



## GREEN LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

### DECEMBER 13, 2011

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson McConnell at 8:40 a.m., on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

S. McConnell, M. Stoddard, M. Whirry and M. Schweder.

### EDUCATORS/STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT

N. Ghimire, B. Johnson, J. Kauffeld, D. Slark, K. Zills and K. Ninneman (staff), and D. Priske.

### LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT

No one.

### AGENDA

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Whirry) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.*

### MINUTES

*Motion/second (Whirry/Stoddard) to approve the November 8, 2011 Minutes. Motion carried.*

### COUNTY LIBRARY RESOLUTION NO. 23-2011

Whirry commented that Kingston Library is charging the townships an assessment cost of \$1,200. Whirry did get Marquette Township to reduce theirs to \$600. McConnell requested Zills invite Sara Miller, Kingston Librarian, to our January 5, 2012 meeting to explain this Resolution. Tabled until 1-10-12.

### PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

None.



Fair Committee Discussion – 2011 Fair

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Newspaper letter written by Belinda Fox supporting the county fair and 4-H. An email that McConnell received from Sue Wendt of Kingston, supporting the county fair. A letter that Kauffeld received from Laurie Renaud thanking him for the skills that she has been using that she learned in the TCLI program.

## **2011 STATE AID UPDATE – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL**

K. Zills reported to the committee that the 2011 State Aid will not be given to her until February 2012. She is asking to simplify the bookkeeping by recording the payment received in February 2012, be applied to the 2012 Fair and Fair Budget. Therefore, that means 2011 Fair will show no State Aid received, but an equal amount of money remaining in the fair budget will be returned to the county to make up for the lost revenue. *Motion/second to approve the bookkeeping process. (Whirry/Schweder)*. Approved.

## **2012 WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF FAIR ATTENDANCE**

K. Zills will be attending the 2012 WI Association of Fair Convention on January 9, 10, and 11 in Wisconsin Dells. She will not be at the committee meeting, but will have a financial report of the fair available at the meeting.

## **2012 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM MAILING LIST – DISCUSSION**

Zills has this list comprised and is almost ready to mail.

## **2012 FAIR PARACHUTE JUMP REQUEST – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL**

Zills met with Mr. John Selsing on 11-16-11 to discuss the contract for Mr. Jeff Dawson, the parachutist. He recommended that we stay firm with a \$1,000,000 insurance contract. If Mr. Dawson can only supply \$500,000, it was suggested that we buy the remainder to ensure there is a \$1,000,000 policy. Cost would be \$250. *Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell)*. Approved.

## **2011 CIP FINANCIAL REPORT**

It was discussed with the 2011 State Aid.

## **FAIR ENDOWMENT UPDATE – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL**

The committee has a copy to review.

## **2012 ENTERTAINMENT UPDATE – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL**

Zills reported the 2012 Fair is going with an agriculture theme “We’ve Got A Good Thing Growing.” She is looking into a “Thank A Farmer” program to have during the fair. The committee gave Zills the “go ahead” to continue to research this.

**BREAK @ 9:30-9:40 a.m.**



## UW-Extension Committee Discussion

### EDUCATOR REPORTS

1. **Ghimire:** Written monthly report on file. Ghimire gave a power point presentation on “Women in Agriculture Deserve Attention for Extension Services.”
2. **Q & A of Educators’ Submitted Monthly Reports**

There was a letter from Mr. John Selsing regarding the consent form that Johnson is doing for the Strong Women Healthy Heart program. Kauffeld asked for reimbursement of meals for meetings that are held during meal time for the educators. The committee will review the procedure manual and Kauffeld is to check with Extension regarding their policy and procedures.

### APPROVAL OF OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

*Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell).* Approved.

### UW-EXTENSION DEMONSTRATION COOKING STOVE – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Slark reported to the committee he has 3 different options. He will research local businesses and bring it back to the committee at the January meeting.

### WACEC ANNUAL MEETING – JANUARY 6, 2012

McConnell and Slark will be attending. Anyone wanting to attend should get a per diem if they attend. *Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell).* 3 ayes, 1 abstain. Approved.

### COMMITTEE DISCUSSION – REPORT OF LAST MONTH’S MEETING – INCLUDING Q&A

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard reported that the CAI will present to the county on Tuesday, December 20, as to what will happen to the courthouse.
- b. Personnel Committee – Schweder reported that Zills’ evaluation had been approved. Bob Podgorski is retiring in February.
- c. Finance Committee – Whirry reported Marquette townships property taxes have gone up 2 years in a row because of re-evaluations.

## **VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR**

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Schweder)* to sign vouchers for UW-Extension. Motion carried.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Library Resolution
2. Review business meetings with clients, being reimbursed for meals
3. UW-EX Demonstration Cooking Stove
4. Meeting date and times for the future

## **NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-EX Training Room at the Green Lake County Government Center.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion/second (Whirry/Stoddard)* to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Ninneman  
Account Clerk II