

**COUNTY OF EAU CLAIRE  
EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN  
GROUNDWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 12, 2020  
EAU CLAIRE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, Room 302  
720 – 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE, EAU CLAIRE, WI 54701**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Dunning, Nancy Coffey, Nathan Anderson, Anna Mares, Mary Kenosian, Sarah Vitale, Glory Adams, Sham Anderson

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jennifer Eddy

**STAFF PRESENT:** Matt Steinbach and Audrey Boerner (Eau Claire City-County Health Dept.); Greg Leonard (Eau Claire County Land Conservation)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tyler Fadness

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**1. Call to order by Chair**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dunning at 4:04 pm. A quorum was present.

**2. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meeting Law**

Dunning confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.

**3. Public Comment Period**

None.

**4. Review/Approval of November 18, 2019 minutes – Discussion/Action**

**ACTION:** Motion by S. Anderson/Vitale to approve the November 18, 2019 minutes as presented. Motion carried, 8-0-0.

**8. Subgroups items related to State of the Groundwater Report-Discussion/Action**

(This item was moved up in the agenda.)

The Technical/Educational Subgroup presented at the Towns Association meeting on January 29<sup>th</sup>. Topics included nitrates and water testing. The Technical subgroup is also focusing on a GPS system to more accurately place well locations. No action taken.

**5. Committee membership appointments – Discussion/Action**

Citizen member Glory Adams and citizen member with expertise in groundwater Sarah Vitale terms will expire in April. Both expressed interest in continuing their membership roles.

**ACTION:** Motion by Coffey/Adams to recommend both Adams and Vitale to replace themselves on the committee. Motion carried, 8-0-0.

**6. Water Quality Task Force update and pending legislation-Discussion/Action**

Discussion on the current legislation within the state as a result of the Water Quality Task Force, and how this may impact programs. No action taken.

**7. Update on Aquifer Mapping (Vitale)-Discussion/Action**

Vitale provided an update on aquifer mapping efforts with the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey. A partnership on internal grant opportunities may assist in starting a small section of the county to start; 2 townships within the northwest corner of the county were identified. No action taken.

**8. Subgroups items related to State of the Groundwater Report – Discussion/Action**

(Item covered earlier in agenda.)

**9. Members, Staff and Agency Updates-Discussion /Action**

- a. **Committee members** – no report.
- b. **Regional Planning Commission** – no report.
- c. **Planning and Development** – no report.
- d. **Land Conservation** – Leonard provided report of the EPA funded Environmental Education workshop held in Augusta.
- e. **Health Department** – GIS and well data will now be connected to the lab data, Steinbach reported on the Discovery Farm summit in Minnesota, and Steinbach has been appointed the County Designated Representative for the Seven Mile Landfill expansion.

**10. Next Meeting Date**

The next regular meeting date was tentatively set for May 13, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

**11. Items for the Next Agenda**

Technical and Education group updates will continue to be on the upcoming meeting agendas. Kenosian requested that PFAS and forever chemicals be placed on the next agenda.

**12. Adjourn**

Dunning adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Greg Leonard  
Land Conservation Manager