

Eau Claire County
LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, May 21, 2018 • 5:00 p.m.
Agriculture & Resource • 227 1st Street West • Room AG120
Altoona, Wisconsin

Members Present: Robin Leary, Gary Gibson, Ray Henning, Tami Schraufnagel (arrived at 5:03 pm), Heather Deluka, Glory Adams, Dean Solie

Members Absent: Ricky Strauch

Staff Present: Greg Leonard

Others Present: (None)

1. Call to Order
Chair Leary called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.
2. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law
Leary confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.
3. Public Input Session (15 minute maximum) – Discussion
(none)
4. Approve Minutes from April 23, 2018 meeting – Discussion/Action
ACTION: Motion by Henning to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, 6-0-0.

(Schraufnagel arrived)
5. Review Vouchers and Ledger Update – Discussion
April expenditures and revenues were reviewed. Payment to Lake Eau Claire Association is for their lake rehabilitation project. The Erosion Control permit revenue for Hi Crush is for installation of a slurry line to replace the existing conveyor system.
6. Overpayment of \$10 to WI Land+Water – Donation to Envirothon – Discussion/Action
The invoice used to process the payment to Wisconsin Land + Water Conservation Association included a \$10.00 error which resulted in Eau Claire overpaying. Options to correct this include having WI Land+Water refund the county, or Eau Claire County could increase its existing donation to the Wisconsin Envirothon by \$10.00.
ACTION: Motion by Henning to instruct Wisconsin Land + Water Conservation Association to accept the \$10.00 overpayment as a donation to the Wisconsin Envirothon. Motion carried, 7-0-0.
7. Cost-Share Applications – Discussion/Action
Dean Solie announced that he will abstain from discussion and action on this agenda item.
The following Cost-Share applications were presented for approval:
Fedie Farms – Nutrient Management Plan– \$1,000.00 (NMFE grant funds)
Greg Fedie – Nutrient Management Plan– \$820.00 (NMFE grant funds)
Kevin Fedie – Nutrient Management Plan– \$2,180.00 (DATCP-SEG grant funds)
Dean Solie – Nutrient Management Plan– \$1,000.00 (DATCP-SEG grant funds)
Leonard explained that Fedie Farms, Greg Fedie, and Kevin Fedie applications are all for different land under different ownership and management.
ACTION: Motion by Adams to approve the Cost-Share Applications. Motion carried, 6-0-1 (Solie abstained).

8. Land Stewardship appointment update – Discussion
Leonard explained that the Land Stewardship sub-committee is still searching for a recommendation to replace Monica Lewis, as she has recently moved from the area.
9. 2019 Budget – Discussion/Action
Leary desired early budget discussion to be placed on the agenda. Leonard explained that preliminary capital request items have already been submitted for Lake Rehabilitation Projects, Stewardship, and Groundwater Management. The EPA Environmental Education and the DNR Targeted Resource Management (TRM) grant application projects will be budgeted within the operational budget, not as capital requests. There have been inquiries to the office for rental of a no-till grain drill. Neighboring counties, such as Dunn, Clark, and Marathon, own a no-till drill for renting to farmers. Acquiring a no-till drill has been discussed by staff. The Tri-County WellIntel project has been notified that there will now be a charge for on-line data services next year. This will amount to approximately \$650/year for Eau Claire County's portion.
10. Set date for annual LCC Conservation Tour – Discussion/Action
The date for the annual LCC Conservation Tour was set for Thursday, June 28th beginning at 3:30 pm. .
11. Staff and Agency Updates
Leonard had provided updates previously throughout the meeting.
12. Set date for next meeting
The date for the next LCC meeting was set for Monday, June 18, 2018 at 5:00 pm.
The July LCC meeting was set for Monday, July 16, 2018 at 5:00 pm.
13. Adjourn
Leary adjourned the meeting at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Greg Leonard
Clerk, Land Conservation Commission