff that is attending the conference convey the LCC's position on each resolution.

Review the \$40.00 2017 LWCD Budget Labor Overage

Tom Davies explained the reason for the overage. Davies also stated that the Finance Department was going to do a blanket budget transfer for several County departments with small overages.

Review UAV Equipment and Discuss Usage Requirements and Landowner/Flight Path Protocols

Andy Maracini, LWCD reviewed the history behind the UAV acquisition plan, the many beneficial uses of the UAV and provided a hands on showing of the equipment. Following the equipment review, the LCC discussed the proposed "UAV Operation Property Owner Consent Form" and provided feedback and suggestions. Tom Davies informed the LCC that he would include the recommended edits on the form and bring it back for approval at the March 1, 2018 LCC meeting.

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

There were no CSAs to approve so the LCC took no action.

Review the LWCD Project List

The LCC reviewed and acknowledged the changes to the project list.

A Snider/Hegg motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m. passed 6-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder