

MONDAY – MARCH 14, 2016

State of
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**UN-APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
COUNTY OWNED DAMS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016
UPPER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
IOWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
DODGEVILLE, WISCONSIN**

Item		
#1	Meeting called to order by Chair Gollon at 6:00 PM.	Call to order
#2	Roll Call – Supervisors Anderson, Benish, Bunker, Gollon, Nankee, Parman and Walmer. Also present were Supervisors Griffiths, Meyers, Palzkill and Paull. Administrator Bierke, LCD Department McCaulley and Hemling, Mike Dreischmeier of NRCS, Tanya Lourigan of the WIDNR and Corp Counsel Allen. Also present were Joe Thomas, Doug Cardin and Keith Cardin.	Roll call & also present
#3	Motion by Benish, 2 nd by Nankee to approve the agenda of this meeting. Motion carried,	Approve agenda
#4	Motion by Anderson, 2 nd by Bunker to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2016 meeting. Motion Carried.	Approve minutes
#5	Jim Griffiths stated that two of the county owned dams affect his property. He feels the county has obligations to keep the dams.	Public comment
#6	Mike Dreischmeier of NRCS introduced himself and reported to the committee on his role in the dam maintenance and inspections. He informed the committee that the NRCS will continue to assist the county after the agreements expire. They have a history of doing this elsewhere and he doesn't see a reason for this to be different. He is also working with LCC and Iowa county to get the hazard ratings lowered, most are done.	NRCS
#7	Tanya Lourigan of the WI DNR introduced herself and reported to the committee on her role in helping the county maintain the dams. She is a Dam Safety Engineer and she discussed the inspection process.	DNR
#8	Corp Counsel Allen gave an update regarding dam abandonment and possible tax district. The lake district does not apply but he will look further into other special assessment options.	Corp Counsel
#9	John Meyers informed the committee that there has been no progress in setting up the meeting of all parties related to Birch Lake. Doug Cardin gave a presentation.	Birch Lake
#10	The committee is looking for ways to fund future issues and will continue this discussion at future meetings.	Funding
#11	Supervisor Benish reported to the committee on the response from the Blackhawk Lake Commission. They are not willing to set aside any money yet. They would like to see the county match funds and feel that the whole county should pay for the dams and if there were funds set aside, they would need a guarantee that those funds would not be used for anything else.	Blackhawk Lake
#12	Administrator Bierke gave an update on the responses to the letters sent out to municipalities offer the dams to them. There have been no interested parties so far. The Village of Barneveld did act on the park issue. They want to annex the park for more control. Motion by Benish, 2 nd by Parman to postpone action on the Barneveld resolution until the committee has more information. Motion carried. Motion by Anderson, 2 nd by Parman to have LCD Director McCaulley ask the WI DNR to lower the hazard ratings of Dams TP8, TP9 and TP10. Motion carried.	Letters

#13	The next meeting will be Monday, April 18, 2016 at 6:00 PM.	Next meeting
#14	Motion by Parman, 2 nd by Benish to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.	Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted;
County Board Supervisor, Ryan Walmer

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