

MINUTES
FEBRUARY 21, 2022 – 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 54153-1699
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COMMITTEE PRESENT: Kroll, Kamke, Schindel, Allen

COMMITTEE ABSENT: Matravers, Wahl

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

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 agenda. Motion was voted on and carried.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (Enc.)

Motion by Kamke, second by Allen to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2022 Land & Water Conservation Committee meeting. Motion was voted on and carried.
3. Communications (Enc.)

County Conservationist Dolata and the committee discussed the February 2022 Department of Ag, Trade and Consumers Protection Report.
4. County Cost Share Contract(s)

Motion by Allen, second by Schindel to approve the contracts for Schuettpelz Family Cottage LLC/Lavone Suring (Chute Pond) for Shoreline Restoration cost share in the amount of \$650.00 and Chris Carani (Round Lake) for Shoreline Restoration cost share in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion was voted on and carried.
5. County Cost Share Payment(s)

NONE
6. Soil & Water Resource Management Contract(s)

NONE
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NONE
8. Oconto County Healthy Waters Cost Share Contract(s)

NONE
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Motion by Schindel, second by Kroll to approve the payment for White Potato Lake/Rick Turtenwald for Early Detection and Response (White Potato Lake) final payment in the amount of \$944.00. Motion was voted on and carried.
10. Northern Pike Contract(s)

NONE
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NONE

12. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Damage Deer Donation Payment
Motion by Schindel, second by Kamke to approve the payment to Hillcrest Meat Processing-8 deer were processed @ \$80.00 per deer, payment in the amount of \$640.00. Motion was voted on and carried.
13. 2022 Cooperative Service Agreement between Oconto County and United States Department of Agriculture Animal Health Inspection (APHIS) Wildlife Services (WS)
Motion by Allen, second by Schindel to approve agreement and payment in the amount of \$1,000.00 for bear damage control. Motion was voted on and carried.
14. Natural Resource Damage Assessment Project
Motion by Kamke, second by Allen to approve using up to \$20,000.00 from the Conservation In-kind account to complete the remaining Natural Resource Damage projects that wouldn't be covered completely with grant funds. Motion was voted on and carried.
15. Lumberjack Resource, Conservation & Development Meeting, January 27, 2022, Vilas County Recap
County Conservationist Dolata and supervisors who attended updated supervisors who were unable to attend.
16. WI Land & Water Conservation Association Board Nominations Review and Vote
Motion by Allen, second by Schindel to reviewed nominations for the Land & Water Conservation Board and selected 3 candidates, Thomas Mandli, Monte Osterman and Russell Rindsig. Motion was voted on and carried.
17. United States Department of Ag Farm Service Agency Representation on Land & Water Conservation Committee
County Conservationist Dolata informed the committee of the recent opinion from the Farm Service Agency regarding the Farm Service Agency Representative serving on the Land & Water Conservation Committee and discussed what the possible options are. County Conservationist Dolata and Corporation Counsel Ellingson will discuss the options and come back to the committee after the April committee reorganization.
18. Oconto County Lakes & Waterways Association Update
President Heimerman updated the committee on the Oconto Sportsmen's Club project with extra funding available due to coming in under budget they were able to complete 1,200 feet of rip rap on the shoreline of the Oconto River, he met with the Townsend Flowage Association and discussed the next steps on addressing and enforcing the "no wake" issue.
19. Timberland Invasive Species Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator Update
NONE
20. Forest, Langlade & Oconto Waterways Coordinator Update
Derek Thorn updated the committee that he is working on an Early Detection and Response grant with Amanda Smith the Regional Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator for Oconto County focusing on European Frogbit collaboration efforts with the Michigan European Frogbit collaborative group to expand education and outreach efforts as well as a some removal, had a meeting with Ken Dolata, Steve Heimerman and Brenda Nordin to learn more about Oconto Counties county wide lake projects and how other counties can participate, reached out to members of the Oconto County Lakes & Waterways Association to learn what each lake has for towel inventory for this year's drain campaign and landing blitz outreach events also sent out and email to association members to see if there is any interest in holding a Citizens Lake Monitoring Network Training at their April 30, 2022 meeting with members of White Potato Lake expressing interest so far, helping Amanda Smith kick off her dock service provider outreach project in Oconto County and presented at the Timberland Invasive Partnership's steering committee on Florence, Langlade and Oconto Waterways coordinators first year with the Lake Monitoring & Planning Network and the collaboration with Oconto County including European Frogbit and the butterfly dock work.
21. United States Department of Ag Natural Resource Conservation Service Report
NONE
22. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Oconto County Forester Report
NONE
23. United States Department of Ag Farm Service Agency Report
NONE
24. Review Prior Months Vendor Payments
The Land & Water Conservation Committee reviewed the January 2022 accounts payable and employee reimbursement vouchers.

25. Information Items Only
County Conservationist Dolata informed the committee of 2 violations of the Oconto County Animal Waste Ordinance. Letters will be sent to the landowners in order to try and resolve the violations.
26. Set Next Meeting Date
Date of next meeting: March 21, 2022
Time of next meeting: 9:30 a.m.
27. Adjournment
Chair Kroll called to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

Rachel Wilcox, Recorder

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