

Minutes of Land Conservation Committee

Date of Meeting: January 13, 2014
Members Present: Dave Solin, Glenn Remington, Holly Matucheski, Arlene Bonacci, Eugene Kamps, William Bostwick
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Sally Hull, Molly McKay, Duane Haakenson, Matt Peplinski
Location: Wolf River Room, Resource Center, 837 Clermont Street, Antigo

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

Minutes of Last Meeting:

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

Old Business/Report of Events Attended:

Molly McKay attended an auto cad program in Appleton last week.

Agency Reports:

FSA – Matt Peplinski said FSA will be here in the Resource Center on Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Merrill office building was sold. FSA moved into the Wausau office temporarily, but are looking for a new lease in Antigo. With no farm bill, programs are few. The non-insurable crop program and commodity loans are about the only two programs now.

FSA county elections were set to be held in December, but the wrong ballots were sent out. So the election will close January 17. Glenn Remington has been a FSA representative for 29 years. This will be Glenn's last meeting.

NRCS – Peggy Winter submitted a written report.

Department Fees:

Land Conservation fees are listed in the county ordinances and would require a public hearing and county board approval to change the fees. Currently the fee for failing to certify annual compliance for Farmland Preservation is \$50. The fee to construct an animal waste storage facility is \$100.

Policy for Special Meeting:

Discussion was held on charging if a special meeting would have to be called for someone who may have missed deadlines that could have been taken care of at regular meetings. The Water and Land Use Committee charges \$350 plus the cost of any permits if a special meeting needs to be called for their committee. Bostwick made a motion to charge a fee of \$350 plus any other applicable fees when a special meeting needs to be held. Remington seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Presentation on SWRM:

Molly McKay gave a presentation on SWRM projects completed in 2013. Solin suggested holding a tour of sites in spring or early summer.

Department Update:

Possible SWRM projects for 2014 were reviewed.

We received the contract for the 2014 Clean Sweep. Amounts are \$6000 for Ag and \$8500 for Household. Our cost share amount would be \$2833.33. There may be enough carry-forward to cover this amount.

Upcoming Events:

Lumberjack RC&D will be held January 16 in Vilas County. Graupner, Solin, Kamps, and Molly McKay will attend. NCLWCA is February 21 in Wausau. Matucheski will be attending. WLWCA is set for March 10-12 in Appleton. Molly is attending and possibly Matucheski. Solin is interested in running for the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Board.

Next Meeting:

The next LCC meeting will be held February 10, 2014, 3:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

Bostwick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Sally Hull