

AGENDA

Eau Claire County

- Land Conservation Commission •

Date: Monday April 10, 2023 **Time:** 1:00 pm

Location: Ag Resource Center, Room 103 & 104

227 1st Street West, Altoona, WI 54720

Join WebEx Meeting:

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Meeting number: 2597 089 9367, Password: J5ZyJscKM28

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For those wishing to make public comment, you must e-mail Chad Berge at chad.berge@eauclairecounty.gov at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Call to order by the Chair
2. Roll call
3. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meeting Law
4. Public Comment Period
5. Review/Approval of the March 13, 2023, meeting minutes (Discussion/Action) **Pages 2-3**
6. Review Vouchers and Ledger Update (Discussion) **Page 4**
7. Approval of new and/or previously authorized Cost-Share agreements (Discussion/Action) **Pages 5-10**
8. Consideration of Land Stewardship Subcommittee Member nominations (Discussion/Action)
9. No-till Drill user fee (Discussion/Action) **Page 11**
10. No-till Drill service area (Discussion/Action)
11. West Central Area Conservation Association - Barron County Tour (Discussion)
12. Committee, Staff and Agency Updates
 - a. Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition
 - b. Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV) program
 - c. Land Stewardship Subcommittee – Mathy/Taylor Creek Update
 - d. USDA-NRCS / FSA
 - e. DNR/Forestry
 - f. UW-Extension
 - g. Beaver Creek Reserve
13. Future Agenda items
14. Set date for next meeting
15. Adjourn

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023

AG RESOURCE CENTER, RM. 103 & 104

227 – 1ST STREET WEST, ALTOONA, WI 54720

Members Present: Robin Leary, Tami Schraufnagel, Jim Stensen, Heather DeLuka (Remote), Missy Christopherson (arrived at 1:15pm), Jodi Lepsch

Members Absent: Glory Adams, Ricky Strauch

Staff Present: Chad Berge, Christina Rauh, Tim Wucherer, Zach Mohr – Land Conservation Division

Others Present:

1) Call to order by Chair

Chair Leary called the meeting to order at 1:09 pm.

2) Roll call

Roll call was taken. A quorum was present with 5 members in attendance. Chair Leary approved DeLuka to participate via remote access.

3) Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Leary confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.

4) Public Comment Period

No comments.

5) Review/Approval of February 13, 2023, meeting minutes

DISCUSSION: The February 13, 2023, meeting minutes were reviewed.

ACTION: Motion by Lepsch to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote with none in opposition, 5-0-0.

6) Review Vouchers and Ledger Update

DISCUSSION: The February 2023 expenditures and revenues were reviewed. Christopherson arrived at 1:15 pm.

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

DISCUSSION: No cost-share applications were previously authorized. The following cost-share applications were presented for approval:

- Don Steinke – NMP/Soil Sampling - \$1,000.00 (NMFE)
- Steven Peterson – NMP/Soil Sampling - \$400.00 (NMFE)
- Kyle Wathke – NMP/Soil Sampling - \$440.00 (NMFE)
- Greg Fedie (Fedie Farms) – NMP/Soil Sampling - \$1,000.00 (NMFE)
- Andrew Odegard – NMP/Soil Sampling - \$328.00 (NMFE)

ACTION: Motion by Schraufnagel to approve the cost-share agreements as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote with none in opposition, 6-0-0.

8) Review and consideration of the 2023 APHIS black bear work plan.

DISCUSSION: Berge presented the black bear workplan and provided a brief background and history of how the program functions.

ACTION: Motion by Lepsch to approve the 2023 APHIS black bear work plan as presented and pay the \$1,000.00 USDA APHIS fee. Motion carried on a voice vote with none in opposition, 6-0-0.

9) No-till Drill trade in.

DISCUSSION: Wucherer provided an update stating the LCD is working with local implement dealerships to obtain estimates for a new Great Plains 1006NT drill. The current drill will need maintenance soon, so now is the time to investigate whether to keep the existing drill and complete maintenance or trade it in. Our preliminary numbers from the dealerships are promising that with the trade in, plus the funds from the rental program, the cost will be covered to purchase a new drill.

ACTION: Motion by Christopherson to approve the purchase of a new no-till drill if the cost is covered by the program. Motion carried on a voice vote with none in opposition, 6-0-0.

10) Committee, Staff and Agency Updates

Brief reviews and updates were provided.

a. Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition:

Berge attended the previous meeting and provided an update to the LCC.

b. Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV) program:

2023 funds have been applied for and should be arriving in March.

c. Land Stewardship Subcommittee:

No meeting has been held in 2023. The Land Donation Special Committee continues to meet and is working towards making recommendations of how the donated property should be managed.

d. USDA-NRCS / FSA:

No update.

e. DNR-Forestry:

No update.

f. UW-Extension:

No update.

g. Beaver Creek Reserve

Lia Landowski is leaving Beaver Creek Reserve.

11) Future Agenda Items.

12) Set date for next meeting

The next LCC meeting was set for April 10th, 2023, at 1:00 pm.

13) Adjourn

Leary adjourned the meeting at 2:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chad Berge, LCC Clerk

Land Conservation Division 2023 Bills and Deposits

The following bills were sent to the Finance Department for payment.

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March

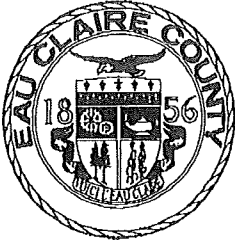
Invoices

Vendor	Description	Account #	Amount
Christina Rauh	WI Land+Water Conf. Reimbursement	100-15-56920-340-000	\$ 295.00
Paint Creek Nursery	Tree Sale - Final Payment	100-15-56922-829-701	\$ 3,550.00
Alpha Nurseries	Tree Sale - Final Payment	100-15-56922-829-701	\$ 1,630.80
Laura's Lane Nursery	Tree Sale - Final Payment	100-15-56922-829-701	\$ 4,820.00
Engels Nursery	Tree Sale - Final Payment	100-15-56922-829-701	\$ 1,463.08
Christina Rauh	Meal Reimbursement	100-15-56920-340-000	\$ 36.83
Lake Eau Claire Rehab&Protection	Sediment & Aeration Costs	201-15-57730-829-000	\$ 30,809.19
Zach Mohr	Conference Reimbursement	100-15-56920-340-000	\$ 125.86
Voyager	February Fuel	100-15-56920-330-000	\$ 42.79
USDA	2023 Bear Abatement	100-15-56922-390-702	\$ 1,000.00
Chula Vista Resort-Pcard	WI Land + Water Conference	100-15-56920-340-000	\$ 90.00
Dept of Safety & Prof Services-Pcard	Erosion Control & Soil Certification	100-15-56922-324-000	\$ 50.17
Chula Vista Resort-Pcard	WI Land + Water Conference	100-15-56920-340-000	\$ 90.00
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Total			\$ 44,093.72

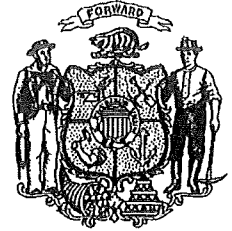
Deposits

The following deposits were taken to the Treasury Department to be processed.

Vendor	Description	Date	Account Number	Amount Deposited
City of Fountain City	MDV Funds	3/3/2023	207-15-43586-000-701	\$ 388.31
Stone Pro LLC	SW-23-01 Financial Assurance	3/15/2023	100-00-23172-000-000	\$ 31,039.00
State of WI - DATCP	2022 Staffing Reimbursement	3/15/2023	22-100-15-43586-000-000	\$ 171,295.00
State of WI - DATCP	2022 Innovation Grant Reimbursement	3/15/2023	22-207-15-43586-003-707	\$ 3,000.00
State of WI - DATCP	2022 NMFE Reimbursement	3/15/2023	22-207-15-43586-005-708	\$ 4,144.00
State of WI - DNR	2022 TRM Reimbursement	3/16/2023	22-207-15-43586-000-719	\$ 14,110.05
7825 Prill Road LLC	SW-23-04 Prill Ridge Acres	3/27/2023	100-15-46820-000-000	\$ 2,225.00
State of WI - DNR	2022 Wildlife Damange Reimbursement	3/27/2023	100-15-43586-000-702	\$ 7,235.55
Multiple	Tree Sale	March	100-15-46810-000-701	\$ 175.00
Total			\$	233,611.91



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COST SHARE AGREEMENT

NAME Paul & Emily Madsen
TELEPHONE 715-215-8484
ADDRESS 5572 Prill Rd
UNITS 1

PRACTICE 580 - Streambank & Shoreline
Protection
PRACTICE _____

AGREEMENT PROVISIONS:

1.	TOTAL:	DATCP ^{MOV}	COUNTY	GRANTEE
	<u>28,816.00</u>	X 50.0 % <u>55%</u>	X 5.0 %	<u>X 45.0 %</u>
ESTIMATED COST:	<u>\$45,000.00</u>	<u>\$22,500.00</u> ^{15,848.80}	<u>\$2,250.00</u>	<u>\$20,250.00</u>
ACTUAL COST:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Any practice cost estimated to exceed \$25,000 requires bids. The Land Conservation Division (LCD) will obtain these.

2. AS A COST SHARE RECIPIENT, I AGREE TO:

- A. Install the practice(s) listed above by December 31, 2023. If NOT installed by December 31, 2023, I understand that cost share funds shall be withdrawn and reallocated to other projects, unless the parties in writing agree to an extension. A Nutrient Management Plan must be developed within one year of installation of other practices.
- B. Notify Eau Claire County Land Conservation Division (LCD) staff immediately if I decide to withdraw from this agreement.
- C. Operate and maintain the practice(s) for a period of ten (10) years from the time of installation.
- D. Repay the full amount of cost share funds to Eau Claire County, if:
 - 1) The practice(s) is rendered ineffective during its ten (10) year life span due to an action or neglect on my part.
 - 2) A change in ownership, land use, or management occurs –unless the new owner agrees in writing to assume operation and maintenance of the practice(s) for the rest of the agreement period or it can be demonstrated a change in land use or management affecting the installed practice(s) will not result in deterioration of soil and water resources.
- E. Hire a contractor for practice(s) estimated to cost less than \$25,000.
- F. Provide at least three (3) days notice to the LCD office that installation will occur.
- G. Install the practice according to the design, standards, and specifications provided by the LCD staff.
- H. Submit all receipts to the LCD office. Payment will be made after inspection and certification from LCD staff that the practice(s) was installed and completed according to the design.

3. THE LAND CONSERVATION DIVISION AGREES TO:

- A. Provide technical assistance for design, construction, and inspection for the practice (s).
- B. Obtain bids for practices estimated to cost \$25,000 or more.
- C. Pay the cost share rate when the receipts are received and the practices (s) is certified complete.

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION DIVISION
COST SHARE AGREEMENT**

I request cost sharing for the practice (s) listed on Page 1 of this agreement and agree to install and maintain the practice(s) in accordance with the "Agreement Provisions" listed:

SIGNATURE *[Signature]* DATE 11-7-22

ADDRESS 5572 Prill Rd Eau Claire WI 54701
MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP

LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACTION:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPROVED	<input type="checkbox"/> DENIED
<u><i>Robin J Leary</i></u>		<u>11-14-22</u>	
LCC MEMBER		DATE	
LCC APPROVAL REQUIRED IF UPDATED COSTS EXCEED <u>50</u> %			

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Practice _____ Units Installed _____

The above practice(s) & units were installed according to the Standards & Specifications:

Technician's Signature Date

Remarks: _____

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS INCURRED: \$ _____

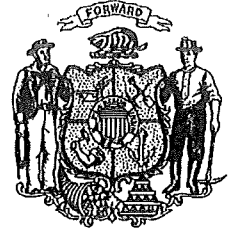
	DATCP	COUNTY	GRANTEE
COST SHARE RATE:	X _____ %	X _____ %	X _____ %
ELIGIBLE COST SHARE AMOUNT:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

THE APPLICANT HAS MET ALL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE COST SHARE PAYMENT FROM EAU CLAIRE COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT SHOWN ABOVE:

ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE DATE



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COST SHARE AGREEMENT

NAME Scott Geske

PRACTICE 412-Grassed Waterway

TELEPHONE 715-577-7275

ADDRESS E 12805 Hilltop Drive, Fall Creek, WI 54742

PRACTICE _____

UNITS 1 Waterway

AGREEMENT PROVISIONS:

1.	TOTAL:	DATCP	MIDV COUNTY	GRANTEE
	\$ 10,036.00	X 70 % 67.37%	X 5 % 7.63%	X 25 %
ESTIMATED COST:	\$ 12,088.00	\$ 8,461.60 \$ 6,761.37	\$ 604.40 \$ 765.63	\$ 3,022.00
ACTUAL COST:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

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COST SHARE AGREEMENT**

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SIGNATURE Scott Gerbe DATE 11-9-22

ADDRESS E12805 Hilltop Drive Fall Creek WI 54742
MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP

LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVED	<input type="checkbox"/> DENIED
_____ LCC MEMBER	_____ DATE	
LCC APPROVAL REQUIRED IF UPDATED COSTS EXCEED <u>50</u> %		

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Practice Grassed Waterway Units Installed 1

The above practice(s) & units were installed according to the Standards & Specifications:

Technician's Signature Date

Remarks: _____

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS INCURRED: \$ _____

	DATCP	COUNTY	GRANTEE
COST SHARE RATE:	X _____ %	X _____ %	X _____ %
ELIGIBLE COST SHARE AMOUNT:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE DATE



**Eau Claire
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LAND CONSERVATION**

**NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT
COST SHARE AGREEMENT**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME: Larry Watnke TELEPHONE: 715-797-2691
 ADDRESS: S 9866 City rd Kakak
 FARM LOCATION: Full Creek 5:21 co/w
 TOWN RANGE SECTION TOWNSHIP

AGREEMENT PROVISIONS

1. COST SHARE DETAILS

PRACTICE: Nutrient Management ACRES: 250 COST SHARE RATE: \$ 4 / ACRE
 COST SHARE SOURCE: 2023 NMFE TOTAL COST SHARE AMOUNT: \$ 1000.00

2. AS A COST SHARE RECIPIENT, I AGREE TO:

- A. Submit a copy of the certified Nutrient Management Plan and all materials, including current soil samples, by the end of the calendar year.
 - a. Soil samples can be no older than 4 years.
 - b. Soil samples must be taken at a minimum rate of 1 sample per 5 acres.
 - c. Implement and annually update the nutrient management plan once it has been approved by a Certified Nutrient Management Planner.
- B. Develop and implement a Conservation Plan that meets tolerable soil loss "T".
- C. Notify Eau Claire County Land Conservation Division staff immediately if I decide to withdraw from this agreement.

3. THE LAND CONSERVATION DIVISION AGREES TO:

- A. Reimburse the Applicant at the cost share rate (above) when:
 - a. The Land Conservation Commission has approved this Agreement;
 - b. A Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program Cost Share Contract has been signed by the Applicant and all Landowners (if applicable)
 - c. A Nutrient Management Plan has been submitted that meets NRCS Practice Standard 590 & Technical Note WI-1.

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COST SHARE AGREEMENT**

I request cost sharing for the practice (s) listed on Page 1 of this agreement and agree to install and maintain the practice(s) in accordance with the "Agreement Provisions" listed:

Lacey Wathler

3-9-2023

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

DATE

LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> APPROVE	<input type="checkbox"/> DENY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEMBER	DATE	

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I certify that the Nutrient Management Plan submitted meets NRCS Practice Standard 590 and Technical Note WI-1:

LAND CONSERVATION DIVISION TECHNICIAN

DATE

TOTAL ACRES		ACRES
COST SHARE RATE	\$	PER ACRE
TOTAL COST SHARE AMOUNT	\$	
COST SHARE SOURCE		

THE APPLICANT HAS MET ALL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE COST SHARE PAYMENT FROM EAU CLAIRE COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT SHOWN ABOVE:

LAND CONSERVATION DIVISION MANAGER

DATE



Great Plains 1006NT End Wheel No-Till Compact Drill

10 foot wide, heavy drill with three seed boxes: main box for large seeds; small seed attachment for clovers & small grasses; native grass attachment for fluffy, hard to plant grasses. Requires minimum 75 hp tractor with hydraulics.

Name: _____	Phone: _____
Address: _____	
Drill Use: Soybeans Small Grains Forages Cover Crops Native Plantings Waterways	

Great Plains 1006NT Rental & Operating Agreement

The undersigned agrees to the following:

1. Pay a rental fee of a flat rate of \$50.00 plus \$8.00 per seeded acre to Eau Claire County Land Conservation Division (LCD). An invoice will be sent after seeding and payment is due within 30 days. Late payments will be subject to additional fees.
2. Keep the drill for no more than two days. The undersigned will be charged an additional \$50.00 per additional day the drill is kept;
3. Coordinate delivery and pick up with LCD staff, or other renters if necessary;
4. Have and provide proof of a liability insurance policy which is current and adequate to cover any damage or injury incurred through the transport or use of the drill;
5. Read and follow all manufacturer's recommendations in the owner's manual pertaining to use and operation prior to operating the drill;
6. Pay for any repairs beyond normal wear and tear while the drill is in his/her custody, including lost or damaged hitch pins and adapters;
7. Transport the drill with adequate truck or tractor capable of towing 4,500 pounds, at safe towing speeds not to exceed 30 MPH;
8. Calibrate the drill according to seed and field conditions. LCD staff are available to help with calibration. LCD is not responsible for failed seedings due to weather, improper drill settings or faulty seed, or any perceived or actual damage as a result of renting the drill from Eau Claire County LCD;
9. Use the drill with a minimum of 75 horsepower tractor with hydraulics;
10. Return the drill in the same condition as when it arrived. This includes overall cleaning, vacuuming seed boxes, and greasing zerks after use.

The undersigned agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Eau Claire County and its employees and agents, individually and collectively, from and against all costs, losses, claims, actions, and judgments arising from personal injuries, property damage or otherwise, however caused, that may arise from or be alleged to be caused by the undersigned's use, including transport, of Eau Claire County Land Conservation Division's Great Plains 1006NT drill.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Delivery Date:		Return Date:	
Beginning acres:		Ending Acres:	
Total Acres:		Amount Due:	