

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
GROUNDWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES – May 02, 2024, 4:00 pm,  
Eau Claire County Courthouse, Rm 0302  
721 Oxford Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54703**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Dunning, Larry Hoekstra, Darryll Farmer, Anna Mares, Mary Kenosian, Sham Anderson, Mark Kaeding, Jane Mohler

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Bob Swanson

**STAFF PRESENT:** Rod Eslinger (Planning & Development); Chad Berge (Land Conservation); Jane Mueller (Town of Washington); Audrey Boerner, Matt Steinbach (Eau Claire City/County Health Department)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Nancy Coffey (Eau Claire County Board) Lane Berg

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**1. Call to order by Chair.**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pro-term Dunning at 4:00 p.m.

**2. Roll call of members present**

Roll call was taken. A quorum was present with 5 members in attendance.

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

Dunning confirmed compliance with the open meetings law.

**4. Public Comment Period**

No public comments

**5. Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

**DISCUSSION:** James Dunning was nominated by Farmer for the Committee Chair. No other nominations were brought forward.

**ACTION:** Motion carried 5-0-0.

**DISCUSSION:** Darryl Farmer was nominated by Dunning for the Vice chair. No other nominations were brought forward.

**ACTION:** Motion carried 5-0-0.

**6. Election of Committee Clerk**

**DISCUSSION:** Heidi Pederson was nominated for the Committee clerk by Hoekstra. No other nominations were brought forward.

**ACTION:** Motion carried 5-0-0.

**7. Review/Approval of January 18, 2024, meeting minutes**

**DISCUSSION:** Change noted by Coffey that Lepsch adjourned the meeting.

**ACTION:** Motion by Anderson to approve the amended meeting minutes. Motion carried 5-0-0.

**8. Groundwater Flow Model Project Update.**

**DISCUSSION:** Eslinger provided current update regarding the US Army Corps of Engineers Floodplain Management

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Services Program funding for the development of a groundwater flow model. Eslinger was hoping to receive a funding update from Sparks with the USACE but never received a response.

\*Mark Kaeding arrived 4:08 pm

\*Anna Mares arrived via Webex at 4:09 pm

\*Mary Kenosian arrived via Webex at 4:12 pm

## 9. Members, Staff and Agency Updates

- a. **Committee Members** – Mohler – EPA has new PFAS standards and attended Brewing Projekt Earth Day. Farmer – attended Red Cedar Watershed Conference.
- b. **Regional Planning Commission** – Not present.
- c. **Planning and Development** – Eslinger provided a department update. Wrapping up updates to Farmland Preservation Plan.
- d. **Land Conservation** – Berge provided a division/staffing update.
- e. **Health Department** – Audrey provided link to DNR Shallow Wells Groundwater Study. [PFAS Ambient Shallow Groundwater Study | | Wisconsin DNR](#)  
Health Department purchased new ICPMS for laboratory. Sampling private wells in Southwestern area of county.
- f. **County Municipalities** – Anderson – Had his private well tested.

## 10. Set next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting date is August 1, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in room 0302.

## 11. Future Agenda Items:

## 12. Announcements:

None

## 13. Adjourn

Chair Dunning adjourned the meeting at 4:55p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Heidi Pederson, Administrative Specialist  
Groundwater Advisory Clerk