Eau Claire County

• PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE •

Date: Tuesday, June 27, 2023 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Eau Claire County Courthouse, 721 Oxford Ave, Room 1277, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703

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A majority of the county board may be in attendance at this meeting, however, only members of the committee may take action on an agenda item.

- 1. Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice
- Roll Call
- 3. Public Comment (15 minute maximum)
- 4. Review/Approval of June 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes / Discussion Action
- 5. Public Hearings
 - a. Proposed Ordinance: File No. 23-24/017 to rezone 4.56 acres +/- from A-2 Agriculture-Residential to RH Rural Homes District. Owner(s): Kenneth & Constance Lewis Trust. Applicant(s): Pete Gartmann, Real Land Surveying. Legal: A parcel of land in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 11, T27N, R10W, Town of Union, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin, being part of Lot 1, Certified Survey Map 1028 recorded in Volume 5 of Certified Survey Maps, pages 257-258. RZN-0005-23 Pages 6-21
 - b. Continuation of a conditional use permit concerning a request for the noncommercial raising of animals (up to 10 goats) in the RH zoning district. Owner: Alicia McElroy. Legal: Lot 4, Sixth Assessor's Plat, Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. CUP-0005-23 Pages 22-46
- 6. Land Conservation Annual Report Update / Discussion Pages 47-62
- 7. Review of May bills / Discussion Page 63
- 8. Proposed Future Agenda Items / Discussion
 - a. Next scheduled meeting July 11, 2023
- 9. Adjourn

Prepared by: Holly Weigand

MINUTES

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Members Present: James Dunning, Dane Zook, Todd Meyer, Nancy Coffey

Members Absent: Robin Leary Ex officio Present: Chair Smiar

Staff Present: Rodney J. Eslinger, Ben Bublitz

1. Call to Order and confirmation of meeting notice

Acting Chair Dunning called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and confirmed with Director Eslinger that the meeting was properly noticed.

- 2. Roll Call Members present are noted above. A quorum was present.
- 3. Public Comment (15 minute maximum) None
- 4. Review/Approval of May 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes / Discussion Action

The committee reviewed the May 23, 2023 meeting minutes.

ACTION: Motion by Nancy Coffey to approve the May 23, 2023 committee meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote: 4-0-0

- 5. Public Hearings
 - a. Proposed Ordinance: File No. 23-24/013 rezone 3.38 acres +/- from A-P Agricultural Preservation District to the A-2 Agriculture-Residential District. Owner: Dale Rodman. Applicant: Jeremy Skaw.
 Legal: Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map # 898, recorded in Volume 5, Pages 7-8 # 636460, Town of Pleasant Valley, Eau Claire County, WI. RZN-0003-23

Rodney J. Eslinger, Director of Planning and Development for Eau Claire County presented the staff report to the committee. He updated the committee as to the location of the rezoning petition within the town. He reviewed with the committee an aerial map, the zoning and future land use map, and a soil map of the property to be rezoned. He noted that this rezoned is adjacent to the proposed Juniper Ridge subdivision off County Highway HH. Mr. Eslinger said the Town of Pleasant Valley Town Board reviewed the rezoning petition at their meeting on June 12, 2023, and voted to recommend approval of the petition. Mr. Eslinger concluded his presentation by recommending that the committee approve the rezoning petition based on the following findings: 1.) the request is generally consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Eau Claire County Comprehensive

Plan, and the Future Land Use Map. 2.) the property is surrounded by A-2 zoning, including the future Juniper Ridge subdivision. 3.) the property to be rezoned is developed with a farmstead, with the remaining property being wooded, and no tillable land will be impacted with this rezoning.

Jeremy Skaw of Real Land Surveying, spoke in favor of the request. He said the area to be rezoned was going to be combined with adjacent land already zoned A-2 that would result in a 8.8 acre lot and would fix the dual zoning lot issue.

Christine Rodman, property owner, joined the meeting remotely after the public hearing ended.

No one else spoke in favor or in oppose to the rezoning petition.

ACTION: Motion by Todd Meyer to approve the Proposed Ordinance: File No. 23-24/013. Motion carried on a voice vote: 4-0-0

b. A conditional use permit concerning a request for the noncommercial raising of animals (up to 10 goats) in the RH zoning district. Owner: Alicia McElroy. Legal: Lot 4, Sixth Assessor's Plat, Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. CUP-0005-23

Ben Bublitz, Land Use Manager for Eau Claire County presented the staff report to the committee. He shared the location map, an aerial map, and topographic map of the property with the committee. Ben explained that the applicant was requesting a conditional use permit to raise goats on property zoned RH to control the spread of buckthorn on their 7-acre property. He reviewed the county's requirements for the noncommercial raising of animals with the committee. The Town of Seymour Town Board reviewed the application at their June 12th town board meeting voted to recommend approval of the request, subject of the conditional use permit being reviewed by the committee after one year.

Mr. Bublitz concluded by indicating that the conditional use application for raising up to 10 goats on the 7 acres property appears to be consistent with the standards for keeping livestock in the RH District and that the applicant has an approved nutrient management plan by the Land Conservation Division.

Matt and Alicia McElroy, owners and applicants, spoke in favor of the request and indicated that they would maintain the goats in small paddocks with the intention of control the spread of buckthorn on their property. They felt the property is larger enough to maintain the 10 goats. Matt noted he has some family experience with raising goats. He indicated that he was going to convert an old camper to be used as a goat shelter that would be capable of being moved around the property.

Speaking in favor of the McElroy's request were: Joe Knight, 5555 Northwood Court Cody and Erica Fiedler, 729 Bauer Ave.

Speaking in opposition of the McElroy's request were:

Erica Bednar, 805 Bauer Ave. – Concerned about the fencing.

Al Jarocki, 5453 North Shore Drive – Concerned about the fencing and this is not a farm community. Cindy Oslon and Dan Miller, 7088 178th Street, CF (owners of a vacant lot on Lake Altoona) – Not a farm community and goats are noisy.

Jim Brovcek, 5449 North Shore Drive – Concerned about goats getting out of their fenced environment.

Jim Kuhling, 5457 North Shore Drive – Concerned about fencing.

Linda Parfit, 5565 North Shore Drive – Concerned about fencing.

ACTION: Motion by Todd Meyer to postpone action on the applicant's conditional use permit request for the noncommercial raising of animals (up to 10 goats) in the RH zoning district to the committee's June 27, 2023 meeting to allow the applicant addition time to address the fencing concerns raised by the neighbors.

Motion carried on a voice vote: 4-0-0.

6. Committee Review— A request to reduce the contiguous buildable area of lot from 21,780 square feet to 3,489 square feet. Lot located in part of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 4, Township 26 North, Range 6 West, Town of Bridge Creek, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. (Kinderman/Gartmann) / Discussion – Action

Ben Bublitz, Land Use Manager for Eau Claire County presented the staff report to the committee. He shared the location map, an aerial map, topographic map of the property, and the site drawings provided by the applicant. Ben explained that the applicant was requesting a subdivision request to create a lot with a contiguous buildable area of 3,498 square feet. Mr. Bublitz indicated that the property is currently an out lot of the 1983 assessor plat of Lake Eau Claire. He indicated that historically the property was retained by the bar owner across the road. Ben said that if the request is approved that the owner would like to construct a small family cabin on it. He indicated that the applicant has secured approvals from the County Highway Department for an access and a variance for a reduced the building setback off County Highway ND. He also indicated that Chad Berge, Land Conservation Manager okayed the buildable area. He concluded by noting that there is a suitable area on site for a septic system.

Vicki and Dennis Kinderman provided additional historical background of the lot. She said that her parents owned the property, and she grew up in the area. Vicki indicated that her parents later sold the properties to her brother in-law. Her brother-in-law recently sold the bar and the Kinderman's purchased the out lot at that time. She stated their intentions are to create a generational space for their family. Dennis provided additional clarification on the septic system design and indicated that it will be provided with a pre-treatment tank.

Brandon and Tammy Andries, owners of the adjacent lot to the east of the Kinderman's out lot spoke against the variance. They were concerned with the drainage from the Kinderman out lot onto their lot, having the driveway and improvements placed so close to their property would result in a loss of privacy and they were concerned with the overall disturbance of 7,000 square feet. Brandon was unclear how they met a hardship.

Supervisor Coffey indicated she could not support the request, but it the committee approved it she requested that the last sentence from Chad Berge's email dated May 30th be included in the motion as follows: "A condition be made that a preconstruction meeting be held with the landowner and contractor prior to grading taking place."

No one else spoke in favor or in opposition.

ACTION: Motion by Todd Meyer to approve A request to reduce the contiguous buildable area of lot from 21,780 square feet to 3,489 square feet.

Amendment by Meyer to include "a condition that a preconstruction meeting be held with the landowner and contractor prior to grading taking place." Motion to amend the original motion carried on a voice vote: 4-0-0.

Original motion as amended: on a voice vote, 2 ayes (Meyer and Zook) and 2 no (Dunning and Coffey), motion fails.

7. Register of Deeds Update / Discussion

Tina Pommier, Register of Deeds, gave an update on year-to-date document recording numbers. She indicated the document recording numbers are down 37% from 2022 but are generally consistent with recording numbers from 2018 and 2019. She said that recent spikes in interest rates have led to few refinances. Her office has been working on a scanning project, which involved scanning over 500 historical books. Tina concluded by giving an update on the timeline for incorporating the County Clerk into the Register of Deeds office.

- 8. Proposed Future Agenda Items / Discussion
 - a. Next scheduled meeting June 27, 2023
 - b. Sustainability Committee Update
 - c. Re-monumentation Update
- 9. **Adjourn**

ACTION: Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rodney Eslinger Clerk, Committee on Planning & Development



EAU CLAIRE COUNTY PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDATION

REZONE NUMBER: RZN-0005-23 COMPUTER NUMBER: 022103109040

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: June 27, 2023

STAFF CONTACT: Matt Michels, AICP, Senior Planner

OWNER: Kenneth A. & Constance L. Lewis Trust

AGENT: Pete Gartmann, RLS, 1356 International Dr, Eau Claire, WI 54701

REQUEST: Rezone 4.56 acres +/- from A-2 to RH for the purpose of complying with

minimum lot size requirements in order to sell the property.

LOCATION: North side of Folsom St. approximately one-quarter mile east of Kane Rd.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Part of the SW¼ SW¼ of Section 11, T27N, R10W, Town of Union, Eau

Claire County (complete legal description attached)

RECOMMENDATION Approval based on the findings on Page 3 of this report.

BACKGROUND

SITE CHARACTERISTICS:

- There is an existing outbuilding on the southern portion of the property.
- The property has no environmentally sensitive areas.
- The property borders the Wild Ridge Golf Course, which is in the City of Eau Claire.

CURRENT ZONING:

A-2 Agriculture-Residential District. The A-2 District is established to "A. Provide an area for limited residential and hobby farm development in a rural atmosphere; and B. Preserve the county's natural resources and open space." Minimum lot size in the A-2 District is five (5) acres.

REQUESTED ZONING DISTRICT:

RH Rural Homes District. The RH Rural Homes District is established to "provide for suburban large-lot development with individual on-site water and sewage disposal facilities."

ZONING/LAND USE CONTEXT:

LOCATION	ZONING	LAND USE(S)
Subject	A-2	Existing outbuilding; Open fields
North	City of EC R-1	Woodlands
East	City of EC R-1	Golf Course
South	A-2	Single-family residence; Agricultural fields
West	A-2	Single-family residences

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

The Eau Claire County and Town of Union Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Maps both include this property in the Rural Residential (RR) planning area, consistent with this rezone request. Following is a description of the intent of the applicable County and Town comprehensive plan future land use category and applicable policies:

Eau Claire County:

- Rural Residential Intent and Description: "The primary intent of this classification is to identify areas suitable for future non-farm residential development. Rural Residential areas include lands that are delineated as existing residential properties or vacant platted areas. In addition, some undeveloped land has been designated for RR development where subdivision expansion is likely to occur. These additional areas tend to be adjacent to existing rural subdivisions or where local roads and utilities exist to efficiently and economically serve the area."
- Applicable Policies: The following policies are applicable to this rezoning petition.
 - 1. The preferred housing density is one (1) unit per two (2) acres; however, local comprehensive plans may be more or less restrictive than this guideline and generally range from one (1) unit per two (2) acres to one (1) unit per 10 acres.
 - 3. For those Towns under County Zoning, the following Eau Claire County Zoning Districts will be considered for approval within RR areas: RH Rural Homes District and the R-1-L Single Family Residential

Town of Union:

Rural Residential (RR) Comprehensive Plan Intent and Description: The primary intent of this classification is to identify areas suitable for future non-farm residential development. Rural Residential areas include lands that are delineated as existing residential properties or vacant platted areas. In addition, some undeveloped land has been designated for RR development where subdivision expansion is likely to occur. These additional areas tend to be adjacent to existing rural subdivisions or where local roads and utilities exist to efficiently and economically serve the area.

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 - 3. The following Eau Claire County Zoning Districts will be considered for approval within RR areas: RH Rural Homes District and the R-1-L Single Family Residential Large Lot (with approved conservation subdivisions).

Comprehensive Plan Summary

The proposed RH zoning district is consistent with the intent and description and the applicable policies of the Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN:

The property is not included in the Farmland Preservation Plan Map as A-2 is not a certified farmland preservation zoning district.

ANALYSIS

When rezoning land, a finding should be made that the purpose of the proposed zoning district and the uses that are allowed in that district are appropriate for the location; and that the rezoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance. A finding should also be made that the rezone is consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan.

The primary purpose of the zoning ordinance is to:

- Separate incompatible land uses from one another
- Maintain public health and safety
- Protect and conserve natural resources
- Prevent overcrowding
- Preserve property values
- Maintain the general welfare of the citizens

The rezoning petition has been evaluated for consistency with the purpose of the RH zoning district and the uses allowed in the district. The request is substantially consistent with the purpose of the zoning ordinance based on the following findings:

CONCLUSION

The rezone petition has been evaluated for consistency with the following:

- Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan future land use designation
- Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan goals, objectives, and policies
- Eau Claire County Zoning Ordinance, including purpose of the zoning code and allowable uses in the RH District

Public Input:

The public hearing before the P&D Committee has been noticed consistent with state statute and county policy. No correspondence in favor or against has been received, to date.

<u>Town Board Action</u>: The Town Union Board will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed rezoning on June 13, 2023.

FINDINGS

Findings In Favor:

- 1. The Town of Union and Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plans both designate the property Rural Residential, which allows RH zoning.
- 2. The lot is already existing, and no new lots are intended to be created with this rezoning. The lot configuration, with limited roadway frontage (<160 ft, or just over the required 150' per RH lot), would likely limit any future divisions of the property.
- 3. There are several RH zoned properties near the subject property.

Staff recommends that the Planning and Development Committee file a recommendation of approval to the County Board for the petition to rezone 4.56 acres +/- of land from A-2 (Agricultural Residential) to RH (Rural Homes) District for the purpose of complying with minimum lot size requirements in order to sell the property.



Department of Planning and Development

Eau Claire County Courthouse 721 Oxford Avenue, Room 3344 Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703 715-839-4741

05/17/2023 Application Accepted: Matt Michels Accepted By: 73719 Receipt Number: Town Hearing Date: Scheduled Hearing Date: 06/27/2023 Application No: RZN-0005-23

Rezoning Petition

Owner/Applicant Name(s):

Owner:

KENNETH A & CONSTANCE L LEWIS TRUST

Applicant: RLS/Pete Gartmann, 1356 International Dr, Eau Claire, WI 54701

Telephone: (715) 514-4116

EMail: pgratmann@rlswi.com

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COUNTY CLERK

Site Address(es):

Sec 11 Twn 27 Rge 10

No Address Available

Property Description:

Town of Union

Application Status:

Zoning District(s):

Lot Area(s) - Acres:

Overlay District(s):

4.64

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PIN

Legal (partial)

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PRT SW-SW BNG PRT OF LOT 1 CSM 1028 (VOL 5 P 257 #664606) DESC AS FOL: BEG S

Pursuant to the procedure described in Wisconsin Statutes Section 59.69(5), I hereby petition the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors to amend the following Zoning District from:

At the public hearing, the applicant may appear in person or through an agent or an attorney of his/her choice. The applicant/agent/attorney may present testimony, evidence, and arguments in support of the application. All site plans, pictures, etc. become the property of the Department, and will remain in the file.



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Application Accepted:	5/17/23
Accepted By:	nin
Application Number:	RZN-0005-23; 41781
Town Hearing Date:	6/13/23 (?)
Scheduled Hearing Date:	6/27/23

REZONING APPLICATION

Pursuant to the p	rocedure descril	bed in Wiscons	sin Statutes Section to amend the			the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors
Existing Zoning Distri	ct: A-2			Proposed Zon	ing District(s): R	H
Acres to be rezoned:	4.5			-		
Property Owner Nam	e: Lewis Trust	t, Kenneth an	d Constance		Phone# 71	5-590-4214
Mailing Address: 4	110 W Folsom	St Eau Claire	WI 54703			
Email Address:						3
Agent Name: RLS /					Phone# 71	5-514-4116
Mailing Address: 10	356 Internation	al Drive Eau	Claire WI 54701			
Email Address: pgai	rtmann@rlswi.d	com				
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Overlay District: Check Applicable	☐ Shoreland	□ Floodpla	in □ Airport	□ Wellhea	d Protection	□ Non-Metallic Mining
Computer #(s):	02210310	09040				
PIN #(s):	10822-2-2710	011-330-9002				
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR A REZONING PETITION

In order to process your application as quickly as possible, please fill in all of the sections below that are applicable to your request, and attach all appropriate maps or plans described below that are relevant to your request.

Describe the reason(s) for your rezoning request:

To Male the Existing Cot to conform to the Zoning CODE!

☐ When evaluating a rezoning petition, staff from the Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development consider whether the purpose of the proposed zoning district and the uses allowed in the district are appropriate for the selected location. Staff also considers whether the change in zoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance, which is to separate incompatible land uses from one another, to maintain public health and safety, to protect and conserve natural resources, to prevent overcrowding, to preserve property values, and to maintain the general welfare of the citizens. Please describe how the proposed zoning district and the uses allowed in that district are appropriate for the selected location, and how the proposed change in zoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance.

Next to City of EAU Claire Res. Zoning Adjacent

REZONING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

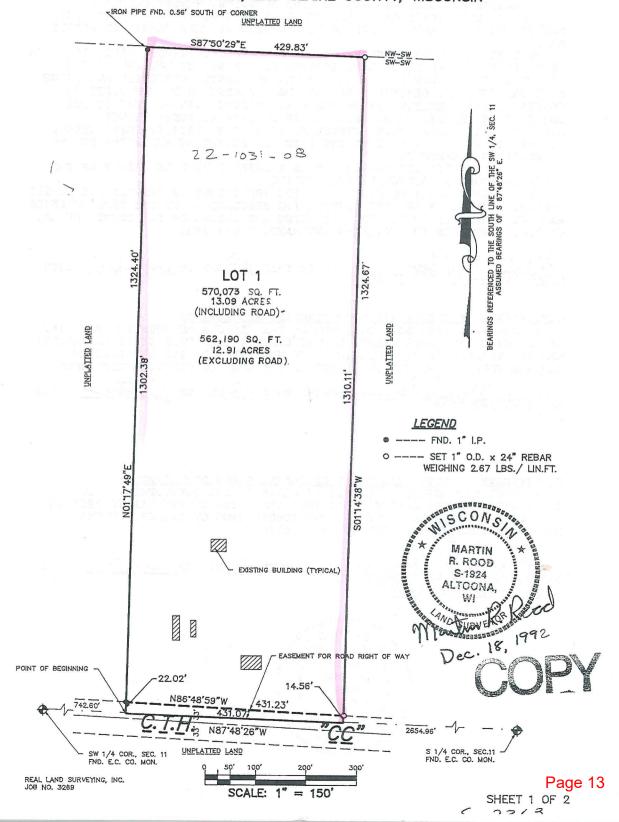
Applications are due by Tuesday at 12:00 PM three weeks prior to the Committee on Planning and Development meeting. The application must include the items listed below. After a preliminary review, additional information may be needed. A hearing will not be scheduled until the application is deemed complete. Applications are considered complete when all materials and associated fees are received and approved by staff.

Required Ap	plication	Items:
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- Application must be signed by the property owner(s)
- 며 A legal description of land and address of land to be rezoned
- Decomplete the attached supplemental rezoning information sheet
 - Describe the reason for the request
 - Describe how the proposed zoning district and the uses allowed in that district are appropriate for the selected location, and how the proposed change in zoning will uphold the purpose of the zoning ordinance
 - Explain and justify why this particular property is under consideration for rezoning
 - For rezoning requests from A-P to any zoning district other than the AR district must consider the factors in Section 18.32.055 A. D.
 - For rezoning requests from the A-P to the AR zoning district must consider the factors in Section 18.06.050 A. D.
 - o For rezoning requests out of the Shoreland-wetland district must consider Section 18.19.100 B

REC 4-21-94 CSM V5 P257-258 DOC # 664606

CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP PART OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4, SEC. 11, T27N, R10W, TOWN OF UNION, EAU CLAIRE COUNTY, WISCONSIN



CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP

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SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE:

I, MARTIN R. ROOD, REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR, HEREBY CERTIFY:
THAT BY THE DIRECTION OF RAY LEWIS, I HAVE SURVEYED, DIVIDED AND
MAPPED THE LAND PARCEL WHICH IS REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFIED SURVEY
MAP.

THAT THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARY OF THE LAND PARCEL SURVEYED AND MAPPED IS AS FOLLOWS: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SW% OF THE SW%, SECTION 11, T27N, R10W, TOWN OF UNION, EAU CLAIRE COUNTY, WISCONSIN AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 11; THENCE S.87°48'26"E. 742.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N.01°17'49"E. 1324.40 FEET; THENCE S.87°50'29"E. 429.83 FEET; THENCE S.01°14'38"W. 1324.67 FEET; THENCE N.87°48'26"W. 431.07 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND BEING SUBJECT TO EXISTING EASEMENTS.

THAT THIS CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP IS A CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF THE

EXTERIOR BOUNDARY SURVEYED AND DESCRIBED.

THAT I HAVE FULLY COMPLIED WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 236 OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES AND THE SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF UNION AND THE COMMITTEE ON RESOURCE PLANNING AND ZONING OF THE COUNTY OF EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN IN SURVEYING AND MAPPING THE SAME.

	Martin R. ROOD, R.L.S. 1924 DATED THIS 18th DAY OF December, 1992
	CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY RESOURCE PLANNING AND ZONING:
	I, JAMES M. ERICKSON, DIRECTOR OF THE EAU CLAIRE COUNTY DEPARTMENT
	OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CERTIFIED SURVEY
	MAP IS APPROVED OF AS COMPLYING WITH SUBTITLE II, THE SUBDIVISION
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/	JAMES M. ERICKSON CONTROL CODE, OF TITLE 18 OF THE COUNTY CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES. DATED THIS /SH, DAY OF
_	JAMES M. ERICKSON

CERTIFICATE OF CITY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

1, MICHAEL HUGGINS, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, CITY OF
EAU CLAIRE, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP IS APPROVED
OF AS COMPLYING WITH TITLE 17, THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE, OF THE
MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE.

MICHAEL W. HUGGINS, DIRECTOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

DATED THIS DAY OF OCT, 1995



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SURVEY DESCRIPTION

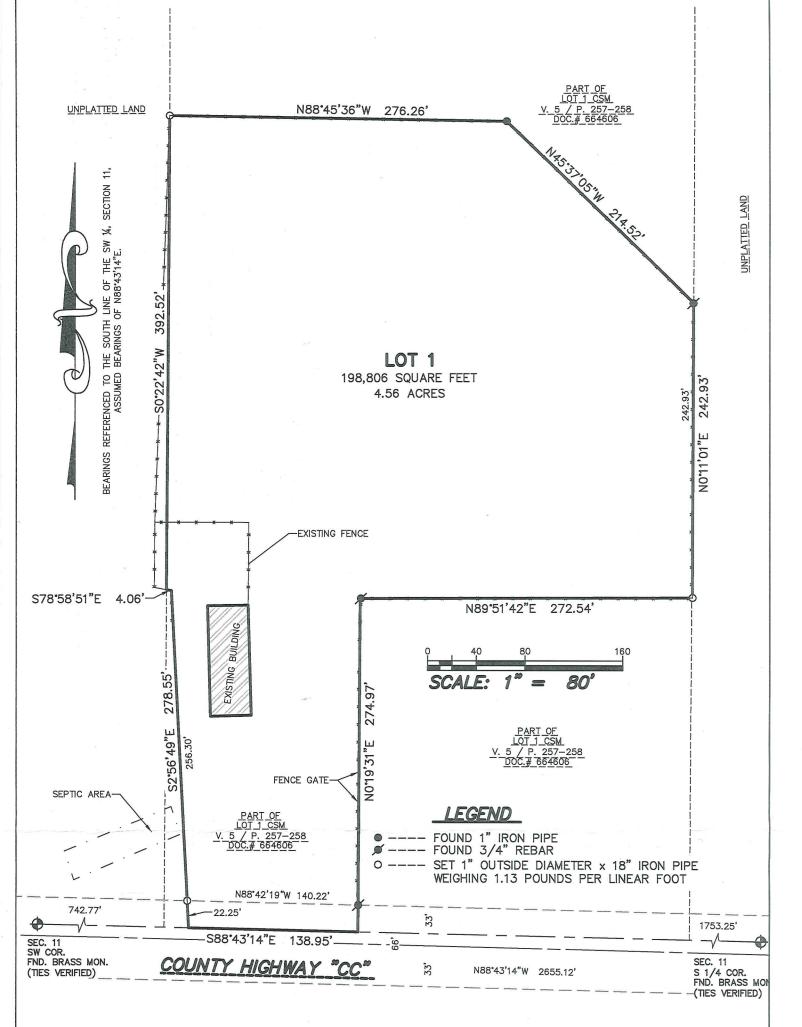
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RE-ZONE SKETCH

IN THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4, SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, TOWN OF UNION, EAU CLAIRE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

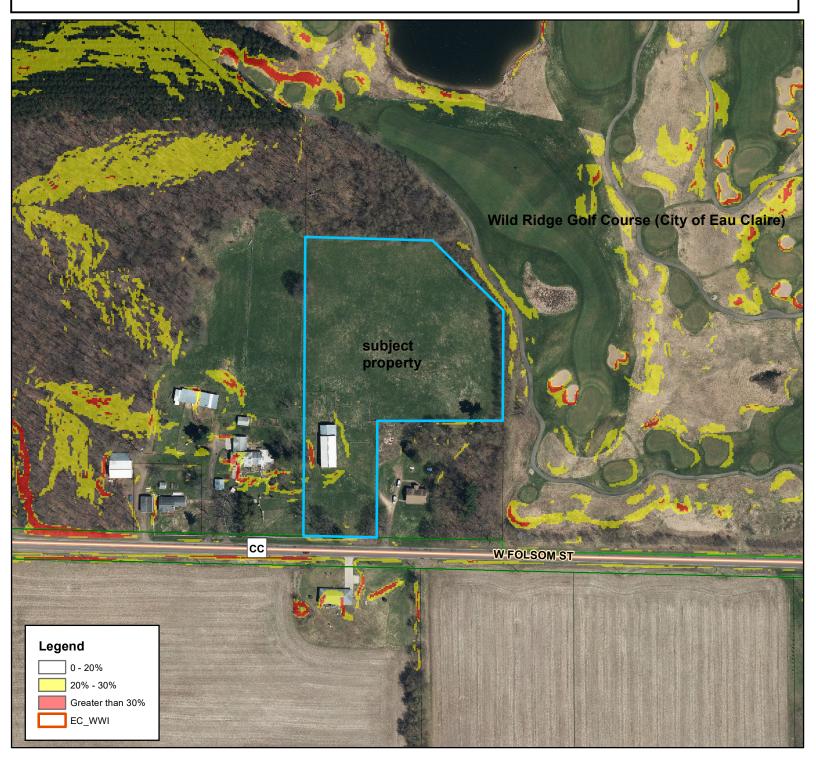
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LEWIS TRUST REZONE AERIAL MAP



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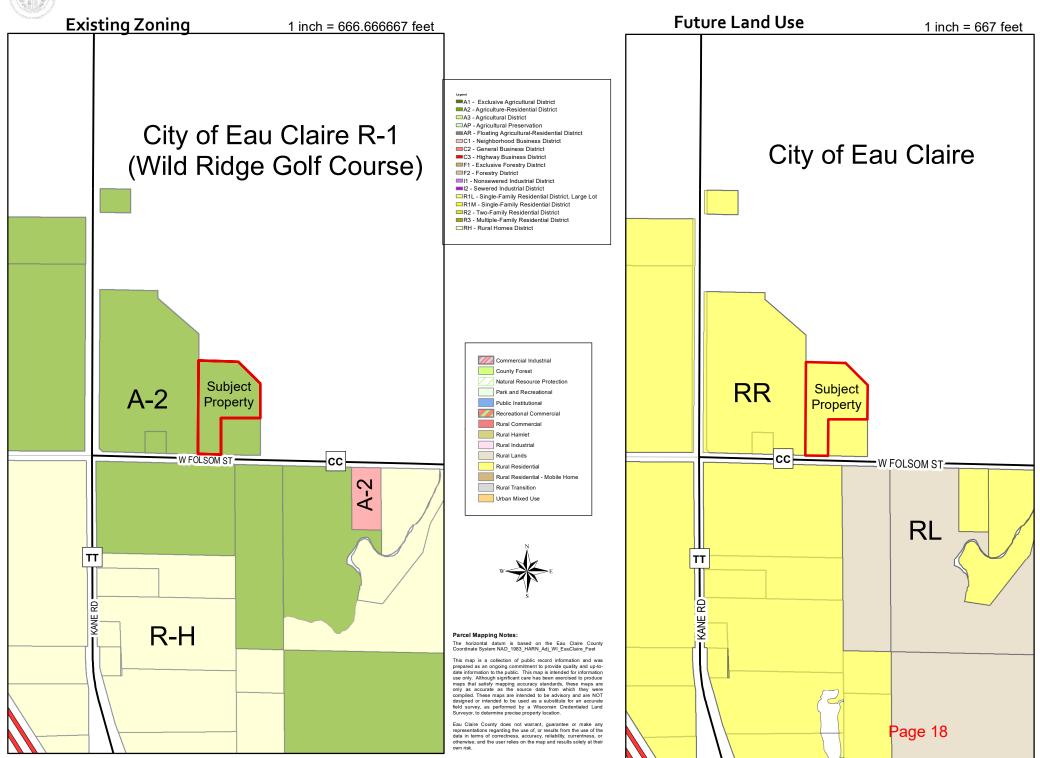
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Lewis Trust Rezoning: RZN-0005-23



RE: Lewis Rezone

Pete Gartmann <pgartmann@rlswi.com>

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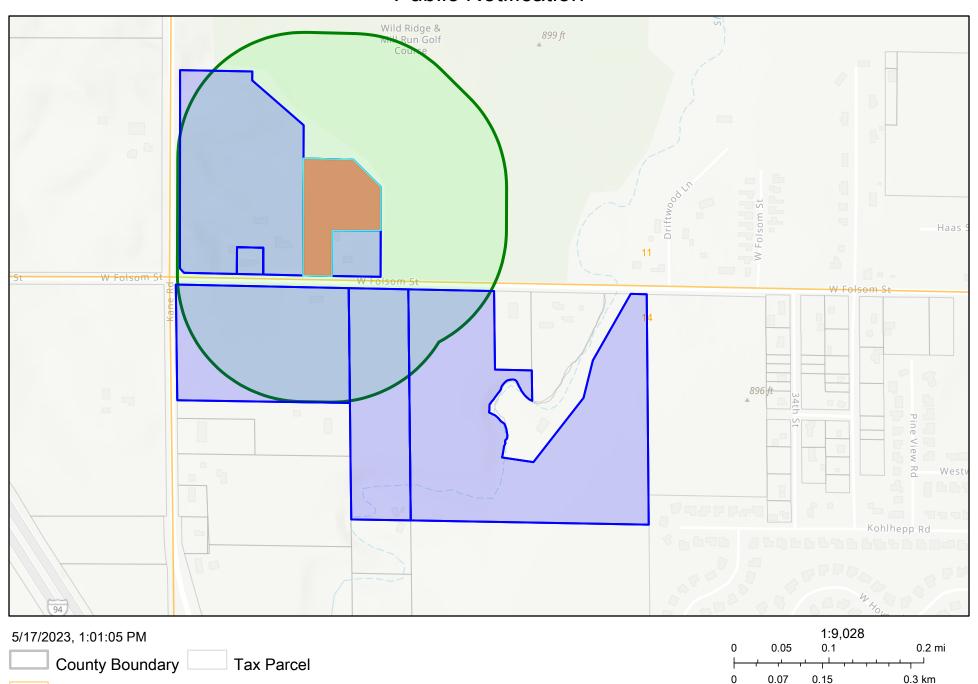
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Hello

Town Of Union Board approved the Lewis Rezone 5 - 0. Thank you

Sent from my iPhone Jennifer Meyer Town of Union Chair

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EAU CLAIRE COUNTY PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDATION

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER: CUP-0005-23

COMPUTER NUMBERS: 020-1257-05-000

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: June 13, 2023

STAFF CONTACT: Ben Bublitz, Land Use Manager

OWNER: Matthew and Alicia McElroy 5430 North Shore Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703

APPLICANT: Owner

REQUEST: Conditional use permit for the noncommercial raising of animals and birds

for up to ten goats.

LOCATION: 5430 North Shore Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 4, Sixth Assessor's Plat, Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County,

Wisconsin.

SUMMARY

The applicant is requesting a conditional use permit for the noncommercial raising of animals and birds for up to ten goats (0.8 animal units) in the RH, Rural Homes District. The application materials include the application, site map showing where the goats will be pastured, and the nutrient management plan reviewed by the Land Conservation Division. The applicant has worked with Tim Wucherer, Land Conservation - Conservation Technician-Agronomist, on a nutrient management plan for the animal waste. The nutrient management plan follows NR 151 Agricultural Performance Standards that apply to the request. The application includes a site plan with details outlining the nutrient management plan, signed by the owner accepting the plan. The applicant has indicated the primary desire to have goats is to control buckthorn which is an invasive shrub species throughout Eau Claire County and the State. The applicant intends to start with five goats and expand with the maximum being ten goats.

BACKGROUND

SITE CHARACTERISTICS:

- Lot size is approximately 7 acres.
- The majority of the property is wooded with some slopes not exceeding 20%.
- Access to the property is off of North Shore Drive.

CURRENT ZONING:

CURRENT ZONING: RH Rural Homes District. The purpose of the RH District is "...to provide for suburban large-lot (residential) development with individual on-site water and sewage disposal facilities."

ADJACENT ZONING & LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USE
North	RH	Residential-Single Family
West	RH	Residential-Single Family
South	R1L	Single-family Residential Large Lot
East	RH	Residential-Single Family

LAND USE PLANS: The County Land Use Plan and Town of Seymour Comprehensive Plan include this property in a Rural Residential area.

Rural Residential (RR)

Intent and Description: The primary intent of this classification is to identify areas suitable for future non-farm residential development. Rural Residential areas include lands that are delineated as existing residential properties or vacant platted areas. In addition, some undeveloped land has been designated for RR development where subdivision expansion is likely to occur. These additional areas tend to be adjacent to existing rural subdivisions or where local roads and utilities exist to efficiently and economically serve the area.

APPLICABLE ZONING REGULATIONS

Section 18.01.010 Purpose. This section describes the purpose of the zoning code. Generally, the purpose of the zoning ordinance is as follows: to separate incompatible land uses from one another; to maintain public health and safety; to protect and conserve natural resources; to prevent overcrowding; to preserve property values; and to maintain the general welfare of the citizens.

Section 18.07.001 18.07.001 Purpose. The RH rural homes district is established to provide for suburban large-lot development with individual on-site water and sewage disposal facilities. The standards set out in this chapter shall apply in the district.

Chapter 18.21 Conditional Uses. Standards for approval of conditional uses: 1) the use must be in conformance with the purpose of the zoning district it is located in; 2) the use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity; 3) adequate utilities, access, drainage and other necessary facilities have been or are provided; 4) adequate off-street parking is provided; 5) adequate measures have been taken to prevent or control offensive odors, fumes, dust, noise and vibration so these will not constitute a nuisance, and lighting is controlled so that it does not result in disturbance to neighboring properties; 6) soil conditions are adequate to support the use; 7) access does not pose traffic congestion or hazards.

Section 18.30.240 Noncommercial raising of animals and birds - This section of the code establishes requirements for keeping animals on lots in the RH District. Requirements are as follows: 1) the lot must be at least two (2) acres in size or larger; 2) one acre of pasture is required per animal unit; 3) a nutrient management plan must be submitted and approved by the Planning Department.

ANALYSIS: It appears that the proposal for up to ten goats (0.8 animal units) on seven acres will be consistent with the standards for keeping livestock in the RH District, and with the standards for conditional use permits. The applicant will have at least one (1) acre of pasture or open space area for the animals. The applicant will construct and maintain the fence on the property. Also, the applicant has a nutrient management plan approved by the Land Conservation Division.

The following is an analysis of this request in accord with the conditional use standards:

- 1. The use is in conformance with the purpose of the zoning district Noncommercial raising of animals and birds are allowed as a conditional use in the RH district.
- 2. The use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other properties in the immediate vicinity Provided the applicant maintains the required one (1) acre of pasture or open space for the animals, it

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- appears that a finding can be made that the use would not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of neighboring properties.
- 3. Adequate utilities, access, drainage and other necessary facilities have been provided Provided the manure is stored in compliance with the Land Conservation approved nutrient management plan, there should minimal concern that the manure could be carried onto neighboring properties.
- 4. Adequate off-street parking is provided off-street parking is not required for the request.
- 5. Adequate measures have been taken to control nuisance factors A nutrient management plan has been approved for the property. Additionally, there is natural vegetative screening throughout the property.
- 6. Soil conditions are adequate to support the use Soils appear to be suitable for the use and there is an approved nutrient management plan.
- 7. Access does not pose traffic congestion or traffic hazards Access to this property is satisfactory and should not pose traffic congestion or traffic hazards.

The use is consistent with the purpose of the zoning district, and it does not appear that it will be injurious to the use and enjoyment of nearby and neighboring properties. There are adequate utilities and the plan to manage manure appears to be satisfactory to control possible nuisance factors.

TOWN BOARD ACTION: The Town of Seymour Town Board will meet on June 12, 2023 and will forward a recommendation in time for the hearing June 13.

STAFF CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: Staff has concluded that the proposal for up to ten goats (0.8 animal units) on the property meets the standards for raising livestock in the RH District, is consistent with the standards for conditional use permits, and is consistent with the purpose of the zoning code. Staff recommends approval of the request with the following conditions:

- 1. The materials submitted with the application shall be attached to and made a part of the permit.
- 2. The applicant may have up to ten goats on the property at one time.
- 3. The nutrient management plan shall be followed as approved by the Land Conservation Division of the Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development.
- 4. Goats shall be confined to the seven-acre property at all times.
- 5. The applicant shall notify the Land Use Manager upon completion of the fenced area so staff can verify compliance with the terms of this approval.
- 6. The Land Use Manager can approve minor alterations from the terms of the permit. A major change requires the approval of the committee at a public hearing.
- 7. The owners shall allow staff from the Department to enter the property at reasonable times to inspect the premises for compliance with the conditions of this permit.
- 8. The permit is subject to Sections 18.21.080 to 18.21.100 of the Zoning Code. These provisions establish when a conditional use permit lapses, the conditions under which it can be revoked, and when a conditional use permit expires due to the abandonment of a use.



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Date Application Accepted: 05/16/2023

Accepted By: Hannah

Receipt Number: 073695

Town Hearing Date: 06/12/2023

Scheduled Hearing Date: 06/13/2023

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION

Property Owner N	Property Owner Name: Alicia McElroy Phone #7155335340						
Mailing Address:	Mailing Address:5430 N Shore Dr Eau Claire WI 54703						
Email Address:ali	Email Address:aliciablee@gmail.com						
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Agent Name: Alic	ne:Alicia McElroy Phone#7155335340						
Mailing Address:	same as above						
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			SITE INFORMATION				
Site Address:543	0 N Shore Dr E	au Claire WI 5470	3				
Property Descript	ion:	4¼ Sec	13 , T 27 N, R	W, Town o	of Seymour		
Zoning District:	RH	-	e Section(s):	-			
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I certify by my signature that all information presented herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission for the staff of the Eau Claire County Department of Planning and Development to enter my property for the purpose of collecting information to be used as part of the public hearing process. I further agree to withdraw this application if substantive false or incorrect information has been included. Owner/Agent Signature Date 5/4/3 NOTICE: PERMIT FEES DOUBLE WHEN WORK BEGINS PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF PERMITS & APPROVALS.							

At the public hearing, the applicant may appear in person or through an agent or an attorney of his/her choice. The applicant/agent/attorney may present testimony, evidence, and arguments in support of the application. All site plans, pictures, etc. become the property of the Department, and will remain in the file.

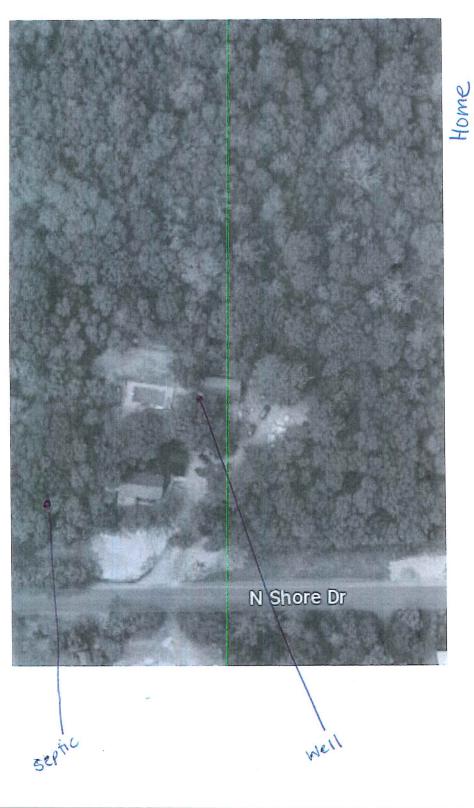
STANDARDS FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS

The Committee on Planning and Development has the authority to grant conditional use permit only when the standards are met. The conditional use permit standards are located in Section 18.21.060 of the Eau Claire County Code. Those standards are as follows:

- A. The proposed use is in conformance with the purpose of the zoning district in which it is located.
- B. The use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for purposes already permitted.
- C. That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other necessary facilities have been or are being provided.
- D. Adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to serve the proposed use.
- E. Adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent or control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise, and vibration so that none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result.
- F. Soil conditions are adequate to accommodate the proposed use.
- G. Proper facilities and access points are provided which would eliminate any traffic congestion or hazard which may result from the proposed use.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT In order to process your application as quickly as possible, please fill in all the sections below that are applicable to your request, and attach all appropriate maps or plans described below that are relevant to your request. ☐ WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED USE: General description of the use (home occupation, accessory structure in excess of 1,200 square feet, filling in a floodplain, non-metallic mining, or any other listed conditional use in zoning districts). I'm planning on purchasing goats & fencing them in on our land to help consume some of the brush and invasive species such as buckthron on my property. We plan to move the fencing around our property as the goats consume the invasive species. ☐ IF THE PROPOSED USE INVOLVED A BUSINESS ACTIVITY, DESCRIBE THE PROPERTY Description of the type of business activity: Equipment used in the business activity: Days and hours of operation: Number of employees: Nuisance abatement measures that will be implemented: Noise abatement measures: Vibration abatement measures: **Dust control measures:** Measures to control fumes or odors: Visual screening measures (plants, fences, walls, etc.)

☐ DESCRIPTION OF ANY OTHER FEATURES OR CHARACTERISTICS THA	AT MAY BE SUBJECT TO ZONING REGULATIONS
Exterior appearance of any structure, including a description of the building maconditional use permit applications for accessory structures in excess of 1,200 s	
	n/a
Any proposed excavation or fill, the amount of material that will be mined in a	non-metallic mining operation, the amount of material that will be stockpiled, etc.
	n/a
Other features or characteristics (signs, fences, outdoor display areas, etc.)	
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☐ SCALED SITE PLAN-EAU CLAIRE COUNTY, WI » WG XTREM	<u>E</u>
Show parcel and building dimensions of all existing and proposed structures	☐ Landscape and screening plans
☐ Show all signs, fences and other features that may be regulated by zoning	☐ Show the well and septic system
☒ Site access, driveway, and nearest road (labeled)	☐ Parking areas with spaces
\square Drainage plans including the erosion control plan	☐ Show all navigable water ways, wetlands, floodplains, slopes in excess of 20%, and any other unique limiting condition of the property
□ The layout of the use within the structure; if the use only occupies part structure occupied by the use and any access to the use through halls,	of the structure, the floor plan should illustrate only the layout of that part of the doorways, etc.
☐ The location of any equipment that will be used	
☐ FOR ALL NON-AGRICULTURAL ACCESSORY STRUCTURES	
☐ Show floor plan, including attics	
☐ Show scaled building elevations	
Show color scheme	
$\hfill\square$ Provide information addressing 59.69 (5e) with substantial evidence sup	porting your request



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Main home: 34ft long × 25ft wide × 28ft deep 3-car Attached garage: 38ft wide × 28ft deep

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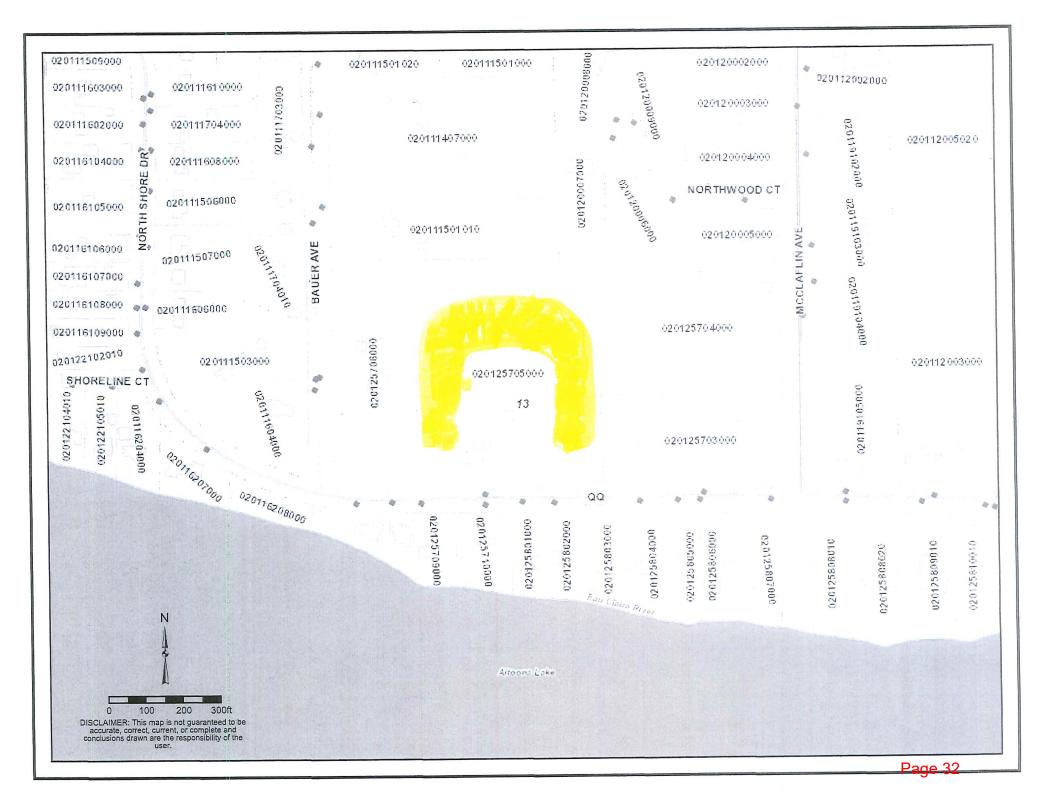
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Use this form to check nutrient management (NM) plans for compliance with the WI NRCS 2015-590 Standard.

Nutrient Management Checklist Wis. Stat. §92.05(3) (k), Wis. Admin. Code §ATCP50.04(3) and Ch. 51

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NAME OF FARM OPERATOR RECEIVING NM PLAN McElroy	FARM NAME (OPTIONAL) McElroy		BUSINESS PH (715) 533		0	
STREET ADDRESS 5430 North Shore Drive		CITY Eau Claire		IP 5 4701		
REASON THE PLAN WAS DEVELOPED:			CROPLAND ACRES (OWNED	& REN	NTED)
RENTED FARM(S) LANDOWNER NAME(S) AND ACREAGE: add sheet	t(s) if needed					
WAS THE PLAN WRITTEN IN SNAPPLUS? YES	If yes,	which software vers	ion, if known? 20.4			
CHECK PLANNER'S QUALIFICATION:	-					
(1. NAICC-CPCC, 2. ASA-CCA, 3. SSSA-Soil Scientist, 4. DATCP approv	ved training course, 5. Other approved by D.	ATCP)	1			
NAME OF QUALIFIED NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANNER			BUSINESS PH	ONE		
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d. Identify all fields' name, boundary, acres, and loca	ation.			Х		
e. Use the field's previous year's legume credit and/c determine the crop's nutrient application rates co	or applications, predominant soil se ensistent with A2809 for ALL forms	ries, and realisti of N, P, and K.	c yield goals to	X		
f. Make no winter applications of N and P fertilizer, e	except on grass pastures and winte	r grains.		Х		
g. Document method used to determine application application.	rates. Nutrients shall not runoff du	ring or immedia	tely after	Х		
h. Identify in the plan that adequate acreage is availa	able for manure produced and/or a	pplied.				X
i. Apply a single phosphorus (P) assessment using eith a tract when fields receive manure or organic by-p	her the P Index or soil test P managoroducts during the crop rotation.	gement strategy	to all fields withir			Х
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k. Use contours; reduce tillage; adjust the crop rotati maintain perennial vegetative cover to prevent rec	occurring gullies in areas of concen	trated flow.	neral erosion; and	×		
I. Make no nutrient applications within 8' of irrigation				X		
m. Make no nutrient applications within 50' of all dir		ss directly depos	sited by	X		

	Yes	No	NA
n. Make no untreated manure applications to areas within 1000' of a community potable water well or within 100' of a non-community potable water well (ex. church, school, restaurant) unless manure is treated to substantially eliminate pathogens.			Х
o. Make no manure applications to areas locally delineated by the Land Conservation Committee or in a conservation plan as areas contributing runoff to direct conduits to groundwater unless manure is substantially buried within 24 hours of application.			Х
 p. Make no applications of late summer or fall commercial N fertilizer to the following areas UNLESS needed for establishment of fall seeded crops OR to meet A2809 with a blended commercial fertilizer. Commercial fertilizer N applications shall not exceed 36 lbs. N/acre on: Sites vulnerable to N leaching PRW Soils (P=high permeability, R= bedrock < 20 inches, or W= wet < 12 inches to apparent water table); 			
 Soils with depths of 5 feet or less to bedrock; Area within 1,000 feet of a community potable water well. On P soils, when commercial N is applied for full season crops in spring and summer, follow A2809 and apply one of the following: 	Х		
 A split or delayed N application to apply a majority of crop N requirement after crop establishment. Use a nitrification inhibitor with ammonium forms of N. Use slow and controlled release fertilizers for a majority of the crop N requirement applied near the time of planting. 			
 q. Limit manure applications in late summer or fall using the lesser of A2809 or the following 590 rates on PRW Soils. <u>Use ≤ 120 lbs. available N/acre on:</u> P and R soils on <u>all crops, except annual crops</u>. Additionally, manure with ≤ 4% dry matter (DM) wait until after soil temp. < 50°F or Oct. 1, and use either a nitrification inhibitor OR surface apply and do not incorporate for at least 3 days. W soils or combo. W soils on <u>all crops.</u> Additionally, manure with ≤ 4% DM on <u>all crops.</u> use at least one of the following: Use a nitrification inhibitor; Apply on an established cover crop, an overwintering annual, or perennial crop; Establish a cover crop within 14 days of application; 		,	Х
 5. Wait until after soil temp. < 50°F or Oct. 1. Use ≤ 90 lbs. available N/acre on: P and R soils on annual crops wait until after soil temp. < 50°F or Oct. 1. Additionally, manure with ≤ 4% DM use either a nitrification inhibitor OR surface apply and do not incorporate for at least 3 days. W soils or combination W soils receiving manure with ≤ 4% DM on all crops. 			
 r. Use at least one of the following practices on non-frozen soils for all nutrient applications within Surface Water Quality Management Area (SWQMA) = 1000' of lakes/ponds or 300' of rivers: 1. Maintain > 30% cover after nutrient application; 2. Effective incorporation within 72 hours of application; 3. Establish crops prior to, at, or promptly following application; 4. Install/maintain vegetative buffers or filter strips; 5. Have at least 3 consecutive years no-till for applications to fields with < 30% residue (silage) and apply nutrients within 7 days of planting. 	х		
s. Limit mechanical applications to 12,000 gals/acre of unincorporated liquid manure or organic by-products with 11% or less dry matter where subsurface drainage is present OR within SWQMA. Wait a minimum of 7 days between sequential applications AND use one or more of the practice options on non-frozen soils listed in 1.r.1. through 1.r.5.		,	Х
2. When frozen or snow-covered soils prevent effective incorporation, does the plan follow these requirements for winte of all mechanically applied manure or organic by-products? This section doesn't apply to winter gleaning/pasturing meeting 590 N an	r appli d P requ	catio uireme	ns nts.
If no manure is applied, check NA for 2.a. through 2.g a. Identify manure quantities planned to be spread during the winter, or the amount of manure generated in 14 days,	Yes	No	NA
whichever is greater. For daily haul systems, assume 1/3 of the manure produced annually will need to be winter applied.			X
 b. Identify manure storage capacity for each type applied and stacking capacity for manure ≥ 16% DM if permanent storage does not exist. 			χ
c. Show on map and make no applications within the SWQMA .			Χ
d. Show on map and make no surface applications of liquid manure during February and March where Silurian dolomite is within 60 inches of the soils surface OR where DNR Well Compensation funds provided replacement water supplies for wells contaminated with livestock manure.			Х
e. Show on map and make no applications of manure within 300 feet of direct conduits to groundwater.			Χ
f. Do not exceed the P removal of the following growing season's crop when applying manure. Liquid manure applications are limited to 7,000 g/acre. All winter manure applications are not to exceed 60 lbs. of P2O5/acre.			X
g. Make no applications of manure to fields with concentrated flow channels unless using two of the following: 1. Contour buffer strips or contour strip cropping; 2. Leave all crop residue and no fall tillage; 3. Apply manure in intermittent strips on no more than 50% of field; 4. Apply manure on no more than 25% of the field waiting a minimum of 14 days between applications; 5. Reduce manure app. rate to 3,500 gal. or 30 lbs. P2O5, whichever is less; 6. No manure application within 200 feet of all concentrated flow channels; 7. Fall tillage is on the contour and slopes are lower than 6%.			х
Make no applications to slopes greater than 6% (soil map units with C, D, E, and F slopes) unless the plan documents that no other accessible fields are available for winter spreading AND two of the options 2.g.1. through 2.g.5. are used.			
I certify that the plan represented by the answers on this checklist complies with Wisconsin's NRCS 2015-590 NM Standard or is other	rwise i	noted	
Qualified NM planner signature NAICC-Certified Professional Crop Consultant, ASA-Certified Crop Adviser, or SSSA-Soil Scientist		Date	
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Qualified NM farmer-planner or Authorized farm operator signature Date Signature if reviewed for quality assurance receiving and understanding the plan		Date	

 From:
 Ben Bublitz

 To:
 Holly Weigand

 Subject:
 Fw: McElroy Goats

Date: Friday, June 23, 2023 6:08:47 AM

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Can you add this email to everything for the goats?

Ben Bublitz | Land Use Manager

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Planning and Development

From: Alicia McElroy <aliciablee@gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2023 2:07 PM

To: Ben Bublitz <Ben.Bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov>

Subject: Re: McElroy Goats

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I'm planning on getting castrated "whethering" goats. They're less smelling & less aggressive than uncastrated. I'd like to get boer goats or Kiko goats, but I'm not looking really for pure breeds because they're more expensive. I'm on board for buying a taller fence if needed. The woven wire fence is an example of what id like to get as I've read that goats are less likely to get thru those fences.

On Thu, Jun 22, 2023 at 10:14 AM Ben Bublitz < Ben. Bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov > wrote: Hi Alicia,

Thank you for forwarding. What breed of goat do you plan on having? As I look into this, different breeds require different fence heights.

Thank you,

Ben Bublitz | Land Use Manager

721 Oxford Ave., Suite 3344 • Eau Claire, WI 54703

Office: 715-839-4743 Cell: 715-829-2877 Fax: 715-831-5802

Email: <u>ben.bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov</u>



From: Alicia McElroy <a liciablee@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2023 8:21 AM

To: Ben Bublitz < Ben. Bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov >

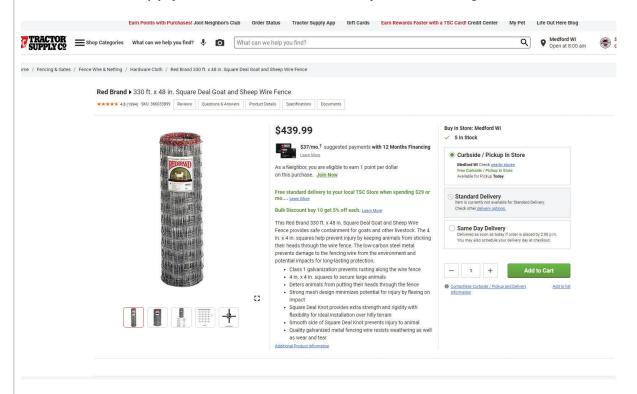
Subject: Re: McElroy Goats

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I misspoke in my previous email. I plan on getting "woven wire" goat fencing for the perimeter fence. I've included a picture of it. It's the **Red Brand** 330 ft. x 48 in.

Square Deal Goat and Sheep Wire Fence

from Tractor Supply. The reviews are mostly 5 stars for goats.



We will also purchase this electric fence for within the perimeter fence. It has good ratings for goats. But obviously the perimeter fence would be outside this electric fence, so it would be back up in case they get out of the electric fence.



Results



Please let me know if you have any other questions. Thanks, Alicia McElroy

On Tue, Jun 20, 2023 at 8:28 AM Ben Bublitz < Ben. Bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov > wrote:

Hi Alicia,

Can you forward me a link or photo of the proposed fence/fence system?

Thank you,

Ben Bublitz | Land Use Manager

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From: Alicia McElroy <aliciablee@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2023 5:45 PM

To: Ben Bublitz < Ben. Bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov>

Subject: McElroy Goats

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Hello,

Thanks for attending the County Board Meeting on Tuesday. Things went well at the Seymour Town Board meeting so I wasn't prepared to have so much opposition for the County meeting. I should have showed up more prepared. I had spoken to many neighbors about my plans and most were supportive. They even signed a petition in support, which I should have offered to the County Board. That being said, I've done more research on keeping the goats contained and I wanted to let you know what I am planning.

I plan on creating a perimeter fence with welded wire fencing (which some people use exclusively to contain their goats). Inside the perimeter fence we will have a portable electric fence in order to do the rotational grazing. The goats will need to be "fence trained." This entails containing them within the electric fence and observing them for hours at a time with the electric fence at a "hot" or higher voltage so that when they touch the fence, they experience a shock and then learn that the fence is to be avoided. Then after the goats are "fence trained" for a couple days, we would increase the size of the electric fence within the welded wire perimeter fence. That way they learn to avoid the fencing.

If there is a goat that refuses to obey the fences during fence training then we would get rid of that particular goat. I hope this makes sense. Let me know if you'd like more clarification. I appreciate your time! Alicia McElroy

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From: Ben Bublitz

To: Heidi Pederson; Holly Weigand
Cc: Rod Eslinger; Hannah Wirth
Subject: FW: Ref: CUP-0005-23. Goats
Date: Friday, June 2, 2023 8:30:02 AM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Please include this email with the information for the June 13 meeting.

Thank you

Ben Bublitz | Land Use Manager

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Email: ben.bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov



From: greg bowe <gbowe2014@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, June 2, 2023 8:23 AM

To: Ben Bublitz <Ben.Bublitz@eauclairecounty.gov>

Subject: Ref: CUP-0005-23. Goats

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Concerned resident

Greg Bowe

5447 north shore dr Eau Claire. Wi 54703

My concerns with having goats accross the street from my property is goats are noisy and goats are smelly. Goats are the "Houdinis" of the fence world. If a goat can get its head through the fence, the body is going to follow. Goats do not naturally have a "reverse gear."

I live in a residential area on lake Altoona. My main concerned is about the decreased value of my property if this area is turned into an agricultural zone or for having goats accross the street. If I was to sell this property would the buyer take this into consideration, I most definitely would. Question to the board members is

Eau Claire county willing to give us a tax break due to decreased value of our property?

I vote no goats on the above ref: Thank you. Greg Bowe

Sent from my iPhone

J. T. DOWNEN 5419 NORTH SHORE DRIVE EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN 54703-2271

June 1, 2023

Mr. Rodney Eslinger, Director
Eau Claire County Department of Planning & Development
Eau claire County Courthouse – Room 3344
721 Oxford Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54703-4741

Dear Mr. Eslinger:

I am in receipt of a notice from your office concerning a public hearing on June 13, 2023 at 7:00 PM regarding a conditional use permit request submitted by Ms. Alicia McElroy for raising up to ten goats at her family's property at 5430 North Shore Drive. As a result of your office's kindness in providing her phone number, I have made contact with Ms. McElroy and we discussed the family's plans for the goats.

It is clear that these good neighbors have considered all of the issues that would be a concern to me (fencing, manure, noise, insects, goat reproduction issues, erosion protection, and ecological efforts aimed at maintaining water table and Lake Altoona purity). I am pleased to register my support for the McElroy Family's being granted the conditional use permit they seek.

Inasmuch as I may be out of town on the date of the hearing, I am sending this letter expressing my support for the granting of this permit, along with my appreciation for your office having notified me of the application, which allowed me to discuss my issues of concern with Ms. McElroy.

સુન તેવામાં એક નુકાર પાણકો ભાગનું કાર ફિલ્મો કે હેલામાં મુખ્યાની કાર્યકાર કરો છે. કે કોઇના હેઇના નુકા કોઇના પા એક કોઇના કાર્યકાર માટે જેવા કો કાર્યકાર કે કાર કાર્યકાલ કાર્યકાર માટે માટે કાર કાર્યકાર છે. કે માટે કાર્યકાલ ક તુકાર કાર્યકાર કાર્યકાર કાર્યકાર કે કે ફેર્યક કોડો કોંગ માટે કાર્યકાર કે જે વાગ કે કાર્યકાર કોર્યક કાર્યકાર કોડો કરા મોડો છે.

rijeka direktora pekari dagit kaliparkan jar bada daliparkan dagi repertekan panjanjar lakifili da karifi

Sincerely,

Teny

J. Terry Downen

Cc: Ms. Alicia McElroy

Ms. Jessica Janssen - Chair, Town of Seymour

people in the property of a second controller of a line below.

Department of Planning And Development
Eau Claire County Court House
721 Oxford Ave
Eau Claire Wi 54703

Re: Cup-0005-23

To Whom it may concern:

I appose the above proposed conditional use permit request. I own waterfront property directly across North Shore Drive from the Subject property. I fear noise, odor and fly issues. The owner of the subject already has barn yard birds that are consistently noisy most of the day.

~//////

Thank you

Bruce Weegman

5441 North Shore Drive

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715 577 7767

Public Notification



FirstName LastName	Address	City State Zip
DONALD T & KIM L LAUFENBERG	748 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2005
JEREMY SHONG	5392 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2073
KELLEN BLACK	5276 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2032
AKS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC	740 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2005
WILLIAM BLAKELEY	5380 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2073
KEVIN IRWIN	3721 FOREST KNOLL DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54701-5614
GARY W & ROZANNA M BEJIN	800 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2007
RONALD C & JOYCE E HENNIG	804 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2007
JEFFREY JOHNSON	5278 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2032
KEVIN J & SANDRA K IRWIN	3721 FOREST KNOLL DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54701-5614
ROLF VAN HOUTEN	5399 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2034
BARBARA DUCETTE	730 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2005
ROBERT M BEARROOD	5415 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
J TERRY DOWNEN	5419 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
JEFFREY S & MARCIA A HICKEY	5425 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
BRUCE WEEGMAN	5441 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
JAMES S & BRENDA J BROUCEK REV TRUST	5449 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
JAMES G & PATRICIA L COOLEY	5457 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
ROBERT HUTCHINSON	705 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2021
PATRICK D & DEBORAH KARKER	701 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2021
JOHN URICE	5401 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
MICHAEL SEICHTER	18788 IBSEN RD	SPARTA WI 54656-3758
KIM PLOMBON WALTER ET AL	5437 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
GREGORY J BOWE	5447 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
JAROCKI TRUST	5453 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2271
MATTHEW MEIER	522 SUPERIOR ST	CHIPPEWA FALLS WI 54729-2237
DANIEL GOSS	651 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2019
RICHARD DEKAN	5566 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2035
DAN MILLER	7088 178TH ST	CHIPPEWA FALLS WI 54729-6438
LINDA G CATLETT	3717 IVANORA DR	SPRING HILL TN 37174-6109
PETER TIO	904 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2024
DANIEL P & CARMELITA A HOGAN	853 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2008
ROGER J & CAROLE A AUSTIN	5554 NORTHWOOD CT	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2053

JEFFREY S & DEBORAH M HEIMSTEAD	890 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2022
MARILYN E FETTER	5560 NORTHWOOD CT	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2053
DAVID R & DEBORAH J SATHER	5557 NORTHWOOD CT	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2054
DAVID J & JANET A VAJGRT TRUST	5553 NORTHWOOD CT	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2054
ROBERT J & JANICE M BEDNAR	805 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2008
GERALD & JEAN BROD TRUST	811 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2008
MICHAEL P & MARY K MILLER	720 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2020
JOSEPH M & BONNI S KNIGHT	5555 NORTHWOOD CT	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2054
KENT FLIFLET	662 MARILYN CT	CHIPPEWA FALLS WI 54729-3403
JOSHUA SKOYEN	5454 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2074
JOHN WILE II	652 MCCLAFLIN AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2018
CODY FIEDLER	729 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2006
JAMES FALTER	799 BAUER AVE	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2006
KRISTINE MATTISON	5388 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2078
JAMIE MEYER	5382 NORTH SHORE DR	EAU CLAIRE WI 54703-2073

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WELCOME

Eau Claire County is a diverse landscape in West-central Wisconsin with river systems at its center. "Eau Claire" is the singular form of the original French name, "Eaux Claires", meaning "Clear Waters". With partially glaciated and partially Driftless Area terrain, the County holds a balance of urban and rural uses that lends itself well to a variety of cropping systems and development opportunities.

The Eau Claire County Land Conservation Division (LCD) of the Department of Planning and Development (P&D) has a strong enforcement role throughout the County but is also looked to for technical assistance and expert guidance in matters related to natural resource conservation and preservation. The main program and service areas within LCD can be compiled into three categories:

- Land Preservation
- Land Conservation Planning
- Water Quality Protection

Land Conservation Division Staff Members

Chad Berge Land Conservation Manager
Holly Weigand Administrative Specialist
Heidi Pederson Administrative Specialist
Zachary Mohr Conservation Technician
Environmental Engineer
Tim Wucherer Conservation Technician-Agronomist

(Not pictured below is Greg Leonard, former Land Conservation Manager)

Land Conservation Commission Members

Robin Leary Chair Tami Schraufnagel Vice Chair Heather DeLuka **County Board Member** Missy Christopherson **County Board Member** Jodi Lepsch **County Board Member Glory Adams** Citizen Representative Ricky Strauch Farmer Representative Dean Solie **FSA Representative**



From left to right: Heidi Pederson, Tim Wucherer, Holly Weigand, Chad Berge, Zachary Mohr, Christina Rauh





LAND PRESERVATION

The Land Preservation Program is designed to protect Eau Claire County's land and water resources, specifically for the purpose of reducing soil losses or preserving unique and valuable land resources. Habitat improvements for fish and wildlife as well as public recreational opportunities are also taken into consideration.

Farmland Preservation Program (FPP)

Landowners who participate in the Farmland Preservation Program (FPP) are eligible to claim an income tax credit if they meet soil and water conservation standards. FPP participants with land zoned AP-Agricultural Preservation receive an income tax credit of \$7.50 per acre. Landowners within the Golden Triangle Ag Enterprise Area who sign a 15-year Farmland Preservation Agreement are eligible to receive additional income tax credits.

LCD staff meet with FPP participants once every four years to conduct a status review and determine compliance with the State Agricultural Performance Standards & Prohibitions within Wisconsin Administrative Code NR 151. Most landowners are in full compliance with the performance standards, and the remaining are cooperatively working with staff to meet these standards. There are now a total of 238 participants and 44,760 acres enrolled in FPP in Eau Claire County. Since the Farmland Preservation Tax Credit inception in 1977, the program has returned nearly \$10 million in income tax credits to landowners in Eau Claire County.

Golden Triangle Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA)

In 2016, Eau Claire County farmers designated the Golden Triangle Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA). Since then, staff have worked with landowners to sign voluntary 15-year Farmland Preservation Agreements in these areas. There are currently 7,618 acres in a Farmland Preservation Agreement, which represents over 30% of the total land located in the Golden Triangle AEA.



A G R I C U L T U R A L E N T E R P R I S E A R E A (A E A)



Land Stewardship Program

The Eau Claire County Land Stewardship Program is a framework for the protection and preservation of land tracts within Eau Claire County that meet the following priorities: significant ecological value; recreation and public access; strong community support; good value for county residents; sustains resource base; and quality of life.

In 2017 the Land Stewardship Subcommittee completed its *Stewardship Vision 2150* visioning document. The purpose of this document is to provide a longer-range view of County landscape and population trends to influence current policies aimed at preserving important landscape features. It addresses the "what to protect" and "methods to protect it" questions. To strengthen its partnerships, in 2020 the Subcommittee completed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Landmark Conservancy to further the efforts of both organizations.



Land Stewardship Subcommittee Members:

Rick Koziel Chair, Citizen Member

Dave Carlson Vice Chair, Citizen Member

Joe Knight County Board Member/Parks & Forest Committee

Dave Dressel Citizen Member
Tony Brooks Citizen Member

Heather DeLuka County Board Member/Land Conservation

Commission

Larry Jolivette Citizen Member

Tree and Shrub Program

Since the LCD tree sale program began in 1982, a total of 1,107,145 trees have been sold. In 2019, native forbs were added to the sale and continue to be popular with landowners, with 2,712 native forbs sold since then. The program is low-cost to the county; all costs associated with the program are covered by revenue generated by sales. Thank you to all landowners who participate in this program. Planting trees helps to conserve our soil and water resources in Eau Claire County.

Venison Donation Program

LCD coordinates a venison donation program during Wisconsin's gun deer season in November. In 2022, Mike's Star Market of Eau Claire processed 46 deer which resulted in 1,750 pounds of venison that was donated to local food pantries. Due to state Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing guidelines, 26 of the donated deer were also tested for CWD, with none of the deer testing positive for CWD.

Wildlife Damage Abatement Claims Program (WDACP)

The Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP) is a state program that provides damage prevention assistance and partial compensation to farmers when wild deer, elk, bear, geese, and turkeys damage their agricultural crops. Shooting permits may be issued to farmers for removal of nuisance wildlife to protect their crops. In 2022, LCD staff administered this program in Eau Claire County by responding to 6 requests for crop damage resulting from wildlife.



LAND CONSERVATION PLANNING

The Planning category is comprised of Land Conservation Division administration ensuring implementation of its comprehensive Land and Water Resource Management Plan. It includes other priority areas that address other soil and water conservation needs as identified by the Land Conservation Commission. This category also provides a framework for assessing and building on current mandated programs based on need.

Land and Water Resource Management (LWRM) Plan

Eau Claire County's Land and Water Resource Management (LWRM) 10-year plan was up for renewal this year. The LCD staff worked to update the plan with current Land Conservation Division activities, as directed by the Land Conservation Commission, while also ensuring consistency with the Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan and the Eau Claire County Board Strategic Plan. The plan sets the framework for the LCD's goals through 2032. The updated plan was reviewed and approved by the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Board in December of 2022. Future reporting will be tied to the annual work plan. The full plan can be accessed through the LCD website at: Eau Claire County Land & Water Resource Management Plan

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)

The Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) is a joint effort between federal, state, and county governments to balance working agriculture and the protection of Wisconsin's soil and water resources. Participating landowners are paid to voluntarily install filter strips along waterways or to return portions of continually flooded fields to wetlands during a contracted period.

LCD has assisted with the implementation of CREP in Eau Claire County since February 19, 2002. In 2022, there was one CREP reenrollment within the County.

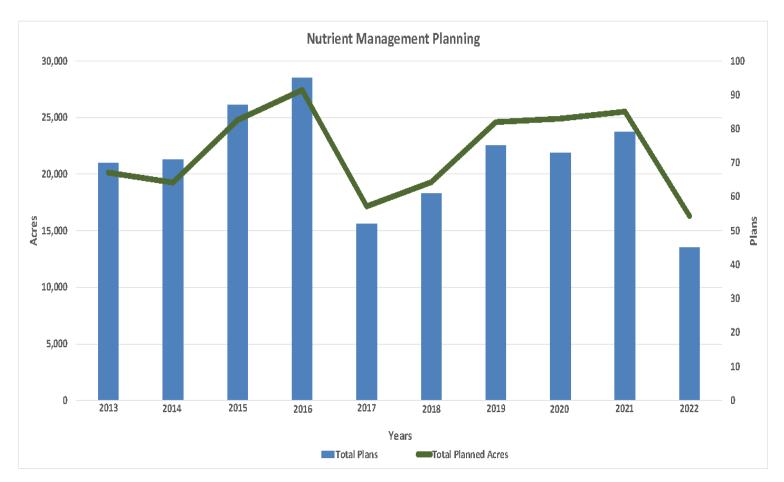


Nutrient Management Planning and Annual Update Workshops

With the help of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension, LCD staff annually host eight workshops to teach farmers how to develop and update their own Nutrient Management Plans. These plans help producers to manage livestock manure, commercial fertilizer, and other nutrient sources to balance nutrient applications. This is critical to prevent soil and nutrients from running off into nearby streams and to prevent nutrient and bacteria leaching from manure into the groundwater.

These training workshops provide LCD staff an opportunity to discuss other conservation related topics with farmers, such as the State's Agricultural Performance Standards, or the need to properly close unused wells and manure storage structures. Farmers have the option to develop their Nutrient Management Plan with or without use of the SnapPlus computer program, and farmers without livestock are also invited to develop and update their Nutrient Management Plan. Thirty-seven farmers participated in the nutrient management workshops.



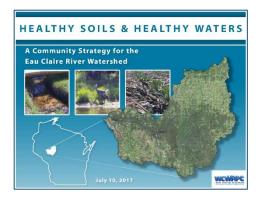


*Dip in numbers for year 2017 and year 2022 due to staffing turnaround/shortage



WATER QUALITY PROTECTION

The Water Quality Protection category is designed to protect the County's water resources by reducing the inputs of nutrients and sediments resulting from storm water runoff from construction sites and agricultural activities. Much of this category is mandated through the state agriculture and urban non-point pollution statutes and has been strongly supported by County residents in annual surveys completed as part of the Eau Claire County Budget process.



<u>Eau Claire River Watershed – 9 Key Element Plan</u>

In 2017, the 9-Key Element plan for the Eau Claire River watershed, *Healthy Soils & Healthy Waters: A Community Strategy for the Eau Claire River Watershed*, was approved by both the Environmental Protection Agency and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The 9-Key Element plan guides conservation efforts and provides new opportunities for grant funding sources to pursue in the watershed. Many partners were involved in this effort and continue to meet monthly to collaborate on implementation activities and explore additional opportunities in the watershed.

Large Scale Targeted Runoff Management (TRM) Grant

With the approval of the 9-Key Element plan, Eau Claire County is eligible for grant dollars through the Department of Natural Resource's Targeted Runoff Management program (TRM). Eau Claire and Clark County Land Conservation staff partnered together to secure a multi-year Large Scale TRM grant in 2018. The grant provided dollars in Eau Claire County to install conservation practices in the Fall Creek Watershed that reduces soil erosion and nutrient loss to the Fall Creek Pond.

The funding for the TRM grant and Demonstration Farm expired on December 31, 2022, and the decision was made to not continue with either project. Below is a summary of the outcomes from the grant:

- 3-year Demonstration Farm 41.8 acres
- Manure Storage Closure 1 closure
- Waterway System 3.5 acres
- Cover Crops 162 acres
- \$83,741 in additional County Funding throughout grant cycle









Water Quality Trading

Eau Claire County signed a Water Quality Trading (WQT) agreement with the City of Augusta in 2019. The City's wastewater treatment plant cannot currently meet its permitted effluent limits for phosphorus, which is discharged into Bridge Creek. WQT allows the City to take credit for phosphorus reductions resulting from conservation practices installed elsewhere in the watershed.

LCD staff identified the Erdman and Hi Crush Augusta properties located on Diamond Valley Creek and determined that both properties were eligible for WQT. Soil tests showed that the proposed project would produce 211 pounds of phosphorus credits per year for the City of Augusta, creating enough credits to maintain compliance with their Wisconsin Pollution Discharge Elimination System (WPEDS) permit. In 2021 staff worked with the property owners to sign WQT Agreements, applied for permits, and finished engineering the Best Management Practices.

Due to the presence of endangered Wood Turtles within the project vicinity, a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Incidental Take Permit (IT) was issued. The IT permit restricted the timing of the project and the practices that could be installed in 2021. In the fall of 2021, the upland BMPs were installed, along with 466 feet of streambank stabilization and 12 in-stream boulders. The remaining streambank stabilization and in-stream fish habitat were installed in May of 2022.

In 2022 the remaining practices were installed, wrapping up the project. The project resulted in reducing phosphorus pollution by 477 pounds per year, generating a phosphorus credit of 211 pounds per year. The LCD will conduct a yearly site inspection through June 2043 to verify the landowners are meeting the conditions of the agreement and that the installed BMPs are functioning as designed. The following is a summary of the installed BMPs:

- 1,311' streambank protection
- In-stream habitat
- Random Boulder Placement
- Rock Deflectors
- Bank Placed Boulders
- 2,710' Fence
- 1,161' Grassed Waterway
- 1,865' Subsurface Drain
- 160 square feet Heavy Use Area Protection Concrete

- 2 Stream Crossings
- Cattle Watering Ramp
- 1,120' Trails & Walkways
- 1 Watering Facility
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- 1 Watering Facility
- 60' Livestock Pipeline
- Seeding & Mulching



Lake Rehabilitation

LCD staff work with the local lake associations and lake districts to focus on lake rehabilitation projects. The Lake Eau Claire Association, in partnership with the Lake Eau Claire District and the Fall Creek Pond District are managing sediment through the mechanical dredging of sediment traps. Additionally, the Lake Altoona District is doing work to identify better sediment management strategies for the lake. Thank you to the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors for their support of local lakes and for funding efforts through the County Lake Rehabilitation Program.



No-Till Drill Rental Program

LCD gratefully accepted donations and grant funds which allowed for the purchase of the County's No-Till Drill in 2020. This piece of planting equipment is available for farmers to rent in the County. No-till planting provides countless benefits to our landscape by improving the health of the soil. This results in reduced levels of soil loss, reductions in nutrient runoff, and increased profitability to the farmer.

A total of 28 renters used the drill to plant over 605 acres of cover crops in Eau Claire County. Fees collected by farmers to rent the drill will be used to cover anticipated equipment maintenance and program expenses in the future.

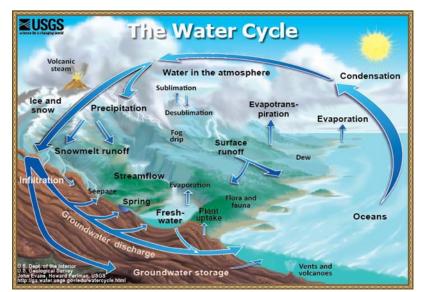


In its first 3 years of existence, the No-Till Drill Rental program has helped Eau Claire County farmers prevent nearly 3.3 million pounds of sediment from being deposited into our streams, rivers, and lakes. The associated phosphorous reductions have prevented over 840,000 pounds of algae growth!

Groundwater Advisory Committee

LCD and Eau Claire City-County Health Department staff work closely with the Groundwater Advisory Committee to:

- 1. Monitor state and federal regulation of groundwater,
- 2. Oversee the development and implementation of a county-wide groundwater management plan, and
- Perform other tasks as directed by the Planning & Development Committee.



The State of the Groundwater in Eau Claire County Report was completed in 2018 and contains priority recommendations related to groundwater quantity, groundwater quality, and education goals. The Groundwater Advisory Committee is working towards meeting the goals outlined in the report.

Additionally, Eau Claire County continues to offer cost-share funds to help landowners properly abandon unused wells. In 2022, this program provided \$2,489.43 to close five wells in Eau Claire County. Closing unused wells seals the connection between the land surface and the aquifer which water is pulled from, eliminating the possibility of contaminating the groundwater.



Groundwater Advisory Committee Members:

Nancy Coffey Chair/County Board member Vice Chair/County Board member Jim Dunning Jodi Lepsch County Board member Mary Kenosian Citizen member Glory Adams Citizen member Anna Mares DNR representative/citizen member Mark Kaeding Board of Health member Dr. Sarah Vitale Citizen member

Town's Association member

Sham Anderson

Tri-County Groundwater Level Monitoring Pilot Study

Chippewa, Dunn, and Eau Claire Counties partnered in 2015 to form the Tri-County Groundwater Level Monitoring Pilot Study. The goal of the study is to install a network of groundwater elevation detection devices in the three-county area to gather new data on groundwater levels and fluctuations. Six Wellntel monitoring devices were deployed in Eau Claire County in 2016 and have been collecting groundwater data since. LCD staff continue to maintain the Wellntel devices deployed in the County.



Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

The Eau Claire County population is greater than 10,000 individuals which requires the County to comply with NR 216 and implementing a DNR Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit. The MS4 permit requires municipalities to reduce polluted stormwater runoff by implementing stormwater management programs with best management practices. The programs are accomplished by LCD and Highway Department staff in various ways.

 Rain to Rivers of Western Wisconsin is a stormwater education non-profit that Eau Claire County partners with to provide public involvement, education, and outreach activities.



- LCD staff work with Highway Department staff to prevent illicit discharges to storm sewer systems
 and to implement pollution prevention practices at municipally owned transportation, maintenance
 areas and yards. In addition, Eau Claire County worked with local governments to finalize
 intergovernmental agreements that further detail the process for implementation of stormwater and
 erosion control management within their jurisdiction and for their municipal projects.
- LCD staff administer Erosion Control (17.05) & Stormwater Management (17.06) Ordinances to manage construction and post-construction site discharges. In 2022, the LCD reviewed and approved 30 erosion control permits and 9 stormwater permits.
- LCD staff provide erosion control technical assistance to Land Use and Building Inspection staff for construction of one- & two-family residences within the county.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Nutrient Management Workshops provide farmer education on nutrient management and conservation topics to the rural community. LCD staff, in partnership with UW-Extension and Department of Agriculture, hosted 8 workshops in 2022.
Staff performed monthly on-air conservation updates on WAXX Radio with Bob Bosold and Jill Welke to provide relevant press releases throughout the year.
LCD staff, in partnership with the Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition, hosted a Bus Tour for locally elected officials. The tour highlighted conservation practices throughout the county, with visits to the Demonstration Farm to discuss cover crops and the no-till drill; a local farmer's no-till fields; and Lake Altoona to discuss the sedimentation problems in the County's waterways and impoundments.



CONSERVATION AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following 2022 Conservation Award Winners!

2022 Conservation Farmer: Gordon & Joyce Waller



Gordon & Joyce purchased an 80-acre farm back in 1995. They do not farm the land, but they do rent it to a local farmer who has been operating the land for the past 27 years. Gordon has also been working on conservation practices such as contour strips, maintaining grassed waterways, installing grass filter strips along Bear's Grass Creek, and protecting head lanes with field borders. He is also known in the community as a bee farmer, taking care of 200-300 hives a year. Over the years he has been teaching his grandson the art of raising and caring for bees as well.

2022 Water Quality Leadership: Michele Skinner

Michele began her role with the Lake District in July 2021. In her short time as chair she has reinvigorated the Lake Altoona community, took lead in directing the clean out of the sediment trap, solidified funding and permitting to clean the plugged south shore channel, collaborated with the Health Department and Parks & Forest to develop solutions to reduce algae issues, assisted with the application of a DNR grant for additional surveying equipment, collaborated with Lake Eau Claire for an ARPA grant, and collaborated with the LCD to host a "Think Tank" meeting that opened new partnerships with the WI DNR and USACOE.



2022 Special Recognition: Greg Leonard



Greg's conservation career began in 1979 when he graduated from UW Steven's Point in Wildlife Conservation & Wildlife Biology with a minor in Resource Management. Greg has worked for Fish and Wildlife Service, Minnesota DNR assisting with Pheasant Stamp funding, DNR in Vernon County, Trempealeau County, Dunn Country Land Conservation, and Eau Claire County. Greg started at Eau Claire County back in 2011 and just recently retired this year, where he was the Land Conservation Manager for the past 5 years.



2022 Special Recognition: Wildlands School Founders

Wildlands School was prompted by experiences teaching students in a format where everyone worked together as a research team on actual issues affecting our local environment. For a decade, the Augusta School courses and summer science program focused on environmental science research, including research projects on streams, lakes, forests, and grasslands, and developed partnerships with the Wisconsin DNR, Eau Claire County Conservation Department, and many local and regional outdoor groups. The founding teachers were Paul Tweed, Jeff Hadorn, and Liz Seubert who took what they knew was possible and made it reality. Wildland School came from people who care about students and believe that in order to help young people be stewards of our natural world, they have to learn to love it firsthand, be treated like people, be out in the real natural world, experience it, get wet, get cold, get tired, and work together as a team.





2022 Conservation Funding Sources Dollar Amount DATCP Land & Water Resource Management Grant (BOND) \$11,250.00 DATCP Nutrient Management Grant (SEG) no funding allocated **County Cost Share** \$2,365.00 Landowner Funds \$11,565.00 DNR Large Scale Targeted Resource Management (TRM) \$14,110.05 **DATCP Local Assistance Grant** \$171,295.00 MDV and Other Grant Fund Sources with Partners \$9,403.17 Farmland Preservation Tax Credits to local farmers \$353,293.00

For every \$1 of local tax levy, Land Conservation Division programs directly return nearly \$4 to the Eau Claire County economy.

Conservation Projects Installed	Quantity
Stream Crossing	1
Well abandonments	4
Acres of nutrient management planning	16,291

THANK YOU to our many partners. Without your help, we could not do the work that we do!



Planning and Development May 2023

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

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Vendor	Amount	Description	Line Item#
MSA Professionals	1,808.70	ECC Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance	100-15-56920-200-000
Amplify	10,000.00	Multifunction Plotter	201-15-57730-813-000
Amplify	1,000.00	Multifunction Plotter	202-15-51700-819-741
Town of Brunswick	88,174.50	ARPA Fund Match for Broadband	201-00-57195-819-000
APG	119.49	PD Public Hearing Notice for 4/25 & 5/9	100-15-56920-321-000
Americinn Hotel (Pcard)	192.00	Conference Lodging-Hannah	100-15-56920-340-000
USDA (Pcard)	169.00	Historical Aerial Photography	202-15-51700-200-741
Amazon (Pcard)	85.56	Office Supplies	100-15-56920-310-000
Voyager	178.67	April Fuel	100-15-56920-330-000
WLIA (Pcard)	120.00	WLIA-Spring Regional Conference	100-15-56920-340-000
ECC Highway	203.06	April Fuel	100-15-56920-330-000
Nels Gunderson Chevrolet	36,214.50	2023 Chevrolet Silverado	201-15-57730-811-022

Resurvey

Vendor	Amount	Description	Line Item#
TopCon Solutions Inc (Pcard)	519.75	Survoy Edulament Dengir	100-15-51740-360-200

Emergency Management

Vendor	Amount	Description	Line Item#
5 Bugle Training & Consulting	4,500.00	EPCRA Tabletop Exercise	100-15-52927-200-727
5 Bugle Training & Consulting	8,000.00	EPCRA Commodity Flow Study	100-15-52927-200-728
Amazon (Pcard)	33.90	EM Supplies	100-15-52924-390-723
Amazon (Pcard)	(183.43)	Refund	100-15-52924-390-723
Hilton (Pcard)	441.53	Conference Lodging	100-15-52927-330-726
Valerie Desio	291.90	April Active Shooter Expenses	100-15-52927-330-726
Valerie Desio	36.55	April Mileage Reimbursement	100-15-52924-330-000
Disaster Management Systems (Pcard)	1,785.19	Supplies	100-15-52927-310-726

Recycling

Vendor	Amount	Description	Line Item#
Regan Watts	48.71	Mileage Expenses	211-15-53635-330-000
Hyvee (Pcard)	14.99	Supplies	211-15-53635-368-000
Hobby Lobby (Pcard)	15.51	Supplies	211-15-53635-368-000
Office Max (Pcard)	62.99	Supplies	211-15-53635-368-000
Hyvee (Pcard)	16.99	Supplies	211-15-53635-368-000
GFL Environmental	7,518.82	April Dropsite	211-15-53635-208-000
GFL Environmental	46,593.36	April Curbside	211-15-53635-201-000
Martinez Beltran Perla	800.00	Recycler Translations	211-15-53635-368-000
Trash on Trucks	4,089.48	April Curbside	211-15-53635-201-000
Village of Fairchild	122.40	April Recycling Attendant	211-15-53635-208-000
Town of Wilson	82.08	March Recycling Attendant	211-15-53635-208-000
Waste Management	43,165.32	April Curbside	211-15-53635-201-000

Land Conservation

Vendor	Amount	Description	Line Item#
Lake Altoona District	115,846.25	Lake Altoona Sediment Trap Expenses	201-15-57730-829-000
Lake Eau Claire Protection & Rehab District	41,372.07	Lake Eau Claire Protection & Rehab	201-15-57730-829-000
Carl Sabelko	45.00	Tree Spade Refund	100-15-46810-000-701
In Situ Inc. (Pcard)	20.98	River Gauge	207-15-56924-390-716
Dragonfly Gardens (Pcard)	1,867.00	Tree Sale	100-15-56922-829-701
Batteries Plus (Pcard)	5.55	Wildlife Damage Supplies	100-15-56922-390-702
Batteries Plus (Pcard)	174.60	Wildlife Damage Supplies	100-15-56922-390-702
ECC Highway	107.13	April Fuel	100-15-56920-330-000
Holly Weigand	134.30	April/May Mileage Reimbursement	100-15-56920-330-000
Holly Weigand	29.37	Tree Sale Expenses Reimbursement	100-15-56922-829-701
Voyager	301.88	April Fuel	100-15-56920-330-000

Division	Totals
Planning	138,265.48
Resurvey	519.75
Emergency Management	14,905.64
Recycling	102,530.65
Land Conservation	159,904.13
Total	256,221.52