

	APPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday December 22, 2021 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533 Remote attendance option: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87140864475 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 871 4086 4475	Iowa County Wisconsin
Meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Gollon at 1:05pm		
Roll Call. Members present: Ron Benish, Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Dave Gollon, Don Leix, Dan Nankee. Absent: Jason James Others present: Katie Abbott, Landon Baumgartner (via zoom)		
Approve the agenda for this December 22, 2021 meeting: Sup. Leix made a motion to approve this December 22, 2021 agenda. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Approve the minutes of the November 17, 2021 meeting: Mr. Bunker made a motion to approve the November 17, 2021 minutes. Sup. Benish 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 shared information on the federal infrastructure plan funding for dam repair or removal, and reported on a meeting about Extension ag agents and the regionalization of positions.		
NRCS update: None provided		
Blackhawk Lake Commission update: Sups. Benish and Leix reported that electrical upgrades were complete and restroom and shower upgrades are in progress. Discussion of ATV/UTV routes, contributions to the Blackhawk Lake dam fund, and permissions required by the agreement.		
Approve Farmland Preservation Program Notices of Noncompliance: Ms. Abbott provided an updated list of Notices of Noncompliance (NONs); discussion of compliance issues. Sup. Benish made a motion to issue a NON to Jim March. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried. Sup. Benish made a motion to issue a NON to Lois Powell trust and Ted & Barb Sawle. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Sup. Nankee moved to issue NONs for the eleven others on the list due to not turning in self-certifications. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Discussion of potential new FPP fee and current/future enforcement process: Ms. Abbott and Mr. Baumgartner provided a flowchart and memo regarding current enforcement steps and new plans to improve the process. Discussion of compliance process, fees, and need a landowner form to provide permission for staff to work directly with a renter and/or CCA. Mr. Bunker made a motion to move forward with the recommendations in the memo. Sup. Benish seconded the motion. Motion carried.		

Land Conservation Department update: Ms. Abbott provided Department updates.

- A) **Birch Lake valve repair:** discussion of dredging project, valve replacement, and leaking of the valve. Staff will keep an eye on the valve and the lake level until the valve can be replaced.
- B) **Outdoor Recreation Plan:** Ms. Abbott went over the list of potential projects at the Bloomfield property.
- C) **Recent outreach efforts:** discussion of latest newsletter and recent webinar
- D) **Land+Water meetings and conference:** Ms. Abbott provided information from the recent County Conservationist meeting and about reducing staff and committee registrations at the upcoming Land+Water conference due to budget cuts.
- E) **Groundwater study report timing:** Ms. Abbott reported that the report is not finished yet, but County staff and researchers will meet in late January to get an update and plan for the public and media release.

Agenda items for future meetings: Outdoor Recreation Plan w/ SWWRPC, youth poster contest results, LCD annual report and 2022 work plan, Department policy reviews, DNR Municipal Dam Grant resolution

Motion to set the next meeting date and adjourn. The next meeting date was set for Wednesday January 19, 2022 at 1:00 PM. Sup. Leix made a motion to adjourn. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:12pm.