

The Dodge County Land and Water Conservation Committee met on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 8:15 A.M., in the First Floor Conference Rooms, Rooms 1F & 1G, Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

1. Meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Bischoff at 8:23 a.m.
2. Members present: William Foley, William Muche, Lisa Derr, Larry Bischoff, Dale Macheel, Allen Behl and James Qualmann.

Others present: Other staff and non-committee members included John Bohonek, County Conservationist, Anthony Johnson with NRCS, Matt Peplinski with FSA and Becky Justmann, LWCD.
3. No public comment.
4. A motion was made by James Qualmann and seconded by Allen Behl to approve the March 25, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.
5. Other Agency monthly updates.
 - Anthony Johnson, Natural Resource Conservation Service
 - Continuing the 2019 EQUIP applications.
 - Working on the annual compliance reviews.
 - Will be holding a Grazing workshop in Jefferson County.
 - Matt Peplinski, Farm Service Agency
 - Annual crop reporting due 7/15/19.
 - Dairy Margin Protection Program.
 - Annual County board elections.
 - Re-organization of NRCS managers. Each manager will have more than one office.
6. Bills and Revenue were reviewed by John Bohonek.
7. Farmland Preservation Software Program.
 - No change since last month.
 - Office is working with the Demo.
8. Well Testing Program.
 - Town of Beaver Dam and Burnett are in agreement for testing.
 - Working on the final dates and time for drop off and pickup.
 - Will be sending letters out the last week of May.

- Discussion on forming a Ground Water Committee is moving forward. Other departments and private sectors will be involved. The committee will have an advisory role and will make recommendations.
- Committee reviewed the data from UW Stevens Point regarding past well testing in Dodge County. Lisa Derr will be contacting Kevin with UW Stevens Point with specific questions regarding the results and information about what other Counties have done.
- Committee discussed how to get more people testing their wells.

9. Animal Waste Ordinance Violations.

- The Clyman violation property is for sale. LWCD received a call from possible buyer regarding what would need to be done to put into compliance. John will be following up.
- Town of Lowell violation owner has been contacted and they are talking with their Engineer. LWCD has not heard back from them.

10. Summer Intern.

- Two interviews were held.
- John B will be contacting one of them today to offer the internship.
- The internship is for 800 hours.

11. Farmer Led Group – HSHW

- Farmer Led Group is continuing to move forward.
- They held a workshop on April 3, 2019 in LeRoy. This is the first workshop held in that part of the County. Around 80 plus people in attendance.
- They are planning an event for June.
- John B attended their farmer board meeting. He spoke with them regarding grant reimbursement and the procedure for them to request the reimbursement.

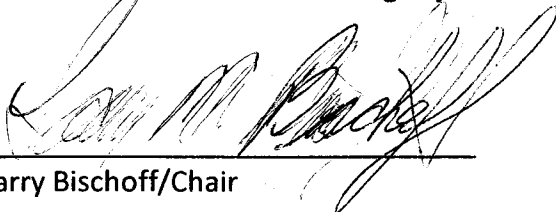
12. Tree Sale Update.

- The tree pickup was delayed due to weather.
- The nursery is unable to fill our order for Hazelnut trees due to the winter weather. John was able to locate another nursery to get the rest to fill our orders.
- LWCD will be picking up the trees on May 6th and 7th.
- Orders are scheduled to be picked up on May 8th and 9th at the Dodge County Fairgrounds.

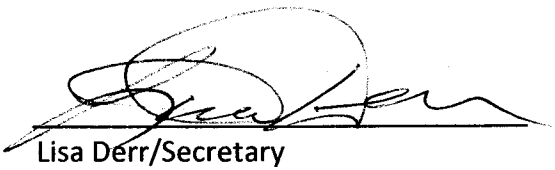
13. Committee Member Reports.

- Lake Sinissippi District – Bill Muche
 - Meeting was held April 16, 2019.
 - A carp bow shooting event is scheduled for April 27, 2019.

- Anthony Island has 180 feet of shoreline yet to be completed.
 - Working with HSHW group for planning an Ag 101 event for Lake property owners.
 - Outreach program for schools for education on water quality.
 - Depending on funds they will be possibly cleaning up 2 sites that have sediment traps.
 - Will continue to work on boat launch project.
- Beaver Dam Lake – William Foley
 - Attended the Wisconsin Lake Conference held in Stevens Point.
 - The DNR has asked 10 people to be a part of the Healthy Lakes Program. Bill Foley was asked to be a part of this.
 - Tim O’Leary with Columbia County came and toured Beaver Creek.
 - BDLDC is putting a plan together to put Skunk Island back to its natural habitat this spring.
- Fox Lake District – Dale Macheel
 - Meeting was held April 11, 2019.
 - Discussion regarding their sewer system.
 - Helping with the planning of the Ag 101 event with the other Lake Groups.
 - Planning a social event at the Fox Lake Golf Course.
 - Continued discussion regarding a landowners offer for the district to rent his land.
 - Lake Management Plan update.
14. A motion was made to approve the Per Diems by Lisa Derr and seconded by Allen Behl. Motion carried.
15. Next meeting will be May 20, 2019 at 8:15 a.m.
16. A motion to adjourn meeting was made by Allen Behl and seconded by Dale Macheel. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am.



Larry Bischoff/Chair



Lisa Derr/Secretary