# LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Polk County Government Center 100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin Wednesday, April 13, 2011 9:30am County Board Room

Call to order
Approve Agenda
Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Public Comments

Wildlife Damage Program - Cindy Blonk (discussion/action)

- -David Dittbrenner 2010 Wildlife Damage Claim
- -Program updates

Voucher Review and Financial Reports (discussion/action)

-Sign bill sheet

**Directors Report** (discussion only)

-Other items

#### **Agency Reports**

- -DNR-Forestry/Wildlife
- -NRCS-Keith Zygowicz
- -FSA-Aaron Moore
- -UWEX-Vacant

Committee Observances (discussion only)

Presentation by Staff Person (time permitting)

<u>Adjournment</u>

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## **Polk County Land Conservation Committee**

The Land Conservation Committee met April 13, 2011 in the County Board Room.

Supervisors Present: Dean Johansen, Herschel Brown, Wendy Rattel and Ted Johnson, FSA Rep.

Larry Jepsen was absent.

LWRD Staff: Tim Ritten, Becky Burkhardt and Patti Andersen

Also present: Ed Dittbrenner

Vice Chairman Brown called meeting to order in absence of Johansen at 9:40. Motion (Rattel/ Johnson) to approve the Agenda. Motion (Rattel/Johnson) to approve the March minutes. Both motions carried. Chairman Johansen entered meeting at 9:45.

#### Public Comment. None

<u>Wildlife Damage.</u> Cindy Blonk introduced Eric Fromm who is employed by USDA-APHIS Wildlife Services and does wildlife damage appraisals. She distributed copies of David Dittbrenner's Wildlife Damage Claim in the amount of \$1,303.97. In David's absence, Ed, his father, was present to discuss the claim. Discussion was held as to amount of compensation for David's 2010 wildlife damage.

Ed Dittbrenner also made comments regarding the problem of nuisance wildlife issues.

Motion made (Brown/Johansen) that David Dittbrenner should be compensated \$1,303.97 as presented for his wildlife damage claim. Motion carried unanimously.

**<u>Voucher Review.</u>** Becky Burkhardt handed out the voucher report for committee members to review.

#### Director's Report.

- Staff support spec position has been filled by Patti Andersen.
- Information Education Coordinator/ Water Quality Specialist position received 32 applicants. Hope to score applications this week and arrange interviews soon.
- Ward Lake and Wild Goose Lake final reports have been accepted by DNR.
- The second Japanese Knotweed rapid response grant has been approved.
- Eric continues to meet with farmers in the Farmland Preservation Program to review their soil conservation and nutrient management plans.
- Eric Wojchik and Tim Anderson prepared and submitted the grant application for a Farmland Preservation county-wide planning effort.
- Scott is working on several projects including a new box culvert (bridge) at the millpond in Balsam Lake, a runoff control pond near Bone Lake and projects on Blake and Pipe Lakes.
- Tree packing is planned for the last week in April
- County Conservationists meeting was held Mar 31 Apr 1, DNR & DATCP secretaries gave speeches.

- Department has written a few letters to local producers regarding requirements of proper manure management.
- At the next LCC meeting we may want to consider updates to the Transport Ordinance.
- Annual reports, grant applications, and work plans to implement the Polk County Land & Water Resource Management Plan are all due April 15 at DATCP.

### **Agency Reports** None

**Committee Observances** None

Presentation by staff person None

Motion to adjourn (Brown/Johnson). Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.