

Minutes of the

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, February 13, 2013 4:00 P.M.

Iowa County Land Conservation Department Conference Room
138 S. Iowa St. Dodgeville, WI 53533State of
Wisconsin
County of
Iowa

2013-08

| Item | | |
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| 1) | The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. | Call to Order |
| 2) | <p>a) Consent Agenda.</p> <p>b) Roll Call – Members Present at roll call – Bob Bunker, Roger Dax, Greg Parman, Dan Nankee, John Meyers, Dave Ladd, and Ron Benish.</p> <p>c) Approval of this Agenda. Motion by Ron Benish seconded by Dan Nankee. Motion Carried.</p> <p>d) Approval of the minutes of the December 12, 2013 meeting. Motion by Ron Benish seconded by Dan Nankee to approve the minutes. Motion Carried.</p> <p><u>Others present:</u> Jim McCaulley, Debra Finkelmeyer, Andy Walsh, Dave Terrall, Gene Schriefer, Dick Cates, Kim Cates, Mike Reilly & Rhonda Gildersleve.</p> | Consent Agenda |
| 3) | Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. The Committee of the County may affect the LCC with 3 terms suggested for any board member to be on one particular committee. John Meyers and Bob Bunker have been on the Land Conservation Committee 3 terms. | Public Comment |
| 4) | Cates Family Picture. Mike Reilly from the Dodgeville Chronicle was here to take a picture of the Cates Family for winning the Leopold Award and their generous donation of \$2,500.00 to the Land Conservation Department to be used for Youth Conservation. Along with the Dick and Kim Cates, Gene Schriefer, Jim McCaulley, Rhonda Gildersleve and the LCC Committee Members were in the photo. | FYI |
| 5) | Youth Conservation Camp Scholarship. Motion by Ron Benish to use the Cates Family donation to send one student annually at \$250.00 to the WLWCA Youth Summer Camp and give \$150.00 to the Youth Conservation Day at the County Farm. Seconded by Roger Dax. Motion carried. | Action |
| 6) | APHIS Issues by Dave Terrall. Dave Terrall presented the Iowa County Wildlife Damage Program 2013 Claim Summary. Motion made by Greg Parman and seconded by Ron Benish to approve claims and harvest waivers. Motion carried. | Action |
| 7) | Blackhawk Lake Report. Ron Benish gave an update on all the Blackhawk Lake Reports as the conduit member. Motion made by John Meyers and seconded by Roger Dax to accept the reports. Motion carried. | Action |
| 8) | Grazing Broker Position Space. Southwest Badger has hired Laura Paine for the Grazing Broker position to be housed in the Land Conservation office. Motion to approve providing space at no additional cost to the County for this position by Dan Nankee and seconded by John Meyers. Motion carried. | Action |
| 9) | Nutrient Management Plans Require Pastures. ATCP 50 now requires any pastures to be included in the Nutrient Management Plan if mechanically spreading manure or fertilizer. Motion to approve new pasture requirements made by Ron Benish and seconded by Dan Nankee. Motion carried. | Action |
| 10) | Grant Application to DATCP for 2015. Jim McCaulley is currently working on the application for 2015 staff support and cost-share funding. The application is due to DATCP by April 15 th . New questions were added to the application form this year as to how much time is spent on conservation. | FYI |
| 11) | Letter of Support for Aquatic Invasive Species. Southwest Badger is seeking a Grant for Aquatic Invasive Species effort. Motion by Ron Benish to approve sending a letter of support (no financial commitment from the County) and seconded | Action |

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| | by John Meyers. Motion carried. | |
| 12) | WLWCA Annual Conference. The conference is March 10 th -12 th in Appleton. Jim McCaulley, Rob Hemling, Debra Finkelmeyer and Dan Nankee will attend. | FYI |
| 13) | State of Wisconsin and County Farm Update. Dave Ladd expressed that the State of Wisconsin is interested in the buying the County Farm. The CRP contract will be up in 2017. | FYI |
| 14) | Self-Certification Update. As of 2/5/2014 there are 44 outstanding self-certification forms that have not been returned. To date we have collected \$1,225.00 in late filing fees. The Land Conservation Department will accept late submissions through April 15, 2014. | FYI |
| 15) | LWRM/NMP Projects and Payments. Motion by John Meyers to accept all projects/payments and seconded by Ron Benish. | Action |
| 16) | County Croplands Conservation Plans. Conservation Plans have been written for County leased croplands. Recommendations have been made by the Public Works Committee & LCD to the EDP. The EDP Committee approved 5-3 to follow the Conservation Plans. Motion by John Meyers to make a friendly amendment motion and present it as a full Resolution to the County Board. Motion by Roger Dax to accept the friendly amendment seconded by Ron Benish. Motion carried. | Action |
| 17) | NRCS Update: Andy Walsh gave a report of the FY2013 NRCS Financial Assistance Program Obligations. | FYI |
| 18) | Other Business. <u>2013 Staff and Support \$104,000.00 to be reimbursed depending of funding of the \$150,000.00 cost. LCD has put together the 6 remaining Interim Emergency Action Plans. Twin Parks #9 - 50 year agreement has expired with NRCS. The LCD can requisition for help in maintaining the County dams from NRCS.</u> | FYI |
| 19) | Set Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment. The next meeting will be held at the Land Conservation Conference Room, 8:30 A.M., April 10, 2014. | Action/ Adjournment |