

WINNEBAGO COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (LCC)

Meeting Minutes of November 5, 2021 LCC Monthly Meeting

Meeting Room B, James P. Coughlin Center

Convene: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrey at 9:00 a.m.

Present: **LCC Members:** Chuck Farrey, Julie Gordon, Ben Joas, & Tom Snider

LWCD Staff: Chad Casper

Others present: Maddy Pfaff & Chip Lovell, USDA Wildlife Services

Absent: Bruce Bohn, Roger Zentner & Karen Powers

Confirm Meeting/Agenda has been Properly Public Noticed in Accordance with County Policy:

Chairman Farrey confirmed with Director Casper that the meeting had been properly public noticed.

Approve October 7, 2021 LCC Meeting Minutes:

A Gordon/Snider motion to approve the minutes passed 4-0.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

There were no public comments.

Announcements:

- Director Casper let the LCC know that the LWCD will be conducting a barnyard inventory required by the WDNR in the top four pollutant loading watersheds in the county that are identified in the 9KE for final plan approval. The remaining watersheds in the county will have barnyard inventories completed in the future when time allows.
- Director Casper let the LCC know the FVTC asked if the LWCD would have a need for a volunteer, Casper discussed this with staff and we all agreed that it could benefit our department along with the college student.
- Director Casper distributed the November DATCP Report for the LCC to review.
- Director Casper thanked the LCC for their support in getting the new position approved by the County Board this week and recognizing the need for this position in order to be successful in working towards achieving the goals set in the 9KE Plan.

Chairman's Report:

- Chairman Farrey also thanked the LCC for their support of the new position for the LWCD. Farrey feels all the great work done by the LWCD is recognized by the County Board and this helped in getting the position approved.

Business Items:

Review and Approve the Resolution requesting County Board approval of a Three-Year Agreement between Winnebago County and Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance to Implement the Great Lakes Sediment Reduction Nutrient Program Grant

Following a brief review of the Three-Year Agreement by Chairman Farrey, a Gordon/Joas motion to approve the Agreement and the associated Resolution passed 4-0

Review and Approve the 2021 USDA Wildlife Damage Abatement & Claims Program (WDACP) Crop Prices to be used to reimburse the program participants for their Crop Damage and set the 90% Harvest Cut-Off Date
Maddy Pfaff and Chip Lovell with the USDA Wildlife Services, reviewed the proposed prices for the different commodities affected by wildlife damage. Following a discussion regarding commodity prices, a Joas/Gordon motion was made to set the price for Alfalfa to \$166.75 per ton passed 4-0, a Joas/Gordon motion was made to set the price for Alfalfa/Grass-mix to \$120.85 per ton passed 4-0, a Gordon/Joas motion was made to set the price for Field Corn to \$5.30 per bushel passed 4-0, a Snider/Gordon motion was made to set the price for Oats to \$2.36 per bushel passed 4-0, a Snider/Joas motion was made to set the price for Soybeans to \$12.84 per bushel passed 4-0, a Snider/Gordon motion was made to set the price for Wheat to \$6.07 per bushel passed 4-0. A Snider/Gordon motion to approve the entire 2021 crop price proposal passed 4-0. Following a short discussion, a Joas/Gordon motion to make the 90% cut-off date December 1, 2021 passed 4-0.

Review and Approve the 2022 Wildlife Damage Abatement & Claims Program (WDACP) Budget
Following a brief review of the proposed USDA and WDNR 2022 WDACP Budget by Maddy Pfaff & Chip Lovell, a Gordon/Joas motion to approve the budgets as presented passed 4-0.

Review and Approve Participation in the 2022 Deer Donation
Following a brief review of the 2022 Deer Donation Program by Maddy Pfaff & Chip Lovell a Joas/Snider motion to approve participation in the program passed 4-0.

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 a Gordon/Joas motion to approve \$105.55 for the Charles & Lauren Hebert well abandonment project, \$375.00 for the Rebecca Kellner & Tim Swanson well abandonment project, \$500.00 for the Greg Hullar well abandonment project and \$480.00 for the Jean Leonard well abandonment project passed 4-0.

Review the LWCD Project List
The LCC reviewed and acknowledged the new projects on the list.

A Snider/Joas motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 a.m. passed 4-0.

Chad Casper, Recorder