

## Minutes of Land Conservation Committee

**Date of Meeting:** August 9, 2011  
**Members Present:** Mike Klimoski, Eugene Kamps, Rick Bina, Tom Schultz, William Bostwick, Glenn Remington  
**Members Absent:** None  
**Others Present:** Marie Graupner, Sally Hull, Pam Denzine, Jeremy Irish  
**Location:** Wolf River Room, Resource Center, 837 Clermont Street, Antigo

The meeting was called to order by Klimoski at 10:45 a.m.

### **Approve Minutes and Agenda:**

Bina made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Schultz seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

Kamps, Schultz, and Graupner attended the Lumberjack RC&D meeting. RC&D has \$7500 in funding for each county to use for projects. Possible projects include roofing the lodge at Camp Susan and working on the Arboretum at Jack Lake. Ideas need to be submitted at the next RC&D meeting in October. RC&D would like publicity in exchange for the funds. The question was raised as to whether or not this needs to go to Finance because of the funding. It would also have to go to Public Property because of the roofing project. This item will be tabled until the next LCC meeting.

Klimoski attended the Mary Lake meeting.

### **Agency Reports:**

NRCS – Pam Denzine said letters were sent to CSP participants to certify activities. FSA compliance reviews are being processed. Pam is working on designs for two animal walkways.

### **Wildlife Damage:**

Jeremy Irish discussed the venison donation program for 2011. There has been \$2000 allocated for Langlade County. Kamps made a motion to accept the agreement to participate in the 2011 venison donation program. Schultz seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried. Jeremy said he did a presentation at Merry's Berries on the venison donation program to about 50 participants. Enrollments for bear damage are starting.

### **Lumberjack RC&D Projects:**

Possible projects include roofing the lodge at Camp Susan and doing some work on the Arboretum at Veterans Memorial Park.

### **Farmland Preservation Program:**

Graupner handed out a list of FFP agreements within the AEA area. Twenty of them have been sent to DATCP but no word yet if they have been accepted. A few still need to turn in more paperwork. Schultz made a motion to have Klimoski sign the agreements that are complete and send them on to DATCP. Bina seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

**SWRM:**

2012 grant – Graupner received a letter from DATCP that preliminary figures would be released in October. We should continue to get the base \$85,000 for staffing. We got \$3,500 in SEG dollars last year and may get this amount again. Bonding dollars may be about \$60,000, but none of these amounts are set.

Bid Opening – Bids for work at Silver Birch Ranch were reviewed. Tatro Dirt Works had the low bid of \$12,814 and Duffek Sand & Gravel a bid of \$36,953.70. Silver Birch can accept either bid but they must pay the difference if they accept the high bidder.

Duffek's will be doing the Sherrelle Steckbauer job to close a manure storage pit. Tatro was the low bidder but Steckbauer will pay the difference between the bids.

Project Updates – Two projects to create animal walkways will be bid out. They are for Andy Bures and Jeff Smith. Dave Solin is looking at rotational grazing for his land. Jim Gooch has land in both Langlade County and Lincoln County on the county line. He is looking at a grazing project. He had asked to have the money transferred to Lincoln County. If the project is approved, it will be under Langlade County.

**2012 Department Budget:**

The budget is due to Finance by August 26. Klimoski and Graupner will review the figures when completed.

**Department Update:**

Graupner received thank you's from Travis Guy who attended camp in Bruce, Wisconsin, and from Kretz Lumber for their nomination for an award from the Lumberjack RC&D. Graupner has spent the majority of time working on the FPP program.

**Bills:**

Bina made a motion to approve the bills submitted. Kamps seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Upcoming Events:**

Graupner will attend the NCLWCA summer tour on August 12 in Portage County. Kamps and Schultz will attend the RC&D conference in Stevens Point on September 14-16. RC&D is paying registration and lodging for two people per county to attend. Each county is asked to donate an item(s) for the silent auction. Schultz will donate potatoes for the auction and Graupner will check for another item, maybe something made of wood. Another idea was to see if we could reserve a campsite at Jack Lake for a weekend and auction that off.

**Next Meeting Date:**

The next LCC meeting will be September 12, 2011, at 10:15 a.m.

**Adjourn:**

Schultz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 p.m. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,  
Sally Hull