



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE August 11, 2011

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Chairman Stoddard at 8:30am on August 11, 2011 in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Michael Stoddard, Chairman
Susan McConnell (arrived 9:20am)
Margaret Whirry
Maureen Schweder
Arnold Dahlke, Jr, FSA Member

Excused: Thomas Traxler, Jr., Vice-Chair

Staff Present: James A. Hebbe
Brenda Sondalle
Derek Kavanaugh

Others Present: Dan Priske, County Board Chair

AGENDA

Motion (Whirry/Dahlke) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion (Dahlke/Schweder) to approve and file the July 14, 2011 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

APPEARANCES - none

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written staff report was reviewed.

LAKE & RIVER REPORT

Big Green Lake – Beginning stages of comprehensive lake management plan with March 2012 draft goal.

Lake Puckaway – Ten shoreline restoration projects selected from landowner applications. Radio transmitters to be implanted in 10 carp for monitoring.

Little Green Lake – Working on aquatic lake management plan.

Twin Lakes – 2011 chemical treatment completed. Boat landing reconstruction project planned.

Fox River – Early planning stages of boat adventure trips.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE APPEARANCES & VOLUNTARY NON-PARTICIPATION REQUESTS

Certified letters were sent to 3 landowners inviting them to appear to discuss their noncompliance status. No appearances. Hebbe met with one landowner prior to the meeting and one landowner chose to voluntarily not participate in the program. ***Motion (Dahlke/Whirry)*** to proceed with the Notices of Noncompliance for: Sanders, Lurah L. - 87 acres; and Vinz, Steven L. & Kristi M. - 251.819 acres and to accept the voluntary non-participation request for Daane, Harvey & Elaine - 120 acres. Motion carried.

2011 DATCP SWRM GRANT CONTRACT APPROVAL

Motion (Whirry/Schweder) to approve the 2011 DATCP Soil & Water Resource Management Grant contract for \$239,895. Motion carried.

2012 BUDGET

No update.

INVASIVE SPECIES PLACEMAT PURCHASE

Information presented on an aquatic invasive education restaurant placemat project spearheaded by the Green Lake Association. The proposal is to purchase 55,000 placemats (2 year supply) to distribute to area restaurants for use during the boating season. **Motion (Schweder/Dahlke)** to contribute \$575 (25%) to the restaurant placement project. Motion carried.

DNR BOAT USE / BOAT LEASING OPTION

The current boat on loan for 1 year from the DNR for water quality monitoring work on lakes and rivers is working out fine but the boat motor is old and unreliable. Discussion held on what to do for future boat use. Whirry will contact the state Department of Administration to see about purchasing the boat. No decision made. Future discussion will be based on Whirry's findings.

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT / LAND USE PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT CONSOLIDATION REVIEW

Motion (Whirry/Schweder) to that the Land Conservation Committee continues to support the current working arrangement of the Land Conservation Department and the Land Use Planning & Zoning Department and that the motion made at the July 8, 2011 joint meeting of the Land Conservation Committee and the Land Use Planning & Zoning Committee unanimously supporting the two separate departments still stands. Motion carried.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACT APPROVALS

Motion (Whirry/Dahlke) to approve the cost-share contract for David & Diane Wright, \$300 Well Decommissioning in the Big Green Lake Watershed. Motion carried.

CONSERVATION PLAN APPROVALS

Motion (Dahlke/Schweder) to approve the farm conservation plan for David Wilke. Motion carried.

MEETING ATTENDANCE APPROVAL

Motion (Dahlke/Schweder) to approve the following upcoming meetings for staff:
Hebbe – September 30, County Conservationist Meeting in Steven Point
Morris – September 27 & 28, Nutrient Management Planners Workshop in Madison
Motion carried.

Supervisor McConnell arrived at 9:20am.

VOUCHERS

One VISA purchase listed for a Garmin Intelliducer (\$172.05) should have been listed as a refund credit and not a purchase on the voucher summary sheet. **Motion (Whirry/Schweder)** to approve vouchers totaling \$5,411.37 which correctly reflects the credit refund. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - none

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion held on the DATCP Land & Water Resource Management cost-share ranking for upcoming shoreland projects. Because no 2010 cost-share funds were spent on shoreland projects, staff is proposing to double the 2011 allocation to fund the top three ranked shoreland projects. **Motion Schweder/Dahlke)** to approve cost-share funding for top three ranked shoreland projects as presented. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 8:30am in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake.

ADJOURN

Motion (Schweder/McConnell) to adjourn at 9:37am. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Sondalle, Recorder