

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2015  
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, John Egan, Larry Kriescher, Ken Neubauer and Tom Snider.

**LWCD Staff:** Tom Davies

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 March 5, 2015 LCC Meeting Minutes: A Bohn/Barker motion to approve the March 5, 2015, LCC meeting minutes passed 7-0.

Announcements:

- Tom D. informed the LCC that a recognition event entitled “Celebrating Women in Conservation” held by WI Land +Water for Nancy Barker and four other women was very well done and that Nancy did a very nice job speaking about her time in Conservation. The LCC congratulated Nancy on her award.
- Tom D. distributed a copy of the resolution passed by the Wisconsin Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection Board supporting County LWCDs staff support funding and cost share dollars.
- Tom D. alerted the LCC to an opportunity to view a demonstration of a UAV (Drone) at the Coughlin Center on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 1pm.
- Tom D. passed out the Poster Contest results from the WLWCA conference. The LCC also commended Lynette Hein again for her fine work and organization of the contest.
- Tom D. informed the LCC that he had attended a “Phosphorus Summit” sponsored by Congressman Ribble regarding the bay of Green Bay.
- Tom D. noted that the annual Tree Planting School would be held April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 5pm and the annual Tree Sale would be held April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 1pm. Both events will take place in the LWCD shed behind the Coughlin Center.

Chairman’s Report:

Chairman Farrey informed his fellow committee members that he would be working with Tom D. to create a projects and events sheet that would be provided to the LCC at each meeting. This would help keep each member better informed about the current projects and events being installed and conducted/attended by LWCD. Chairman Farrey stated he would provide an example from the Facilities Department for Tom D. to use as a starting template for the LWCD projects/events listing.

Business Items:

Review and Approve the Final Changes to the 2016-2020 Work Plan for the Winnebago County Land and Water Resource Management Plan Extension Request

Tom D. reviewed the final edits to page 56 of the Work Plan. Following a brief discussion a Snider/Kriescher motion to approve the page as presented passed 7-0. Tom D. then reviewed the final edits to page 59 of the Work Plan. Following a brief discussion a Kriescher/Bohn motion to approve the page as presented passed 7-0.

Review and Approve the 2016 Joint DATCP/DNR Non-point Source Grant Application

Tom D. reviewed the content of the application and explained how the numbers were derived. Tom D. emphasized the importance of the grant for cost sharing conservation practices and providing financial support for LWCD staff, which reduces the departments levy request. Following a brief discussion a Bohn/Snider motion to approve the application for submittal to the DATCP passed 7-0.

Review and Approve the Letters to Legislators / Joint Finance Committee Members Regarding the 2015-2017 State Budget

Tom reviewed the first letter regarding State support for County LWCDs. Following an informative discussion, a Neubauer/Egan motion to approve the letter for mailing passed 7-0. Tom D. then reviewed the second letter regarding State support for UWEX conservation support programs. Tom D. explained that these programs support the efforts of LWCD and the landowners. Following a good discussion on the topic, a Snider/Barker motion to approve the letter for mailing passed 6-1(Bohn opposed).

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

There were no CSAs and the LCC took no action.

A Kriescher/Neubauer motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. passed 7-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder