LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Polk County Government Center 100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin Wednesday, March 10, 2010, 9:30am County Board Room

Call to order

Approve Agenda Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting Public Comments

Agency Reports

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

Wildlife Damage Program - Cindy Blonk

- -Pending wildlife damage claims (discussion/action)
- -Program updates (discussion only)

Non-Metallic Mine Reclamation - Fees (discussion/action)

Voucher Review and Financial Reports (discussion/action)

- -Sign bill sheet
- -2009 budget review

Directors Report (discussion only)

-Other items

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 March 10, 2010 in the County Board Room.

Supervisors Present: Larry Jepsen, Kathryn Kienholz, Diane Stoneking, Dean Johansen and Ted

Johnson, FSA Representative.

LWRD Staff: Tim Ritten and Becky Burkhardt; Rebecca Fredrickson took minutes.

9:43 a.m. Chairman Jepsen called the meeting to order. **Motion (Stoneking/Kienholz) to approve the Agenda. Motion (Johnson/Johansen) to approve the February minutes. Both Motions carried.**

Public Comment. None.

<u>Agency Reports.</u> Janette Cain – DNR Forester, reported the tree sales are really down this year; the delivery date for trees is tentatively set for April 22nd. There will be a Barron County Woodland Owners Spring Workshop April 10th, to be held at the Jack Wagner property in Polk County; anyone is welcome.

Keith Zygowicz – NRCS. Out of 29 requests, 16 applications may be funded by EQIP with an allotment of approximately \$262,000. Chris "Lars" Olson, the new Soil Conservationist, was introduced. May 12th an Envirothon will be held at the Unity School forest. Jeremy Williamson will teach water-stream survey applications; a DNR forester will participate, along with NRCS staff. Unity and Clayton schools have signed up to participate and Clear Lake and Amery may attend.

FSA – Ted Johnson discussed a possible CRP signup, however, no final information is available.

<u>Wildlife Damage.</u> Tim reported Cindy received paperwork late last Friday re a pending wildlife damage claim. This matter will be put on the April LCC agenda, after the documents have been reviewed.

Nonmetallic Mine Reclamation Fees. Discussion of the tremendous additional staff time required to review and process new mine applications for quarry operations (hard rock quarry); compared what other counties are currently charging. Motion (Stoneking/ Kienholz) to approve changing the Reclamation Plan Review Fees for hard rock quarry new mine applications as follows: 1) for a mine in a zoned town, the Plan Review Fee will be \$8,000.00 and 2) for a mine in an unzoned town, the Plan Review Fee will be \$12,000. Motion carried.

<u>Voucher Review and Financial Reports.</u> Motion (Johnson/Kienholz) to approve the voucher report for \$8,941.67. Motion carried. The 2009 budget review was handed out and discussed.

Director's Report.

- WAL The annual meeting will be March 30 April 1, 2010. Jeremy is a presenter.
- Squaw Lake AEA the petition was filed a day early with DATCP.
- Letter of Intent LWRD CCAs working with NRCS re another contribution agreement.
- WALCE Peter and Eric attended the WALCE conference March 3-5. There were many informative sessions and they received useful information.
- Coon Lake Grants the resolution will be voted on at the March county board meeting.

<u>Presentation</u>. Peter DeJardin, Engineering Technician, gave a PowerPoint presentation to the LCC detailing a few LWRD projects: small and large manure pit design and construction, 3 culverts on the Straight River replaced with one culvert 8' x 12' wide x 72' long, and repairing a gully where the washout materials were flowing into the Apple River.

Motion to adjourn (Johnson/Stoneking). Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.
