

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 2021

REMOTE MEETING - EAU CLAIRE, WI 54703

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Gibson, Robin Leary, Dean Solie, Glory Adams, Heather DeLuka, Tami Schraufnagel, Missy Christopherson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ricky Strauch

STAFF PRESENT: Chad Berge, Amanda Peters, Liz Fagen and Holly Kuhl – Land Conservation Division; Rod Eslinger and Jared Grande – Planning and Development

OTHERS PRESENT: KaYing Vang – USDA-NRCS, Michele Skinner – Lake Altoona, Mike Lea – Lake Eau Claire

1) Call to order by Chair

Chair Gibson called the remote meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2) Roll call

Roll call was taken; Gibson, Leary, Solie, Adams, DeLuka, Schraufnagel, and Christopherson were present. Strauch was absent. A quorum was present.

3) Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Gibson confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.

4) Public Comment Period

None.

5) Review/Approval of August 16, 2021 meeting minutes – Discussion/Action

ACTION: Motion by Leary to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote without any opposition, 7-0-0.

6) Review Vouchers and Ledger Update

The August expenditures and revenues were reviewed.

7) Approval of new and/or previously authorized Cost-Share agreements – Discussion/Action

One (1) previously authorized Cost-Share application was presented for approval.

Hickory Tate & Rebekah Ulwelling – Well Abandonment - \$200.00 (County Levy Funds), \$200.00 (Landowner funds)

ACTION: Motion by Adams to approve the cost-share agreement. Motion carried on a voice vote without any opposition, 7-0-0.

8) Demonstration Farm/Large Scale TRM project – Discussion/Action

The Large Scale TRM project grant, with the associated demonstration farm, is funded through 2021. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, staff would like to request an extension to the grant.

ACTION: Motion by Schraufnagel to request a one-year extension to the DNR-TRM grant. Motion carried on a voice vote without any opposition, 7-0-0.

9) Lake Rehabilitation/Lake District projects update – Discussion

Discussion on the Eau Claire County Lake Rehabilitation project process, ARPA funds, possible LiDAR study, and future lake district activities.

10) Conservation Technician-Agronomist position update – Discussion

Amanda Peters final day will be September 24. The position has been advertised to try to fill the vacancy as soon as possible.

11) Committee, Staff and Agency Updates

Brief reviews and updates were provided.

- a) **Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition:** Future LCC tour options in conjunction with EPA grant was discussed.
- b) **Targeted Runoff Management (TRM) program:** Nothing further to report.
- c) **Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV) program:** Nothing further to report.
- d) **Water Quality Trading with the City of Augusta:** Construction has begun. Part of the project will be completed this year and the remainder completed next spring.
- e) **Land Stewardship Subcommittee:** Nothing further to report.
- f) **USDA-NRCS / FSA:** There are approximately 26 CRP contracts/renewals. Sign-up for CSP for 2022 have not yet been announced, but are anticipated in October or November.
- g) **DNR-Forestry:** No report.
- h) **UW-Extension:** No report.

12) Future Agenda Items.

Staffing Update.

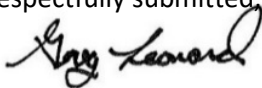
13) Set Date for next meeting

The next meeting was set for Monday, October 18, 2021 at 1:00 pm as a remote meeting.

14) Adjourn

Gibson adjourned the meeting at 1:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Greg Leonard, LCC Clerk