

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2016
LWCD Conference Room, James P. Coughlin Center

Convene: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrey at 9:01 a.m.

Present: LCC Members: Nancy Barker, Bruce Bohn, Chuck Farrey, Guy Hegg, Larry Kriescher, Tom Snider and Roger Zentner

Others Present: Tom Davies, Sheila Smith and Mike Haase, LWCD

Absent: none

Confirm Meeting/Agenda has been Properly Public Noticed in Accordance with County Policy: Chairman Farrey confirmed with Tom Davies that the meeting had been properly public noticed.

Approve May 5, 2016 LCC Meeting Minutes: A Barker/Zentner motion to approve the May 5, 2016, LCC meeting minutes passed 7-0.

Announcements:

- Tom D. mentioned that the Coughlin Center rain garden project was in full swing.
- Tom D. informed the LCC that Chairman Farrey had completed the approval process for the 2016 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant contract.
- Tom D. provided the LCC with the June 2016 DATCP newsletter for their review.
- Tom D. mentioned that John Melchert would be volunteering with LWCD a few days a week for the summer. Tom stated that John would be assisting with the Lower Fox River Watershed (LFR) Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) inventory efforts.
- Tom D. informed the LCC that Roger Zentner's appointment to the LCC had been approved by the County Board.
- Tom D. shared that Andrew Maracini, GIS Technician would be out of the office for most of June to care for his new daughter.
- Tom D. mentioned that LWCD was working with Information Systems to implement a new daily log system that will track time spent with landowners within certain watersheds. Tom D. explained that a portion of the daily log information will be used to generate reports for Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Contribution Agreement reimbursement requests.

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Farrey distributed information to the LCC regarding the Winnebago System Management Plan and the involvement of the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. Chairman Farrey also discussed the creation of a "Tri-County Agreement" between Winnebago, Fond du Lac and Calumet Counties and the need to review said agreement once drafted. Chairman Farrey asked the LCC to review the information provided to prepare for discussion at the July 7, 2016 LCC meeting. Chairman Farrey explained he will have several items on the agenda related to this topic.

Business Items:

Review and Approve/Disapprove the revised Winnebago County Shoreland Restoration Program for Urban Sites

Tom D. reviewed the revised program that had been discussed at the previous LCC meeting. Following a brief discussion a Snider/Hegg motion to approve the revised Shoreland Restoration Program passed 7-0.

Review the LWCD Project List

The LCC discussed the new additions to the project list.

Review and Approve Winnebago County Water Quality Improvement Program Cost Share Agreements (CSA) to Provide Funding for Eligible Projects

Following a review of the CSA Summary Sheet, a Kriescher/Bohn motion to approve \$592.00 for Richard Kettlewell and \$705.00 for Scott Wegner, both for well abandonment projects, passed 6-0-1 (Farrey abstained).

Discuss Options/Ideas to Correct or Reduce Erosion and Sediment Loading Occurring Within and Adjacent to Town, County and State Road Right of Ways (ROW)

Tom D., Sheila Smith and Mike Haase presented information to the LCC regarding ongoing sediment and phosphorus runoff from cropland and livestock sites being delivered to ROWs in the County. Sheila and Mike shared their observations, concerns and recommendations. LCC members discussed similar instances within their respective towns or areas. The use of a "Critical Area Stabilization" practice was discussed in situations where cropland compliance with the Ag-Performance Standards was not sufficient to control sediment and phosphorus delivery to the ROW/road ditch. Efforts being used in other towns, counties and states were also discussed. LWCD staff will keep the LCC informed of future efforts to correct the issue.

Update on the Lower Fox River Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load Implementation Project

Tom D. reviewed the current inventory efforts being conducted and the plan to begin onsite reviews now that the planting season was complete.

A Snider/Hegg motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. passed 7-0.

Tom Davies, Recorder