

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

**MEETING MINUTES – September 22, 2021, 4:00 pm, Remote meeting via WebEx**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Dunning, Nancy Coffey, Nathan Anderson, Sham Anderson, Glory Adams, Mark Kaeding, Anna Mares (arrived at 4:03), Mary Kenosian (arrived at 4:08), Sarah Vitale (arrived at 4:08)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** (none)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Greg Leonard and Liz Fagen (Eau Claire County Land Conservation); Matt Steinbach and Audrey Boerner (Eau Claire City/County Health Department), Jared Grande and Regan Watts (Planning & Development)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ty Fadness (City of Eau Claire)

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**1. Call to order by Chair**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dunning at 4:00 pm.

**2. Roll call of members present**

A roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

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

Dunning confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.

**4. Public Comment Period**

None.

**5. Review/approval of June 16, 2021 meeting minutes – Discussion/Action**

**ACTION:** Motion by S. Anderson to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2021 meetings as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote with none in opposition, 6-0-0.

**6. David Bontrager request for consideration of land use within the City of Augusta wellhead protection district as allowed in Chapter 18.55.070.A Discussion/Action**

Leonard and Grande provided an update. David Bontrager has withdrawn his request and will remove the livestock. No action is needed.

(Mares, Kenosian, and Vitale arrived)

**7. State of the Groundwater report tasks – Discussion/Action**

Committee reviewed State of the Groundwater report tasks and possible funding options with ARPA funds. Vitale provided update on phosphorous in ground water in Lake Altoona and nitrogen and phosphorous in agricultural contaminations. Steinbach and Boerner discussed groundwater quantity study needs and subdivisions. No action taken.

**8. PFAS detections in local groundwater – Discussion/Action**

Boerner provided an update on PFAS detections on the south side of Eau Claire near Highway 93.

**9. Groundwater monitoring wells on County Forest lands – Discussion/Action**

Adams provided update on monitoring wells and testing related to climate studies.

**ACTION:** Motion by Kenosian to support the request of the U.S. Geological Survey Climate Response Network to install a monitoring well in the Eau Claire County Forest property. Motion carried on a voice vote with none in opposition, 9-0-0.

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

- a. **Committee Members** – no report.
- b. **Regional Planning Commission** – no report.
- c. **Planning and Development**– Grande reported on the update to Title 18 of the County Code.
- d. **Land Conservation**– Leonard reported that the Land and Water Resource Management Plan for the Land Conservation office is a 10-year plan and will be updated by December 2022. The process to update is approximately 1 year.
- e. **Health Department** – no further report.

**11. Set next Meeting Date**

The next regular meeting date was tentatively set for December 16, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

**12. Adjourn**

Dunning adjourned the meeting at 5:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Greg Leonard  
Land Conservation Manager