

Eau Claire County
AG ORDINANCE REVIEW SPECIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, December 11, 2018 • 1:00 p.m.
Agriculture & Resource Center • 227 – 1st Street West • Room AG103
Altoona, Wisconsin

Members Present: Gary Gibson, Tammy Smith-Schroeder, Derrick Nelson, Ed Gorell, Steve Strey, Roland Fischer, Eleanor Wolf, Kate Beaton, Paul La Liberte, Jody Wilhelm, Mark Zuber, Cynthia Anderegg (via telephone), Dan Zook, Jon Nicolet (citizen member alternate)

Members Absent: Robin Leary, Tami Schraufnagel (County Board member alternate), Andy Ferguson, Todd Meyer

Staff Present: Greg Leonard, Amanda Peters (Land Conservation); Audrey Boerner, Matt Steinbach (City/County Health); Joseph Malual (UW-Extension)

Others Present: Libby Stupak, Elizabeth Spencer, Nancy Coffey, Chris Clayton and Lisa Trumble (Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection)

1. Call to Order

Chair Gibson called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

2. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Gibson confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.

3. Public Input Session (15 minutes maximum) – Discussion (none)

4. Approve Minutes from November 27, 2018 meeting – Discussion/Action

ACTION: Motion by Gorell/Zuber to approve the minutes of the November 27, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried, 14-0-0.

5. Review of Livestock Siting – Discussion/Action

Chris Clayton provided an overview of the Wisconsin Livestock Facility Siting rules contained in Wisconsin Administrative Code ATCP-51. Included in the discussion was zoning districts, issuance of permits, state agriculture performance standards, setbacks for structures. Wisconsin statute 92.15 limits local government unit's ability to adopt local standards which exceed the state standards.

6. Review of NR 151 Ag Performance Standards and Prohibitions – Discussion/Action (this item was reviewed after item #7)

7. Review of Animal Waste Storage Ordinances – Discussion/Action

Lisa Trumble provided an overview of Animal Waste Storage ordinances in Eau Claire County and across the state. Livestock performance standards contained within NR-151 could be incorporated into a manure storage ordinance. Other options to consider would be requiring annual update of nutrient management plans, certificate of operation, and permit fees.

6. Review of NR 151 Ag Performance Standards and Prohibitions – Discussion/Action

Clayton and Trumble provided an overview of the Ag Performance Standards and Prohibitions (NR-151). If cost-sharing is required by state statutes, a local ordinance will need to have provisions to offer cost-share to require compliance.

8. Development of consensus of the meeting outcomes – Discussion/Action

Leonard discussed that this item will remain on the agenda for all meetings but will not really apply until after the

special committee finishes the background educational information.

9. Set Future meetings and items for discussion – Discussion/Action
Future meeting dates and topics are as follows:
January 15, 2019 – DNR-CAFO rules, Groundwater report recommendations
January 29, 2019 – NR-151 Ag Performance Standards and Prohibitions

10. Adjourn
Gibson adjourned the meeting at 2:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Leonard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Greg Leonard
Clerk, Ag Ordinance Review Special Committee

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