## **AGENDA**



# Land Conservation Committee Wednesday November 17, 2021 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533

Iowa County Wisconsin

# Remote attendance option:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82971644124

Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 829 7164 4124

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	Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.						
1	Call to Order						
2	Roll Call						
3	Approve the agenda for this November 17, 2021 meeting						
4	Approve the minutes of the October 27, 2021 meeting						
5	Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the Committee. No action will be taken.						
6	NRCS update						
7	Blackhawk Lake Commission update						
8	Birch Lake dredging update from Friends of Birch Lake-Doug Carden						
9	Discussion of FPP fee for appeals or compliance enforcement						
10	Approve Farmland Preservation Program Notices of Non-Compliance						
11	Cost share project approvals						
12	Land Conservation Department updates:  A) Valve repair progress  B) Plans for addressing issues with basic nutrient and soil best management practices						
13	Agenda items for future meetings: FPP Notices of Non-compliance						
14	Motion to set the next meeting date and adjourn						
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# UNAPPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday October 27, 2021 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533

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### Meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Gollon at 1:00pm

**Roll Call.** Members present: Ron Benish, Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Dave Gollon, Don Leix, and Dan Nankee. Absent: Jason James Others present: Katie Abbott, Landon Baumgartner (via zoom), Dave Terrall, Al Jewell

**Approve the agenda for this October 27, 2021 meeting:** Sup. Butteris made a motion to approve this October 27, 2021 agenda. Sup. Benish seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Approve the minutes of the September 22, 2021 meeting:** Sup. Benish made a motion to approve the September 22, 2021 minutes. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken. Sup. Nankee recognized the service of former committee member Rod Anding. Discussion of at-large and FSA positions on the Committee. The Committee observed a moment of silence for Larry Steffes at the recommendation of Mr. Bunker.

**NRCS update:** Ms. Abbott shared the announcement provided by Andy Walsh regarding the November 19, 2021 and May 20, 2022 EQIP signup deadlines.

Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program: Approval of 2022 budget and 2021 crop prices-Dave Terrall (USDA Wildlife Services): Mr. Terrall described the program and 2022 budget proposal. Sup. Benish moved to approve the 2022 budget. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried. Discussion of 2021 crop prices and harvest date. Sup. Butteris made a motion to accept the 2021 crop prices as proposed. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Motion carried. Sup. Nankee made a motion to set the 90% harvest date for December 15. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Appeal of Notice of Noncompliance by Al Jewell:** Mr. Jewell provided a handout and information on his plans. Discussion of possible solution and timeline. The NON can be cancelled if the storage repurpose is completed by the end of the year. The repurpose will require a permit and technical review.

Birch Lake update: valve repair, possible update from FOBLA/Doug Carden: Mr. Carden was not available and plans to provide an update at the November meeting. Ms. Abbott gave an update on the valve repair and plans for accomplishing the repair next year. Sup. Leix moved to direct the LCD to approach Jewell Engineering about being the consulting engineer for the project. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Sup. Gollon abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Consider Upper Sugar River Watershed Association (USRWA) proposal for regional invasive species coordination (year 2): Sup. Benish made a motion to approve the agreement and use of DNR funding. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Blackhawk Lake Commission update:** The park has several projects in progress or planned, including electrical site upgrades, shower house improvements, and parking lot seal coating.

**Approval of cost-share transfer:** Sup. Benish made a motion to approve the transfer of SEG Funds from Richland to Iowa County. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consider approval of CREP management plan update for Bob Ley: Sup. Benish made a motion to approve the updated plan. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Discussion of possible fee for FPP appeals:** Sup. Gollon discussed need to cover time of LCD staff to follow up on noncompliance issues, and possible fee options. Discussion of past NONs and fee information from DATCP. Ms. Abbott will check with Corp. Counsel and get back to the Committee.

Land Conservation Department update: 2022 Budget update: Ms. Abbott provided an update on expense cuts and fee increases in the 2022 budget proposal that occurred after the last LCC Meeting.

**Agenda items for future meetings:** FOBLA update, FPP NON, FPP appeals fee, NMP implementation issues

**Motion to set the next meeting date and adjourn.** The next meeting date was set for Wednesday November 17, 2021 at 1:00pm. Mr. Bunker made a motion to adjourn. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm.

FPP Notices of Non-compliance: November 2021							
Name	NR 151 Standard not met	Date of initial letter	Background	Amount received in credit			
Bruce & Kevin Nelson, Barbara Ewing, and Karen Fritsch	Compliant NMP with current soil tests accounting for all acres	10/30/2020	Routine FPP visit found that an NMP update was needed with current soil tests and a missing 50 acres added. An offer of cost-share and an invitation to class was extended. No response from landowner.	\$ 2,195.00			
Roy Bettner	Compliant NMP	11/2/2020	Routine FPP visit showed several fields planted to a different crop than planned in NMP. New plan needed for 2021 to account for these changes and adjust nutrient rates for future crops.	\$ 5,242.00			
Ralph and Mary Jean James	Manure Storage Overflow & Manure Stacking in a WQMA	9/9/2021	Received routine visit 9/8/21. Two storages were overflowing and manure was stacked in a Water Quality Management Area. Staff was unable to safely reach the stream area to determine possible direct flow/significant discharge. Two schedules of compliance were set: one month to address overflow and stacking, one year for clean water diversions to be installed over heifer lot alley. Follow up visit on 10/21/21 showed one-month compliance was not met.	\$ 1,500.00			

Land Conservation Cost-share Projects for Approval 11-17-2021							
			<b>Estimated cost-</b>				
Landowner name	Township	Practice	share amount				
Soft practices (SEG funding)							
Alan and Jolene Kolb	Moscow	Cover Crops-204.3 ac	\$5,107.50				
Billy Bahr	Pulaski	Cover Crops-60.75	\$1,518.75				
Hard practices (Bond or MDV funding)							
Ryan Lee	Mifflin	Stream Crossing	\$2,547.85				
Jim and Debra Fleischmann	Clyde	Well Decommission	\$1,084.65				
Restore Brisbane (Sam Crownover)	Arena	Well Decommission	\$892.50				
Bruce Cornish	Linden	Manure Storage Closure	\$1,400.00				