

**LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING AGENDA**

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

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

Wildlife Damage Program – (discussion/action)

- Set 2011 Wildlife Damage Program Closure Date
- Program updates

Amendments to the 2012 Proposed Budget – (discussion/action)

Voucher Review and Financial Reports (discussion only)

- Review bill sheet

Director's Report (discussion only)

- Other items

Agency Reports

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

Committee Observances (discussion only)

Presentation by Staff Person (time permitting)

Adjournment

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**Polk County Land Conservation Committee**

*Dean Johansen, Chair    Herschel Brown, Vice Chair    Wendy Rattel, Secretary    Larry Jepsen    Ted Johnson, FSA Rep.*

## Polk County Land Conservation Committee

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The Land Conservation Committee met November 9, 2011 in the County Board Room.

Supervisors Present: Dean Johansen, Herschel Brown, Larry Jepsen, Randy Korb  
Ted Johnson, FSA Rep.

LWRD Staff: Tim Ritten, Becky Burkhardt and Patti Andersen

Others: Cindy Blonk, Burnett County Wildlife Damage Technician  
Keith Zygowicz, USDA, NRCS District Conservationist

Chairman Johansen called the meeting to order at 9:35 am. **Motion (Jepsen/Brown) to approve the agenda; carried. Minutes of the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting approved by consensus.**

**Public Comments.** None

### **Wildlife Damage Program.**

Blonk reviewed the Wildlife Damage Program for Korb. Discussion held on closure date for the program.

**Motion made (Johnson/Brown) to make December 31 the closure date for the Wildlife Damage Program.**

Blonk also updated committee on deer donation program. Same processors will be used as in previous years: Swanks, Amery Meat Market and Van Meters.

### **Amendments to the 2012 Proposed Budget**

Ritten discussed resolution/amendment authorizing Land and Water Resources Department to apply for and receive grants specified in the amendment and which are included in the proposed annual budget for 2012. **Motion made (Jepsen/Brown) to send Land and Water Resources Technical Amendment to the full county board. Carried unanimously.**

**Voucher Review and Financial Reports** Burkhardt handed out the voucher report for committee members to review.

### **Director's Report**

- October 26 several dept. staff educated SCF 2<sup>nd</sup> graders at DD Kennedy.
- October 18th was the Tri-County Soil Judging Contest, held this year in Burnett County. 57 students attended representing 6 schools. Unity won first place, Siren took 2<sup>nd</sup>, Webster 3rd.
- October 19th was the West Central Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Association area meeting in Eau Claire. Many LCC members from a 10 county area attended and the area speaking and poster contest winners were chosen. Polk County had 2 posters go on to the state competition, and one took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the special education division.
- November 2nd Tim R. attended a Lake St. Croix Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Local Implementers meeting held at Interstate Park. The goal of those meetings is to develop an implementation plan for the project to reduce the amount of phosphorus entering Lake St. Croix.

- LWRD staff has been working on finishing the final reports for Coon Lake, Big Butternut and the Aquatic Invasive Species control and Japanese Knotweed control grants.
- Construction of a ½ acre runoff control pond at Pipe Lake has been completed.
- Construction of a small runoff control pond on the west side of Bone Lake is nearly completed.
- LWRD has been collecting bids on a manure storage closure project.
- The manure storage pit failure near Atlas has now completed repairs.
- Bids for the manure pit closure near Clayton are due Nov.9.
- Polk County LWRD has been awarded another Farmer Written Nutrient Management Planning grant.
- County Farmland Preservation Plan planning grant will be fully funded by the state, county reimbursement requests are postponed until July 2012 and the grant and plan deadline until Dec. 2013.
- Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Association (WLWCA) annual meeting will be held in Wisconsin Dells on December 8 - 9

**Agency Report:**

NRSC: Zygowicz stated that payments are now going out for cost-share programs from his office. Also mentioned that office has been receiving many calls on digging up wetlands which he has forwarded to the Department of Natural Resources.

It was decided by committee that instead of all agencies coming to all Land and Water Resources committee meeting, each agency would be a different month to report with a maximum of 10 minute discussion.

**Committee Observances.**

Brown discussed that each committee member needs to take a turn in bringing treats to county meeting. LWRD staff are now supplying treats for all members out of their own pocket. Brown volunteered to supply treats for the December LCC meeting.

**Presentation by Staff Person:**

Ritten reviewed Polk County Land and Water Resources Department's 10 year Land and Water Resource Management Plan.

**Adjournment – Motion (Brown/Jepsen) to adjourn meeting at 11:05. Motion passed.**

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