

MINUTES
DECEMBER 21st, 2020 – 9:30 A.M.
LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE OF
OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER SOUTH
ROOM 1389B
301 WASHINGTON STREET
OCONTO, WI 54153
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COMMITTEE PRESENT: Kroll, Kamke, Allen, Wahl, Schindel, Matravers

COMMITTEE ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: County Conservationist Dolata, Program Assistant Wilcox, Oconto County Lakes & Waterways Association President Heimerman, Corporation Counsel Ellingson

TIME MEETING BEGAN: 9:30 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda
A. Change of Agenda

B. Removal of Items

Motion by Allen, second by Schindel to approve the agenda. The motion was voted on and carried.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (Enc.)
Motion by Kamke, second by Matravers to approve the minutes from the November 16th, 2020 Land & Water Conservation Committee meeting. The motion was voted on and carried.
3. Communications (Enc.)
County Conservationist Dolata reviewed the December 2020 Department of Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection Report.

Short discussion was held on the Embracing the benefits of aquatic plants pamphlet that was included in meeting packets.
4. Chapter 33 Protection & Rehabilitation District Review
Corporation Counsel Ellingson and County Conservationist Dolata discussed with the committee the requirements that are needed to be met and changes that will be made moving forward on procedures for appointing individuals to Lake Rehabilitation & Planning District Boards and to meet Chapter 33 of Wisconsin State Statutes requirements.
5. County Cost Share Contract(s)
Motion by Matravers, second by Allen to approve the contract for Nancy Kasella for Riparian Buffer in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion was voted on and carried.
6. County Cost Share Payment(s)
Motion by Wahl, second by Schindel to approve the payments for Greg Blaser for attending 12/14/19 nutrient management education course, producing a nutrient management plan and completing soil sampling in the amount of \$1,505.00, Dominic DeAmicis for Streambank and Shoreline Protection in the amount of \$2,500.00, Marianne Rider for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$440.00, Peter Golden for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$625.00, Joe Biese for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$782.00, Gail Golden for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$148.00, Tom VanDenBogart for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$576.00, Greg Leiterman for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$845.00 and David Singer for Shoreline Restoration in the amount of \$192.00. Motion was voted on and carried.
7. Soil & Water Resource Management Contract(s)
Motion by Matravers second by Wahl to approve the contract for Gabriel & Sandra Hintz for Barnyard Runoff Control Systems in the amount of \$5,961.00. Motion was voted on and carried.

8. Soil & Water Resource Management Payment(s)
Motion by Schindel, second by Allen to approve the payment for Oconto County Highway Department for grade stabilization project in the amount of \$49,900.00. Motion was voted on and carried.
9. Oconto County Healthy Waters Cost Share Contract(s)
NONE
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NONE
11. Northern Pike Contract(s)
NONE
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Motion by Kamke, second by Wahl to approve the payment for Chris Volk for Culvert Replacement in the amount of \$3,292.50. Motion was voted on and carried.
13. Department of Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection Soil & Water Resource Management 2020-2021 Extension Request
Motion by Allen, second by Matravers to approve 2020-2021 extension request and submit to the Department of Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection. Motion was voted on and carried.
14. Lake Michigan Area Conservation Association Virtual Meeting, January 8th 2021
Motion by Kamke, second by Schindel to approve that whomever would like to attend the virtual meeting may. Motion was voted on and carried.
15. Lumberjack Resource, Conservation & Development Meeting, January 14th 2021, Forest County
Motion by Wahl, second by Kroll to approve attending the meeting which is now being held virtually may. Motion was voted on and carried.
16. Oconto County Lakes & Waterways Association Report
Oconto County Lakes & Waterways Association President Heimerman reported to the committee the Citizen's Advisory Committee will be meeting on January 20th, 2021 with the appropriate departments to hold a "brain-storming session" looking at the feasibility of a Citizen's Advisory Committee to help assist municipalities with recreation and tourism development.
17. United States Department of Ag Natural Resource Conservation Service Report
NONE
18. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Oconto County Forester Report
County Conservationist Dolata presented to the committee a quick email update sent from Forester Kaufman stating that they have completed another round of mailings to offer assistance to landowners effected by the July 2019 storm, they have been working on timber sale establishment for the spring bid opening, they received a grant to treat invasive species, some staff was sent to assist with the fires in California and that they were extremely short on help due to immense need and COVID, that confirmed cases of Emerald Ash Borer was located in Oconto County this past summer likely widespread from Morgan to Stiles and some near Peshtigo, timber markets are in low demand, a Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association virtual meeting was held with great success and they will be working at home or in the woods until spring due to COVID.
19. United States Department of Ag Farm Service Agency Report
Farm Service Representative Allen reported to the committee on the Farm Service Agency that they are currently experiencing phone problems and are hoping to have it resolved soon.
20. Review Prior Months Vendor Payments
The Land & Water Conservation Committee reviewed the November accounts payable and employee reimbursement vouchers.
21. Information Items Only
NONE

22. Set Next Meeting Date
Date of next meeting: January 18th, 2021
Time of next meeting: 9:30 a.m.
23. Adjournment
Motion by Kamke, second by Wahl to adjourn meeting at 10:22 a.m. The motion was voted on and carried.

Rachel Wilcox, Recorder

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