



## AGENDA

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EXTENSION  
POLK COUNTY AGRICULTURE & EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
Wednesday, June 8, 2011  
County Board Room, Government Center  
100 Polk Plaza  
Balsam Lake, WI

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- 11:00 a.m.
- Call to Order
  - Approve Agenda
  - Minutes of Last Meeting
  - Public Comments
  - Dog Claims
    - \* Limiting dog claim awards – discussion/action
  - Policy on use of Extension equipment
  - Agent Report
  - UWEX Western District Business
  - Adjourn

This meeting is open to the public according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.83. Persons with disabilities wishing to attend and/or participate are asked to notify the County Clerk's office (715-485-9226) at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting time so all reasonable accommodations can be made. Requests are confidential.

**Polk County Agriculture and Extension Education Committee**  
**Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**County Board Room, Government Center**  
**100 Polk Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI 54810**

Present: Supervisors: Dean Johansen, Herschel Brown, Larry Jepsen, Wendy Rattel, and Ted Johnson; UW Extension faculty: Gail Peavy and Jennifer Blazek; Corporation Counsel: Jeff Fuge; Polk County Nutrition Education Program Coordinator; Mary Lestrud

Dean Johansen called meeting to order at 11:08 am.

Committee members welcomed Jennifer Blazek, the new Ag Agent, to the meeting.

Approved Agenda: **Motion by Brown; seconded by Jepsen to approve agenda. Motion carried.**

Minutes of Last Meeting:

**Motion by Jepsen; seconded by Brown to approve the minutes of the May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.**

Public Comments: None.

Dog Claims: Fuge presented various limits set by other county's dog claim ordinances. Fuge presented first draft of ordinance rewrite. Discussion followed. Fuge will revise ordinance to reflect claim definition agreed upon by committee. No action taken at this time.

Policy on use of Extension equipment: Peavey informed committee of usage of Extension's equipment by other agencies/departments. There is a concern with high volume projects. Committee suggests a fair usage fee be charged to appropriate agencies/departments. Staff will consult with Dana Frey.

Agent Reports: (1) Jennifer Blazek reported that she started last Wednesday. She is taking phone calls and will be attending the Dairy Breakfast. (2) Gail Peavey distributed her report and several handouts – "Creating Aging-Friendly Communities in Wisconsin" an important topic in Polk County at present but lower attendance than expected; "The DAD Thing" is a class that meets for 14 weeks on Thursdays from 5-7:15pm at Polk County Government Center, June 9-September 15; "Community Corrections and Jail Reentry" is an educational seminar at Stevens Point on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 10am-3pm.

UWEX Western District Business: Mary Lestrud, Polk County Nutrition Education Program Coordinator, presented a number of handouts that discussed federal money, adult education, youth education, and how the program serves low income families and influences them to choose healthier foods. Mary shared results of a recent survey that showed children were willing to taste new foods, asked for and have been eating more fruits and vegetables. Discussion pursued with committee. Mary requested ideas to better serve citizens in Polk County.

Adjournment: Jepsen moved to adjourn at 12:31 pm; seconded by Johnson.

Submitted by Wendy Rattel, Secretary.