



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE January 12, 2012

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Chairman Stoddard at 8:30am on January 12, 2012 in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Michael Stoddard, Chairman
Thomas Traxler, Jr., Vice-Chair
Susan McConnell
Maureen Schweder
Margaret Whirry
Arnold Dahlke, Jr, FSA Member

Staff Present: James A. Hebbe
Brenda Sondalle

Others Present: Al Shute, LUPZ Director
Dean Slark, UWEX Educator
Tony Daley, Berlin Journal

AGENDA

Motion (Traxler/McConnell) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion (Schweder/Whirry) to approve and file the December 7, 2011 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

APPEARANCES - none

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written staff report was reviewed.

LAKE & RIVER REPORT

Big Green Lake – Lake Management Plan Core Planning Team to mail lake planning surveys to 1,000 random residents within the watershed.

Lake Puckaway – Whirry updated that approximately 1 million pounds of carp has been harvested from the lake.

BOAT MOTOR RE-BID

A letter will be sent out in January for bids.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM – CONSERVATION PLAN RECERTIFICATION FEE

Hebbe presented a sampling of monitoring and administrative fees that other counties are charging Farmland Preservation Program participants. Discussion held on dollar amount and flat fee versus a tiered fee structure depending on acreage. ***Motion (Traxler/Whirry)*** to draft the appropriate ordinance or resolution for the February Land Conservation Committee meeting for a two-tiered fee to charge for participant recertification into the Farmland Preservation Program. Motion carried.

CLEAN SWEEP GRANT CONTRACT

Motion (Whirry/Schweder) to approve the Wisconsin Clean Sweep Grant Contract for \$15,800. Motion carried.

Break 9:30am

Reconvene 9:35am

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE AND AGRICULTURE, EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Different options discussed. **Motion (Traxler/McConnell)** to keep the Committee meeting schedule the same at this time but to discuss the topic again in May after the April County Board of Supervisors election. Motion carried.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

Motion (Whirry/Schweder) to approve DATCP/County cost-share contracts for:

Wadell, Keith – Waterway \$2,800 (Big Green Lake Watershed)

Patchett Irrevocable Trust – Waterway \$10,528 (Fox River Berlin Watershed)

Richter, Larry L. & Terry L. – Diversion \$823.30 and Waterway \$2,517.20, (Lower Grand River Watershed)

Bender, Curtis M. & Bonnie – Diversion \$504, Waterway \$280, and Terrace \$2,688 (Swan Lake Watershed)

Ratos, James G. & Mary M. – Streambank & Shoreline Protection \$3,000 (Big Green Lake Watershed)

Wilke, David D. & Teresa L. – Livestock Fencing \$1,018.50 and Roof Runoff System \$784 (Upper Grand River Watershed)

Motion carried.

CONSERVATION PLAN APPROVALS

Motion (Dahlke/Schweder) to approve the conservation plan for Barbara Steffes. Motion carried.

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Motion (Traxler/Whirry) to approve per diem and mileage for LCC to attend the Lake Winnebago Land & Water Conservation Association (LWLWCA) 2012 Planning Meeting January 27 in Oshkosh. 5 Ayes, 1 Nay (Schweder) Motion carried.

Also approved was Hebbe's attendance at the Wisconsin Soil & Water Conservation Society (SWCS) meeting February 9 in Stevens Point and all staff except Hebbe to attend the Wisconsin Association of Land Conservation Employees (WALCE) training March 1-2 in Eau Claire.

VOUCHERS

Motion (Whirry/Schweder) to approve 2011 vouchers totaling \$20,110.35 and 2012 vouchers totaling \$925.00. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - none

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda item: Farmland Preservation Program – Conservation Plan Recertification Fee

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 8:30am in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake.

ADJOURN

Motion (Traxler/McConnell) to adjourn at 10:20am. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Sondalle
Recorder