

**Lincoln County Land Information, Conservation Committee and University Extension**  
**Minutes of Wednesday July 13, 2011 10:00am**  
**Lincoln County Service Center**  
**Lower Level Conference Room 156**  
**801 N Sales Street**  
**Merrill, WI 54452**

Members Present: Jim Alber, Dave Fox, Ramona Pampuch, Frank Saal, Ray Bloomer and FSA Representative Hans Breitenmoser Jr.  
Visitors: Sarah Koss, Diane Hanson, Debbie Moellendorf, Jeremy Irish, Tom Schmitz

**1. Call Meeting to Order:**

The Land Information, Conservation & UW Extension committee meeting was called to order by Secretary Saal at 10:00 am.

**2. Approval of Minutes from the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Committee Meeting**

**Motion** by Bloomer second by Pampuch to approve the minutes from the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 committee meeting. Motion carried.

**3. Public comment**

None

**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

**4. Q & A on ROD Budget Report**

Sarah reviewed the budget report. The monthly report was included in packet for committee review.

Chair Alber arrived at 10:05am

**5. Q & A on ROD Monthly Written Report**

Sarah reviewed the report. The monthly written report was included in the packet for committee review.

Moved to Item #7 to accommodate visitor

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**7. Ag Development Educator Position**

Jim mentioned that the Chair of the Marathon County Committee has contacted him and is interested in continuing to work cooperatively on the Ag Development Educator position with Lincoln County. Tom Schmitz reiterated on the positives of the cooperative relationship between Lincoln and Marathon County. He also reported that interim assistance will be provided by Ken Barnett and provided some background information on Ken.

Discussion followed on the needs assessment and future meetings dealing with refilling the Ag Development Educator position.

Moved to Item# 12 to accommodate visitor

**12. Wildlife Damage Program Update – Jeremy Irish**

Jeremy provided an update on the Wildlife Damage program activities in Lincoln County

**6. Review 2011 Extension Budget Report**

Debbie reviewed the budget report. The budget report was included in the agenda packet for committee review.

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**8. Budget Report/Retained Fee Report**

The budget report and retained fees report was included in agenda packet for committee review.

**9. Review/Action on LWRM cost share agreement(s)**

The agreements were not ready at this time so Diane will present them at the August Committee meeting

**10. Discussion on Zoning/Land Information & Conservation Department consolidation**

Diane reported on issues related to the consolidation of the Zoning and Land Information & Conservation Departments.

Discussion followed. Chair Alber discussed concerns about having two committees supervising the Land Services Administrator. Discussion followed. **Motion** by Bloomer second by Alber to pursue a plan to have the Land Services Administrator report to one committee. Roll call vote: Bloomer-aye, Pampuch-nay, Saal-nay, Alber-aye, Fox-nay, Breitenmoser-aye. Motion failed – tie vote.

Pampuch left at 11:35am

**Motion** by Fox second by Saal to support the department head in resolving staffing issues including hiring of support staff. Roll call vote: Breitenmoser-aye, Alber-aye, Bloomer-nay, Fox-aye, Saal-aye. Motion carried

**11. Q & A on Staff Activity Reports**

The staff activity reports were included in packet for committee review.

**13. Discuss and Set next Meeting, Date and Time**

The next Land Information, Conservation and UW Extension meeting will be held August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 10:00am.

**14. Adjournment**

**Motion** by Alber second by Saal to adjourn at 11:50am. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Diane Hanson, Debbie Moellendorf and Terri Pankow.