

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

**MEETING MINUTES – JULY 22, 2019
EAU CLAIRE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, Room 302
720 – 2ND AVENUE, EAU CLAIRE, WI 54701**

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Dunning, Jennifer Eddy (arrived at 4:06 pm), Nathan Anderson, Nancy Coffey, Anna Mares, Glory Adams, Sham Anderson, Mary Kenosian (arrived at 4:05 pm)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sarah Vitale

STAFF PRESENT: Matt Steinbach and Audrey Boerner (Eau Claire City-County Health Dept.); Greg Leonard (Eau Claire County Land Conservation); Jared Grande (Eau Claire County Planning & Development)

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrew Roufs

1. Call to order by Chair

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dunning at 4:00 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 May 20, 2019 minutes – Discussion/Action

ACTION: Motion by N. Anderson to approve the May 20, 2019 minutes as presented. Motion carried, 6-0-0.

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

a. Technical subgroup – Boerner provided an update of the Technical subgroup. Initial tasks are centered around the Health Department’s well data and website hosting.

(Mary Kenosian arrived; Jennifer Eddy arrived)

b. Education subgroup – Boerner provided an update of the Education subgroup. They have met 2 times. On-line/web may become the primary delivery mechanism. Question on how to reach the Amish community; they are receiving information and testing of wells through the Health Department’s Newborn water testing program.

c. Budget requests – Leonard reminded the members of the subgroups to keep in mind funding requests for projects and tasks which may be beyond current staff/departments abilities.

6. Members, Staff and Agency Updates-Discussion /Action

a. Committee members – Coffey wondered if adding volunteers to the subgroups would be beneficial. Mares reported that the DNR is requiring Transient Non-community (TN) wells over 10 ppm to come into compliance.

b. Regional Planning Commission – no report

c. Planning and Development – Grande provided an update on the Title 18 update process. There is also a new development concept submitted with a community treatment system, not individual POWTS systems. This is still a concept and will be going through a re-zoning process

- d. **Land Conservation** – Leonard provided an update on the recently approved Ag Performance Standards and Manure Storage ordinance, developing MOUs with adjoining counties for Nutrient Management Plan development, and the upcoming House Speaker’s Water Quality Task Force public hearings.
- e. **Health Department** – Steinbach reported that their office met with other health departments from across the state to discuss needs, and that September 2-12, 2019 the Health Department will celebrate Protect Your Groundwater Day with reduced rate testing available.

7. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date was set for September 16, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

8. Items for the Next Agenda

Technical and Education group updates will continue to be on the upcoming meeting agendas.

9. Adjourn

Dunning adjourned the meeting at 4:55 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
Land Conservation Manager