Eau Claire County

LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, September 16, 2019 • 11:00 a.m.

Agriculture & Resource Center • 227 – 1st Street West • Room AG103/104

Altoona, Wisconsin

Members Present: Robin Leary, Gary Gibson, Tami Schraufnagel (arrived at 11:03 a.m.), Glory Adams, Heather

DeLuka, Ray Henning, Ricky Strauch

Members Absent: Dean Solie

Staff Present: Greg Leonard and Liz Fagen

Others Present: Marlys Leary

1. Call to Order

Chair Leary called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

- 2. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law Leary confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.
- 3. Public Input Session (15 minutes maximum) Discussion None.
- 4. Approve Minutes from August 26, 2019 meeting Discussion/Action

ACTION: Motion by Gibson/Henning to approve the August 26, 2019 minutes as presented. Motion carried, 6-0-0.

(Schraufnagel arrived)

5. Review Vouchers and Ledger Update – Discussion

The August expenditures and revenues were reviewed. The expense for the summer meeting was repeated in the invoices. This will be corrected.

6. Cost-Share Applications – Discussion/Action

There were no Cost-Share Applications.

7. Authorized individuals to sign Nutrient Management Memorandum of Understanding with Adjoining Counties – Discussion/Action – Discussion/Action

The resolution authorizing the Land Conservation Manager to act on behalf of the LCC for entering a nutrient management memorandum of understanding was presented and discussed.

ACTION: Motion by Adams/DeLuka approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried, 7-0-0.

8. Potential joint meeting of Groundwater Advisory and Planning & Development concerning groundwater project with Leonard Rice Engineering – Discussion/Action

Jim Dunning, Groundwater Advisory Committee chair, has been contacted by the Leonard Rice Engineering firm. The firm wishes to provide a presentation of their potential services. The meeting/presentation is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on October 22nd. The Land Conservation Commission could formally meet or attend as the public.

ACTION: Motion by Strauch that the Eau Claire County Land Conservation Commission will formally meet jointly with the Groundwater Advisory Committee and the Planning & Development Committee on October 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried, 7-0-0.

9. Staff and Agency Updates

Fagen provided an update on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) storm water management permit and the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

- a. Land Stewardship Subcommittee Update: Land Stewardship continues working on an event for Eau Claire River riparian owners tentatively scheduled for Spring/Summer of 2020.
- b. Speakers Task Force on Water Quality: Both Adams and Leonard attended the public hearing in Menomonie on September 4. Both provided oral comments during public comment period.
- c. Scope Statement on NR-151 Targeted Performance Standards on Nitrate in Sensitive Areas: This is just a scope statement currently.
- d. Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV) program: We have secured additional grant and donated funds to utilize with MDV funds to secure a No-Till Drill at no cost to the county.
- e. Water Quality Trading with the City of Augusta: The City of Augusta has entered into the agreement to implement the Water Quality Trading project.

10. Future agenda items

Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) storm water management permit updates will be added to staff updates, and Conservation Awards discussions should begin next month.

11. Set dates for next meetings

The next meeting was set for Monday, October 21, 2019 at 1:00 pm in the Ag Center. The LCC will meet jointly with the Groundwater Advisory and the Planning & Development Committees on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the County Board Room.

12. Adjourn

Leary adjourned the meeting at 11:50 am.

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Respectfully submitted,

Greg Leonard

Clerk, Land Conservation Commission