

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY
LAND STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019
AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE CENTER – ROOM AG203 – ALTOONA, WI

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Burrows, Dave Dresel, Dave Carlson (joined via telephone at 12:15 pm), Kevin Stelljes, Glory Adams, Sean Bohan, Rick Koziel

MEMBERS EXCUSED: (none)

STAFF PRESENT: Greg Leonard (P&D - Land Conservation Division)

OTHERS PRESENT: (none)

1. Call to Order by Chair

Chair Burrows called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

2. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Open meeting requirements had been complied with.

3. Public Comment Period

None.

4. Approve Minutes of May 8, 2019 meeting

Minutes of the May 8, 2019 meeting were reviewed.

ACTION: Motion by Stelljes to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried, 6-0-0.

5. Change for the call-in option for meetings Recommendations to LCC for subcommittee appointments

Leonard explained the WisLine system which Land Stewardship utilized for call into meetings has been terminated by UW-Extension. The county is now utilizing WebEx system. The change in information was included in the agenda for this meeting and will be posted with upcoming meeting agendas.

6. Eau Claire River corridor event

Stelljes provided an update for the suggested 4 steps for the event: 1) inform the Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition, 2) name the group, 3) create a list of goals, and 4) create a project timeline, and began reviewing the list of goals. (Carlson joined the meeting via telephone)

Conservation options were discussed. The timeline puts an event in the first quarter of 2020. Discussion on the name of the group: "Stewards of the Eau Claire" was suggested as the most appealing. Leonard will reach out to other counties with similar stewardship programs to see how they handle easements and who holds them.

7. Stewardship Fund balances

There has been no changes in the Stewardship Fund balances since the end of 2018.

8. Member and Staff updates

Stelljes updated on the Kussman property; the owners are trying to secure an easement and may sell the property.

Carlson asked if approaching Cascade's with a defined easement across their property may be better than just asking for "an easement" without a description. Carlson will craft an idea.

Burrows reported that he is no longer on the Board of Directors for Landmark Conservancy.

9. Future agenda items

The Eau Claire River corridor event will remain on the next meeting agenda.

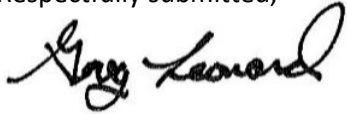
10. Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, July 17th at 12:00 p.m. in Rm 203 of the Ag Center.

11. Adjourn

Burrows adjourned the meeting at 12:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Greg Leonard, Subcommittee Clerk