

Minutes of Land Conservation Committee

Date of Meeting: November 5, 2012
Members Present: Dave Solin, William Bostwick, Glenn Remington, Holly Matucheski
Members Absent: Eugene Kamps, Arlene Bonacci
Others Present: Marie Graupner, Sally Hull, Duane Haakenson
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. Matucheski made a motion to excuse Bonacci and Kamps. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business/Report of Events Attended:

Graupner attended the Lumberjack meeting and the NCLWCA meeting in Wausau. The speaking contest and poster contests were held. Our Langlade County poster won first place and went on to state competition but did not place there. Marie also attended the Farm Bureau meeting. She invited Farm Bureau members to stop in and visit her office.

2013 Wildlife Damage Crop Prices:

This item is tabled until the December meeting.

Farmland Preservation Withdrawal Request:

Don Fleischman has made a request to withdraw from the farmland preservation program. Bostwick made a motion to withdraw Fleischman from the program. Matucheski seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Request for Extension for Land and Water Resource Management Plan:

The Land and Water Resource Management Plan is due for rewriting. Graupner has asked for a one-year extension to coincide with state approval of the farmland preservation program. This extension needs county board approval. Graupner reviewed the statement of progress included in the document. Bostwick made a motion to ask for county board approval for a one-year extension for rewriting the Land and Water Resource Management Plan. Matucheski seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried. The request for this extension needs to be submitted to the state by November 30.

Lumberjack RC&D Projects:

RC&D has grants available for projects. We have received two such grants – one for the Arboretum at Jack Lake and one for signage in the county forest. There is \$10,000 available per county and a proposal needs to be submitted by the end of the year. Duane Haakenson talked to Tom Lazars at Jack Lake about replacing the bathrooms in the campground area and the one on the beach. Another possibility is to do some repairs on the Old Schoolhouse at the fairgrounds or do something with roadside invasive species. A decision will be made at the December LCC meeting.

2012 Cost Share Projects:

The Hembel and Silver Birch projects have been completed. The Gooch and Prasalowicz projects are finished but we are waiting on bills to come in. Nagel has received DNR approval. Koss and Evergreen Dairy are possibilities for next year and Graupner is meeting with Shane Lenzner on a possible project. Transfers between counties need to be submitted by November 15 or funds need to be utilized by year-end. Transferring does not impact future funding.

Department Update:

The department update was mailed out. Graupner handed out an update from DATCP and a report from FSA. Remington said FSA may be considering coming back to Antigo to have office hours here. There are grants available for the Clean Boats Clean Waters program.

Bills:

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

Upcoming Events:

TIP CWMA was held last week in Antigo. Lumberjack RC&D has agreed to be the fiscal agent for the program. Soil & Water Nutrient Management will be held in Shawano on December 4. Graupner will be attending. A NMP meeting is set for December 19.

Next Meeting:

The next LCC meeting is set for December 3, 3 p.m.

Adjournment:

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

Submitted by,
Sally Hull