

## **Minutes of Land Conservation Committee**

**Date of Meeting:** December 3, 2012  
**Members Present:** Dave Solin, William Bostwick, Glenn Remington, Holly Matucheski, Eugene Kamps, Arlene Bonacci  
**Members Absent:** None  
**Others Present:** Marie Graupner, Sally Hull, Duane Haakenson, Jeremy Irish, Peggy Lane  
**Location:** Wolf River Room, Resource Center, 837 Clermont Street, Antigo

The meeting was called to order by Solin at 3 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Minutes of Last Meeting:**

Matucheski made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **Old Business/Report of Events Attended:**

Graupner received a copy of the minutes of the Great Lakes Non-Point Abatement organization. We will not be renewing our dues for 2013.

### **2012 Wildlife Damage Crop Prices:**

Jeremy Irish presented the crop price proposal for 2012 for wildlife damage. There will be two claims, one for ginseng and one for organic corn. Kamps made a motion to accept the crop price proposal. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Irish also explained that starling treatments will be carried out on farms where they are a nuisance. Questions can be referred to his agency.

### **NRCS Agency Report:**

Peggy Lane reported on program sign-ups. With the absence of a farm bill to date, there is nothing new. Payments are being processed on existing contracts. EQIP sign up will close January 18 with an obligation deadline of March 29. Pam Denzine has been working on projects. Peggy said the building they lease for the NRCS office is rented on a month to month basis so they may be moving to a new location.

### **Farmland Preservation Certificates of Compliance:**

Graupner has several farmland preservation certificates of compliance to submit for farms that have met compliance spot checks. Property owners are Daniel Wild, Leonard & Mary Wild, Tom & Caroline Wild, Wild Seed Farm Inc., William Guenther, Wayne Schultz, James Tatro, Mach's Sunny Acres, Ronald Mach, Richard Estreen, Kenneth Mach, Robert Dale Fronek, Carley Fronek, Lillian Fronek, Robert Jira, Ken Deacy, John Schroeder, Don Schroeder, David Incha, James Gallenberg, Daniel Gallenberg, Houdek Farms Inc., Thomas Houdek, Igl's Homestead, Harold Igl, Incha Brothers, Michael Hartman, Todd Hartman, Karl Verhasselt, and Tony Koss.

**Lumberjack RC&D Project:**

A draft proposal to inventory invasive species on the highway systems of Langlade County has been put together. The deadline for submission to Lumberjack is December 31. Grants of up to \$5000 require a county match of 15%. Grants over \$5000 require a county match of 25%. Lumberjack has up to \$10,000 per county to award for projects. Kamps made a motion to proceed with submitting the proposal to inventory invasive species on Langlade County highways. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Cost Share Projects:**

Graupner reported that we did get a transfer of funds from Shawano County to complete a nutrient management plan for Brian Bolen. Hembel and Silver Birch projects are completed and we are awaiting final approval of the Gooch project. If there are funds left, they will go toward the Evergreen or Lenzner projects. Preliminary allocation for next year is \$75,000 staffing, \$28,000 SEG, and \$61,741 bonding dollars.

**Department Update:**

Extension for the Land & Water Resource Management Plan has been submitted to DATCP. A nutrient management plan workshop will be held December 19.

**Bills:**

Bostwick made a motion to approve bills submitted. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Upcoming Events:**

Soil & Water Nutrient Management will be held in Shawano on December 4, Graupner will attend. TIP CWMA will be held December 18 in Shawano. Nutrient management training will be held in Antigo on December 19.

**Next Meeting:**

The next LCC meeting will be January 14, 2013, 3 p.m.

**Adjourn:**

Matucheski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,  
Sally Hull