

Lincoln County Land Information, Conservation Committee and University Extension
Minutes of Wednesday May 7, 2008 9:00am
Land Resource Meeting Room
1106 E 8th St
Merrill, WI 54452

Members Present: Frank Saal, Carl Short, R.Wayne Plant, John Bailey, Dave Fox

Members Excused: FSA Representative Rick Dorn

Visitors: Diane Hanson, Debbie Moellendorf, Art Lersch, Peter Lloyd, Pam Row, Sarah Koss, Beryl Vandre Emerich and Terri Pankow

1. Call Meeting to Order:

In absence of a chair person, Diane Hanson called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

2. Introductions

The committee members, staff and visitors introduced themselves.

3. Election of Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary

Diane Hanson asked for nominations for Chair. Frank Saal was nominated. **Motion** by Bailey second by Plant to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot for Frank Saal . Carried all ayes.

Fran Saal asked for nominations for Vice-Chair. Carl Short was nominated. **Motion** by Plant second by Saal to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot for Carl Short. Carried all ayes.

Frank Saal asked for nominations for Secretary. Wayne Plant was nominated. **Motion** by Saal second by Bailey to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot for Wayne Plant. Carried all ayes.

4. Discuss and Set next Meeting, Date and Time

The next Land Information, Conservation & UW-Extension Committee meetings will be held June 4, 2008, July 9, 2008 and August 13th 2008 at 9:00 am in the Land Resource Center meeting room.

5. Review and discuss committee responsibilities

Diane reviewed the committee responsibilities per the County Code of Ordinance.

6. Approval of Minutes from the March 11, 2008 and April 8th, 2008 Committee Meetings

Motion by Saal second by Short to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2008 and April 8th, 2008 committee meeting. Carried all ayes.

7. Public Comment

Peter Lloyd, Bridge Lake(Lake Nokomis) and Lincoln County Lakes and River Association, provided comments and information on the formation of a lake District on Lake Nokomis as well as information on the Lincoln County Lakes and River Association.

Land Information and Conservation

8. Overview of Land Information and Conservation Department

Diane reviewed the responsibilities and programs of the Land Information and Conservation Department.

9. Appoint representatives for North Central & Water Conservation Association (NCLWCA), Lumberjack Resource Conservation & Development Council (RC&D), Lake District Representatives and Land Services Group

Diane provided information regarding these associations and groups.

Saal appointed Dave Fox as a representative of the North Central & Water Conservation Association with Plant as an alternate. Saal appointed Plant as a representative for the Lumberjack Conservation & Development Council with Bailey as an alternate. Saal appointed Plant as a representative for the Lake Districts with Saal alternate. Saal appointed Saal as a representative for the Land Services group with Short as an alternate.

10. Budget Reports/retained Fee Report

Diane reviewed the Budget Reports and Retained Fee Report with the committee.

11. Q&A on Staff Activity Reports

Diane reviewed the Staff Activity reports with the committee. The Surveyor report was distributed during the meeting to the committee. The Conservation, Real Property Lister and GIS staff activity reports were included in agenda packet for review.

12. Department Head Report

a. Review and take action on 2008 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Contract

Diane reviewed the 2008 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Contract with the committee. **Motion** by Plant second by Bailey to accept the 2008 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Contract. Carried all ayes.

b. Review, discuss and take action on Vilas County and Florence County Clean Water Restoration Act Resolution referred by County Board

Diane reviewed the Vilas County and Florence County Clean Water Restoration Act Resolution with the committee. Discussion followed. **Motion** by Saal second by Short to lay this item over until next month's committee meeting. Carried all ayes.

c. Update on Lake Nokomis Public Hearing on the formation of a lake district

Diane and Peter Lloyd provided an update on the process that is currently occurring to form a Lake District on Lake Nokomis.

d. Review and take action on Capitol Improvement Project Requests

Diane reviewed the Capitol Improvement Project Requests with the committee. **Motion** by Saal second by Bailey to approve and forward the Total Station Replacement CIP to the Finance committee with a rating of 4. Carried all ayes. **Motion** by Plant second by Bailey to approve and forward the Conservation Vehicle Replacement CIP to the Finance committee with a rating of 2. Carried all ayes. **Motion** by Bailey second by Plant to approve and forward the Surveyor Vehicle Replacement to the Finance committee with a rating of 3. Carried all ayes. **Motion** by Short second by Saal to approve and forward the Digital Orthophotos CIP to the Finance committee with a rating of 4. Carried all ayes. **Motion** by Saal second by Plant to approve and forward the Parcel Mapping to the Finance committee with a rating of 4. Carried all ayes.

e. Review Thursday Note and VHS (viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus) rules

Diane reviewed the Thursday Note and the VHS rules with the committee.

f. Review and take action to authorize attendance at Land Conservation Committee Supervisory Training and Lake Management Planning Workshop

Diane reviewed the Land Conservation Committee Supervisory Training and Lake Management Planning Workshop with the committee. **Motion** by Plant second by Saal to approve mileage and per diem to any committee member interested in attending. Carried all ayes.

13. Q&A on Agency Reports

Pam Row reviewed the NRCS activities with the committee.

UW – EXTENSION

14. Overview of UW-Extension

Moellendorf provided an overview of UW-Extension. During her presentation she explained the partnership between the University and the County, as well as an overview of program areas. Staff will be providing a more in-depth overview of their programming at future meetings for the committee members.

15. Review Extension budget report

Moellendorf reviewed the revenue and expense report for April which was included in the committee's packet.

16. Review and take action on attendance of committee members at 2008 State Wisconsin Association County Extension Committee, Inc. (WALCE) Conference June 17-18th in Stevens Point

Moellendorf indicated that State WACEC registration packets were received and distributed them to the committee members. As a member of the conference planning team, Supervisor Plant provided an overview of the upcoming conference and the benefits to committee members attending this conference. **Motion** by Saal second by Bailey to approve to per diem and mileage for committee members to attend the 2008 State WACEC Conference. Motion carried, all ayes.

17. Q&A on Agriculture Development Agent Written Report

Tom Cadwallader's written report for April was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review and placed on file

18. Q&A on Community and Economic Development Educator Written Report

Art Lersch's written report for April was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review and placed on file.

19. Q&A on Family Living Educator Written Report

Brenda Janke's written report for April was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review and placed on file.

20. Q&A on Wisconsin Nutrition Education Written Report

Brenda Herrell and Karen Thell's written report for April was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review and placed on file. Supervisor Plant asked when the committee would learn more regarding the transition from the Lincoln and Taylor County to the Lincoln and Marathon County program partnership to begin on October 1st (beginning of the new grant year). Moellendorf explained that Tammy Hanson, who will be our new coordinator, and Brenda Herrell have been meeting with agency and other partners to discuss this transition and plans for the next grant cycle. Tammy and Brenda will be updating the committee at future committee meetings in June and /or July.

21. Q&A on 4-H Youth Development Program Advisor Written Report

Amanda Kostman's written report for April was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review and placed on file.

22. Q&A on 4-H Youth Development/Department Head Written Report

Debbie Moellendorf's written report for April was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review and placed on file.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

23. Overview of Register of Deeds

Sarah reviewed the responsibilities of the Register of Deeds office

24. Review Monthly Budget Report

The Register of Deeds Monthly Budget Report was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review.

25. Review Register of Deeds Written Report

Register of Deeds Written Report was included in the agenda packet for the committee to review.

26. Adjournment

Motion by Plant second by Bailey to adjourn at 12.20pm. Carried all ayes.