



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE March 10, 2016 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Chairman Michael Stoddard at 9:00AM on March 10, 2016 in the Committee Room #0903 of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Michael Stoddard, Chair
Joanne Guden
Maureen Schweder
David Richter
Patricia Garro
Arnold Dahlke, Jr., FSA Member

Excused:

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Harley Reabe
Caleb Zahn
Todd Morris

AGENDA

Motion/second (Garro/Guden) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Guden/Garro) to approve and file the February 11, 2016 meeting minutes with noted changes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPEARANCES

Zahn reported signups for latest NWQI program. Deadline for enrollment has been extended to June 2016.

COUNTY GARDEN PROJECT

Since the county raised bed garden was not used last year, and had no plans for this year, Todd Morris suggested his idea of using it to grow fresh produce to donate to the local food pantry. All work would be done voluntarily by the LCD staff. The committee thought it was a great idea and some even expressed interest in helping.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed.

DATCP COST SHARE APPROVAL

None at this time

POSTER CONTEST UPDATE

Gunderson showed committee the winning posters that were taken to the state conference and discussed the judging procedure. NRCS donated "Conservation Trees and Shrubs" booklets as gifts for the local winners.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Gunderson discussed the ongoing process of Inspection Reports and issuing unique numbers for Certificate of Compliance forms that will be needed starting in 2016 to claim the Farmland Preservation credit.

WI LAND + WATER ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Gunderson read three resolutions that had been voted on at the Annual WI Land + Water Business Meeting. It was also noted that the donation from the Green Lake Conference Center earned \$335.00 for the state youth conservation and education programs.

ARBOR DAY

The date has been set for April 29, 2016. Advertising and invitations will begin within a week or so.

2016 COMMITTED FUNDS

Motion/Second (Guden/Richter) to approve 2016 committed funds and forward to Finance Committee. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS

Motion/second (Garro/Richter) to approve vouchers totaling \$ 6,601.86 as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was read from a disgruntled landowner in the Drainage District that referred negatively to one of our Land Conservation employees. It was explained that our employee has no authority on the Drainage Board, but acts only as a liaison for meetings.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Dates: April 14, 2016 at 9:00AM in the Committee Room #0903 of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake.
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Motion/second (Richter/Garro) to adjourn at 10:10AM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder