

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (LCC)

Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2019

LWCD Conference Room, James P. Coughlin Center

Convene: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrey at 9:02 a.m.

Present: **LCC Members:** Steve Binder, Bruce Bohn, Chuck Farrey, Julie Gordon, Ben Joas, Tom Snider and Roger Zentner

**LWCD Staff:** Tom Davies and Chad Casper

Others present: none

Absent: none

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 July 3, 2019 LCC Meeting Minutes:

Chairman Farrey proposed an amendment to the wording of the minutes. Following a brief explanation by Chairman Farrey as to the reasons for the requested change and discussion by the LCC a Farrey/Joas motion to approve the minutes as amended passed 7-0.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

There were no public comments.

Announcements:

- Tom Davies informed the LCC that the lowest quote for the Stabenow Off-Shore project was higher than expected and additional funds would need to be acquired to get the project fully funded. Davies suggested using additional County funds if other sources could not be secured. Davies added that more information would be available later in August. The LCC was open to utilizing additional County funds if needed to assure the project could move forward.
- Tom Davies reported that a manure spill occurred Tuesday, July 30, 2019 in a road ditch near the intersection of Oakwood Road and State Highway 10 in the Town of Clayton. Tidy View Dairy was applying manure to a field when a leak occurred with the "Frac Tank" system. Davies reported that Tidy View Dairy reported the spill to the WDNR as required. They contained the spill and performed a proper clean up. Davies provided photos taken by LWCD staff that showed no manure was left at the spill site. Davies proposed sending Tidy View Dairy a letter thanking them for the great response and cleanup of the manure spill. The LCC concurred.
- Tom Davies announced that the Agency Advisory Committee (AAC) for the Land and Water Resource Management Plan (LWRMP) revisions had convened and it was a very productive meeting. Davies stated that the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for the LWRMP revisions would be convened in late August or early September.
- Tom Davies informed the LCC that the Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV) Watershed Plan for the Winnebago Watershed was close to completion and approval by the WDNR. Davies also stated that a few projects had already been identified for implementation.
- Tom Davies reported that a possible Phosphorus Trade within the County MS4 was in the making utilizing the newly acquired County property located on County Road Y. Davies explained that the trade could help the County meet its MS4 phosphorus load reduction requirement.
- Tom Davies announced he would be on vacation August 14-23, 2019 returning Monday, August 26, 2019. Davies added that Chad Casper would attend the August 20, 2019 County Board to support LWCD agenda items.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Farrey had no report.

Business Items:

Review and Approve the "Waupaca County and Winnebago County Upper Fox-Wolf Demonstration Farm Network Agreement and Scope of Services" and the Associated Resolution

Tom Davies provided a brief recap of the Regional Demo Farm Network and the reason for the Agreement and the funding source. Following a brief discussion a Snider/Gordon motion to approve the agreement and the associated resolution for the County Board passed 7-0.

Review and Approve a 2019 Budget Adjustment/Transfer for \$4,525.00 to Replace the LWCD's 2006 Outboard Motor

Tom Davies and Chad Casper reviewed the budget transfer and provided reasons for the needed replacement. Following a brief discussion a Snider/Bohn motion to approve the budget transfer passed 7-0.

Review and Approve a 2019 Budget Adjustment to Accept \$35,257.00 in Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV) Cost-Share Funds from the City of Fond du Lac Regional Wastewater Treatment & Resource Recovery Department and the Associated Resolution

Tom Davies reviewed the budget transfer and explained that it was for only the cost-share portion of the MDV funds. Following a brief discussion a Snider/Binder motion to approve the budget transfer for the cost-share funds passed 7-0. Tom Davies then explained that the resolution for the County Board was to get authorization to accept entire MDV allocation (\$53,857) from the City of Fond du Lac and utilize the balance (\$18,600) for staff and support once the labor had been provided on projects. Following a brief discussion a Gordon/Joas motion to approve the resolution for the County Board passed 7-0.

Review the 2020 LWCD Budget

Tom Davies reviewed the budget with the LCC, calling out any significant changes or new funds and answering questions as he progressed through the budget. Davies explained that the budget had been carefully scrutinized and that inactive or low transaction accounts had been cleaned up or zeroed out. Davies went on to share that the LWCD had met its 2020 budget levy target and the budget would be reviewed with County Executive Harris at 10:00 a.m. on August 13, 2019.

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

Following a review of the CSAs and the projects being installed, a Bohn/Binder motion to approve \$325.00 for Violet Werth, \$305.00 for Daniel Herbst, and \$500.00 each for Andrew Haese and Tina Dumbleton, all for well abandonments passed 7-0.

Review the LWCD Project List

The LCC reviewed and acknowledged the new projects on the list.

A Snider/Joas motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. passed 7-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder