



APPROVED MINUTES
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, August 11th, 2016 – 5:00 P.M.
Blackhawk Lake Shelter
Highland, WI 53543

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Meeting was called to order by Chair, Bob Bunker at 5:00 P.M.

Roll Call, Approval of this Agenda and Approval of the Minutes of June 9th, 2016.

Members present: Bob Bunker, Roger Dax, Greg Parman, Dan Nankee, Dave Gollon, Carol Anderson and Rod Anding. Members absent: Dave Ladd. Others present: Larry Bierke, John Meyers, Andy Walsh, Debi Finkelmeyer, Rob Hemling and Lorraine Anding. Sup. Parman made a motion move item #5 to be addressed after item #7 and to approve the agenda of the August 11th, 2016 meeting. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Motion carried. Motion by Sup. Anderson to approve the minutes of the June 9th, 2016 meeting. Dax seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New LCC Member.

Dax made a motion to accept Rod Anding as the new member at-large. Sup. Parman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NRCS Update.

Andy Walsh reported that they obligated over \$60,000.00 on almost 1,200 acres in Iowa County during the Cover Crop signup. August 1st was the Local Workgroup Meeting. All priorities will remain the same as in 2016 and are consistent with the County LWRM Plan. September 2nd is the deadline to sign up for EQIP cost-share for 2017 batching period.

Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken.

Sup. Gollon commented about the 2017 Budget and would like to add additional items to focus on in 2017 under department objectives and goals. Sup. Nankee inquired about the phone system and LCD no longer being on the same system as the feds. Andy Walsh commented due to having separate leases that the phone systems cannot be combined.

Farmland Preservation Program Update.

Rob Hemling presented Len Olson's report to the committee. He asked the committee to approve 2 Notice of Non-Compliance requests. 1 for Eric Birschbach due to zoning requirements and Kramer Farms LLC with a written request to drop out of FPP and not being compliant. Dax made a motion to approve the Notice of Non-Compliance forms. Sup. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LWRM Cost-Share Update.

Rob Hemling presented the report to the committee and asked for approval of 8 new NMP contracts and 1 new LWRM (stream crossing) contract since the last LCC meeting. Sup. Parman made a motion to approve the new contracts. Dax seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2017 LCD Budget.

Rob Hemling presented the proposed 2017 budget to the committee with a 4.6% increase. Sup. Gollon made a motion to adjust the budget to reflect in the Department Activities, Goals and Objectives to expand conservation programs, expand the grant monies and complete the projects in a timely manner. Sup. Parman seconded the motion. Motion carried. The committee challenged the LCD to look at the budget again and get the number to a 2.5% increase with the focus being on the revenue side.

Cobb-Highland BHL Commission Annual Report.

Dan Welsh, Blackhawk Lake Manager presented the report to the committee. He stated that the 2015 audit was complete and that no material misstatements or issues were found and that the financial records fairly represented the financial position of Blackhawk Lake. He also stated that the shower building has

been completed, park attendance for 2016 is up slightly, and an equipment replacement plan guides decisions. Sup. Parman made a motion to accept the report. Sup. Gollon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business.

Jim McCaulley left a letter for the committee thanking them for allowing him to be on vacation.

Motion to Set the Next Meeting Date and Adjourn.

The next meeting will be on Thursday October 13th, 2016 at 5:00 P.M. at the Health & Human Services building. Sup. Parman made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Dax seconded the motion. Motion carried.