# EAU CLAIRE COUNTY LAND STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

# MEETING MINUTES – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020 AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE CENTER – ROOM AG203 – ALTOONA, WI

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Dresel, Kevin Stelljes, Rick Koziel, Glory Adams, Dave Carlson

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Doug Burrows, Sean Bohan

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

OTHERS PRESENT: (none)

### 1) Call to Order by Chair

Chair Koziel called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. A quorum was present.

#### 2) Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Open meeting requirements had been complied with.

#### 3) Public Comment Period

None.

#### 4) Approve Minutes of November 20, 2019 meeting

ACTION: Motion by Carlson to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried, 5-0-0.

#### 5) Cascades Easement Consideration

Leonard reviewed the concept for the easement. The land proposed to be accessed is held by the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin. State statutes related to allowed activities on University controlled lands may not meet the intent of the easement concept. Carlson will contact the UW-Eau Claire Chancellors office.

#### 6) Landmark Conservancy MOU

Leonard reported that he had Corporation Counsel review the draft MOU provided by Landmark, and there were suggested edits but no major modifications to the document. Edits will be sent back to Landmark for approval. Rick Remington from Landmark will be invited to the next meeting.

## 7) Eau Claire River corridor event

Stelljes suggested developing a listing of information, resources, and guidelines for discussions. This will lead to the development of talking points to have available for landowners.

#### 8) First Right of Refusal for future land donation

Leonard has been in contact with Arvid Jereczek, owner of American Express Transport & Excavation. They have purchased the former Huntsinger pit site. Mr. Jereczek has voiced interest in the possibility of working with the subcommittee on a future land donation. Leonard was asked to invite Mr. Jereczek to the next meeting.

## 9) Stewardship Fund balances

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

# 10) Member and Staff updates

Nothing further was reported.

### 11) Future agenda items

The MOU, the Eau Claire River corridor event, and the first right of refusal will remain on the next meeting agenda.

# 12) Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. in Rm 203 of the Ag Center, based on the availability of invited guests. Second choice for date will be February 12, 2020.

# 13) Adjourn

Koziel adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Leonard, Subcommittee Clerk