

**DODGE COUNTY LAND RESOURCES AND PARKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 17, 2018**

The Dodge County Land Resources and Parks Committee met on September 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. on the 1st Floor of the Administration Building, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Chairman Schaefer called the meeting to order. Roll Call was taken. Members present were Joseph Marsik, William Muche, Tom Schaefer and Larry Schraufnagel. Members excused were Jeff Schmitt. The staff present at the request of the Chairman were Bill Ehlenbeck, Nate Olson and Joseph Giebel.

Other County Board members in attendance: **None**

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Update – Planning and Economic Development Activities

Nate Olson provided the Committee with an update on the Planning and Economic Development Activities and the principal duties of the Economic Development Administrator's position. The primary duties of the Economic Development Administrator include administration of the Planning, Farmland Preservation, Tourism, Non-metallic Mining, Parks Planning, Economic Development and the CBDG programs.

The planning programs include facilitating updates and amendments to the County's Comprehensive Plan, assisting towns with zoning ordinances and comprehensive plan updates and providing educational workshops for planning and community development programs.

The Farmland Preservation Program duties include facilitating updates to the Ordinances and Comprehensive Plan maps to keep the County eligible for the farmland preservation program credits, assisting the towns with participation in the program and development and creation of agricultural enterprise areas.

Nate currently administers the County's Non-Metallic Mining Reclamation Program for the County. Reclamation plans and financial assurance is required for all mines over 1-acre in size. The plans address what will be done to the site, what the site will be reclaimed to and what financial guarantees will be provided to ensure the reclamation will be completed. He is in the process of training Terry Ochs to administer the program duties as part of the Department changes.

Nate and Karen Boyd have taken on the responsibility for the administration of the Tourism programs for the County. They currently assist with the development of the Visitor Guide, the Web Site and the Digital Advertising programs.

Park Planning responsibilities include updates to the County's Park Plans and the writing of grant applications. Park Plans are updated periodically in order to keep the County eligible for park and recreational grants. He also assists with the writing of grant applications and is involved with the Gold Star Memorial Trail project.

Economic Development duties include working with Jefferson County – Thrive Ed program. He is currently working on County and Community preparedness which involves the mapping of

community assets and addressing the obstacles to obtaining permits for development. He assists with the maintenance of the Website listings of building and site availability. He collaborates with community leaders and business owners on labor availability, business retention and expansion projects.

Nate also provided the Committee with an update on the status of the current CDBG revolving loan fund loans and discussed the possible changes that may be made to the program in the near future.

PUBLIC HEARING

Kraus Grain Farms LLC, agent for John Kraus and Melisa Mace for a Conditional Use Permit under the Shoreland Protection Ordinance, Dodge County, Wisconsin to allow dredging within a navigable waterway associated with the clean out of an agricultural drainage ditch and the replacement of existing tile lines. The property is located in part of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼, Section 1, Town of Calamus.

Motion by William Muche to approve the request to allow dredging within a navigable waterway associated with the clean out of an agricultural drainage ditch and the replacement of existing tile lines subject to the following conditions:

1. It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to obtain all other permits or approvals that may be required (e.g., Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and/or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers) for the proposed project;
2. The clean-out project shall not exceed the original dimensions of the ditch (no increase in depth or bottom width), although sideslopes may be flatter than the original sideslopes if necessary to conform with modern erosion-control practices, provided that the sideslopes are not flatter than 2:1 (horizontal to vertical);
3. All disturbed areas shall be leveled and graded (as needed) and seeded to permanent vegetation as soon as possible to prevent erosion of silt/sediment into the waterway;
4. All work shall be done in accord with the plans and specifications submitted on August 20, 2018;
5. The decision of the Committee is valid for one year.

Second by Joseph Marsik

Vote 4-0 Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION

1. The minutes from the September 10, 2018 meeting were reviewed by the Committee.

Motion by Larry Schraufnagel to approve the minutes as written.

Second by William Muche

Vote: 4-0 Motion carried.

2. No Committee Member Reports


3. No additional Per Diems

Motion by order of the Chairman to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joseph Marsik, Secretary

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