

Lincoln County Land Information, Conservation Committee and University Extension
Minutes of Wednesday April 11th, 2012 10:00am
Lincoln County Service Center
Lower Level Conference Room 156
801 N Sales Street
Merrill, WI 54452

Members Present: Jim Alber, Ramona Pampuch, Ray Bloomer, Dave Fox

Excused Members: Frank Saal

Visitors: Diane Hanson, Debbie Moellendorf, Sarah Koss, Randy Scholz, Pamela Denzine

1. Call Meeting to Order:

The Land Information, Conservation & U-W Extension committee meeting was called to order by Chair Alber at 10:02am.

2. Approval of Minutes from the March 14th, 2012 Committee Meeting

Motion by Bloomer second by Fox to approve the minutes from the March 14th committee meeting. Motion carried.

3. Public comment

No public comment

4. Discuss Roles and Responsibilities of Committee Chair

Jim asked for this agenda item due to a difference of opinion on an action related to the Ag agent position and recent grant applications. Jim wanted to have a discussion at the meeting about the roles and responsibilities of the Chair. Discussion followed.

Pampuch arrived at 10:10am

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5. Shared Lincoln and Marathon County Ag Development Educator Position

Debbie provided an update on the position. The paperwork for the position has been forwarded to the Dean's office and are waiting a decision on timing for the posting. Debbie also provided a copy of the information provided on the website regarding the position.

6. 2012 State WACEC Conference, June 25-26, 2012 in Green Bay and Bus Transportation Option

Debbie discussed the upcoming WACEC Conference. **Motion** by Alber second by Pampuch to approve mileage and per diem for committee member attendance to WACEC Conference. Motion carried.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

7. Q & A Monthly Munis Report

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

8. Q & A Monthly Written Report

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

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9. Natural Resource Conservation Service Report

Pam Denzine, NRCS Technician provided a report on current NRCS activities

10. Budget Reports/Retained Fee Report

Diane reviewed the budget and retained fee reports. The budget report and retained fee report were included in agenda packet for committee review.

11. Department Head Report

a. Modification to 2013 DATCP grant application

Diane explained the need for modification to the 2013 DATCP grant application. **Motion** by Alber second by Bloomer to approve modification to 2013 DATCP grant application (Items #1 and #2). Motion carried.

b. Update on Tri-County AIS Project

Diane provided an update on the project. Chris Hamerla has accepted a DNR position so the Lumberjack RC&D is currently in the process of replacing the AIS Coordinator position. Grant funds should continue the project thru December 2012. Diane will be applying for a grant by August 1st to continue the project.

c. Update on office structure/revisions to position descriptions

Diane reviewed the proposed office structure and revisions to job descriptions. Discussion followed. The committee members want to revisit this issue at the May meeting.

d. Targeted Runoff Management Grant Resolutions

Diane reviewed the resolutions for Targeted Runoff Management grants for Randy Krueger and Hans Breitenmoser, Jr. **Motion** by Bloomer second by Pampuch to approve resolutions for TRM grants applications. Motion carried.

e. Ag Enterprise Area Informational meeting update

Diane updated the committee on the informational meeting on ag enterprise areas that was held recently

f. Review/Action on WLWCA Membership dues

Diane reviewed the current activities of WLWCA and WALCE. **Motion** by Pampuch second by Alber to pay 2012 WLWCA dues. **Motion** by Bloomer second by Alber amend motion to include envirothon fee with dues payment. Motion carried amendment passed. Original motion passed.

g. Review/Action on 0212 DATCP Grant Contract

Diane stated that the 2012 contract has not yet been received and that projects were ready to go. **Motion** by Bloomer second by Pampuch to authorize committee chair to sign that two pending cost share applications upon receipt of DATCP grant contract. Motion carried.

12. Q & A on Staff Activity Reports

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

13. Convene into closed session pursuant to sec. 19.85(1) (c), Wis. Stat. for purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee (s) over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. [Land Services Director]

Motion by Alber second by Fox to convene in closed session with Randy Scholz remaining in closed session. Roll call vote: Fox-aye, Alber-aye, Pampuch-aye, Bloomer-nay. Motion carried.

14. Reconvene into open session and take any necessary action on closed session item (above)

Motion by Alber second by Fox to reconvene in to open session. Roll call vote: Alber-aye, Fox-aye, Bloomer-aye, Pampuch-aye. Motion carried. **Motion** by Bloomer second by Alber to approve an outstanding performance evaluation for Diane. Motion carried.

15. Discuss and Set next Meeting, Date and Time

Next Land Information, Conservation and UW Extension committee meeting will be held May 9th, 2012 at 10:00am. This date may change due to reorganization of committee

16. Adjournment

Motion by Alber second by Pampuch to adjourn at 12:10 p m. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Diane Hanson, Debbie Moellendorf, Terri Pankow