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MEETING MINUTES

Committee: Land Conservation/Solid Waste Committee
Date: Monday, December 9, 2019
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Wolf River Room, Resource Center, 837 Clermont Street, Antigo, WI

Land Conservation Committee					
Name		Role		Status	
David Solin		Chair		Present	
Joe Novak		Vice Chair		Present	
Carol Feller-Gottard		Member		Present	
Reinhardt Balcerzak		Member		Present	
Roger Buck		Member		Present	
Tom Schmidt		FSA Representative/Member		Present	

Non-Committee Members Present							
Name		Interest		Name		Interest	
Chris Arrowood		Land Conservation Technician		Molly McKay		LCD Conservationist	
Becky Rank		Deputy County Clerk/ Recording Sec.		Duane Haakenson		Zoning Administrator	
Haley Lucas		Shoreland Specialist		Cindy Meyer		Citizen	
Ron Barger		Health/Social Service Director		Connie Schuessler		Citizen	
Roger Pilecky		Citizen		James Francl		Citizen	
Dan Marzu		Agriculture Educator		Randy Koepfel		Citizen	
Debbie Koepfel		Citizen					

The following discussion was held by the Committee at the meeting detailed above:

1. **Call meeting to order/ silence your cell phone.**
2. **The Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance.**
3. **Approval of previous meeting minutes.** Motion by Buck, second by Balcerzak to approve the previous meeting minutes of November 11, 2019. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **A request was made for public comment on agenda items and the consideration of items to be added to future agendas.** None
5. **Non-routine business requiring discussion/action:**
 - a. **Discuss well monitoring project planning.** McKay has been in contact with Kevin Masarik from UWSP. Masarik presented to the Committee at the October 7, 2019 Land Conservation Meeting discussing creating a well water testing program in Langlade County. McKay would like direction from the Committee on what type of program Masarik can help design and funding that would be designated to the program. Committee discussed different option in funding. Barger discussed Vilas County having a

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contract with DNR to do water testing. Barger stated he can look into the contract with DNR but stated this type of contract could take up to a year to set up or longer. After discussion the Committee asked that McKay and Barger work together with the Finance Director Pam Resch to get a better direction. Chairman Solin asked that Pam Resch attend the next Land Conservation meeting to discuss funding options for the creation of a well water testing program. Information only.

- b. Consider issuing Notices of Noncompliance with Farmland Preservation Program Tax Credit Requirements.** McKay updated the Committee on the process of issuing Notices of Noncompliance with Farmland Preservation Program Tax Credit Requirements. McKay stated that several landowners did not file the correct paperwork. McKay stated that per the ordinance and process procedure the landowner needs to come before this Committee to ask that they not be issued a Notice of Noncompliance.

Committee approved for landowner James Francl to speak. Motion by Balcerzak, second by Buck not to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to James Francl. All ayes, motion carried.

Committee approved for landowners Randy & Debbie Koepfel and Connie Schuessler to speak. Motion by Novak, second by Schmidt not to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to Randy & Debbie Koepfel and Connie Schuessler. All ayes, motion carried.

Committee approved for landowner Cindy Meyer to speak. Motion by Balcerzak, second by Feller Gottard not to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to Cindy Meyer. All ayes, motion carried.

Committee approved for landowner Roger Pilecky to speak. Motion by Schmidt, second Buck not to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to Roger Pilecky. All ayes, motion carried.

McKay stated that several landowners have not appeared but may petition the Committee for reinstatement. McKay stated if the landowner chooses to petition the Committee the landowner would be required to pay a \$50.00 fee. If the landowner needs to request a special meeting to petition the Committee then the landowner fee will be \$350.00.

McKay stated Eric & Kristin Meyer have not filed the proper paperwork to follow the Farmland Preservation Program Tax Credit Requirements. Motion by Balcerzak, second by Buck to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to Eric & Kristin Meyer. All ayes, motion carried.

McKay stated Lisa Rettinger has not filed the proper paperwork to comply with the Farmland Preservation Program Tax Credit Requirements. Motion by Buck, second by Novak to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to Lisa Rettinger. All ayes, motion carried.

McKay stated George Janssen would no longer like to participate in the Farmland Preservation Program Tax Credit. McKay stated proper paperwork was not submitted for the removal. Motion by Balcerzak, second by Buck to issue a Notice of Noncompliance to George Janssen. All ayes, motion carried.

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Chairman Solin would like to add an administrative fee of \$100 for landowner issued noncompliance that would like to petition the Committee for reinstatement. Information only.

6. **Agency Reports:** Agriculture Educator Dan Marzu attended a Soil, Water and Nutrients meeting updating the Committee that the SnapPlus Nutrient Management Software is changing. This program helps farmers make the best use of their on-farm nutrients, as well as make informed and justified commercial fertilizer purchases.

Shoreland Protection Specialist Lucas updated the Committee, stating she has submitted the Phase 2 paperwork for the Shoreland Protection Grant. Information only.
7. **Department update:** McKay presented the Committee with a Land Conservation November written report. Discussion held. Report is attached.
8. **Reports of events attended:** Supervisor Balcerzak updated the Committee on Mary Lake meeting. Information only.
9. **Upcoming events:**
 - a. December 12 & 13, County Conservationist Meeting, Stevens Point, WI
 - b. January 13, Youth Conservation Speaking & Poster Contest, Eau Claire River Room
 - c. January 24, Area Conservation Speaking & Poster Contest, Wood Tech. Building
10. **Schedule next meeting date:** January 13, 2020 @3:00 p.m. in the Eau Claire River Room, Resource Center.
11. **Adjourn meeting:** Motion by Novak, second by Buck to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Minutes submitted by:
Becky Rank, Deputy County Clerk

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November 2019

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

- Working with UWSP to develop well water monitoring program
- Planning winter education programs
 - Winter Grazing meeting – February or March
 - NM Training – March 18-20
- Youth Conservation Speaking and Poster Contest
 - Poster theme: Where would we BEE without pollinators
 - Doing pollinator programs to promote (4H, BGC, classrooms, homeschool group)
 - Entries due December 20
 - Contest will be held January 13 in Eau Claire River Room
- Collecting Annual Conservation Compliance Self Certification forms – due October 31
 - Assisting landowners to complete form and update farm data
- Sending second notice and final notice on Self Certification forms
- Completing Farmland Preservation Spot Checks
- Finalizing contracts to spend remaining BOND funds from SWRM grant
- Submitted presentation proposal for Wisconsin Lakes Convention
 - Haley & Molly will present on Lake Classification grant project currently underway
 - Proposal was accepted
- Preparing 2020 Lakes Classification grant application
 - Meeting with DNR lakes biologist
- Working on 2020 Healthy Lakes Grant
- Project design/planning/installation
 - Final inspection on projects
 - Working with town of Rolling on project planning
 - Designing shoreland restoration on Upper Post Lake
 - Working with Forestry on possible culvert project
- Events/training attended:
 - TIP Steering Committee meeting – Molly
- SSOP Meeting – Molly