

	APPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday March 22, 2023 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533 Remote attendance option: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89428144134 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 894 2814 4134	Iowa County Wisconsin
Meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Gollon at 1:00 pm		
Roll Call. Members present: Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Roger Geisking, Dave Gollon, Tim Harrington, Darrell Kreul, Don Leix, and Peter Vanderloo. Others present: Katie Abbott, Dave Terrall		
Approve the agenda for this March 22, 2023 meeting: Sup. Leix made a motion to approve this March 22, 2023 agenda. Sup. Geisking seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Approve the minutes of the January 25, 2023 meeting: Mr. Bunker made a motion to approve the January 25, 2023 minutes. Sup. Butteris 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. None		
NRCS update: none provided		
Blackhawk Lake Commission update: At the March meeting the Commission discussed the dam fund, fishing limits, parking lot repairs, and the June 12 concrete canoe engineering competition. Discussion of audit expenses.		
Wildlife Damage Abatement program (Dave Terrall): Approve 2022 Wildlife Damage Claims and Approve 2022 Harvest Waivers: Mr. Terrall presented the claims summary and list of harvest waiver requests. Discussion of challenges with CWD, lack of woodland near some farms, and funding sources. Sup. Kreul made a motion to approve the wildlife damage claims and harvest waivers. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Consider groundwater program proposal: Ms. Abbott presented the Land Conservation Department's proposal for use of the groundwater funding. Discussion of well testing, well casing, and specific components of the proposal. Sup. Leix made a motion to approve the proposal with the following changes: septic system cost-share will be limited to 30% up to \$5,000; maximum cost-share of \$7,500 if well replacement and well abandonment are combined; and funding for nutrient management plans and nitrogen use efficiency assessments will be prioritized based on water quality needs. Sup. Geisking seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Land Conservation Department updates: Ms. Abbott provided the following updates: A) Birch Lake repairs: bidding has been unsuccessful but the projects will be re-bid B) Legislative updates: WI Land and Water Association has two budget priorities: county conservation staffing and Farmland Preservation Program updates. They ask LCC members to attend budget hearings or reach out to their representatives to support these items. C) 2022 Lake Monitoring and Protection Network (aquatic invasive species) report: the report was provided in the packets for informational purposes		

Agenda items for future meetings: Birch Lake bid selection, CREP landowner management plan approval

Motion to set the next meeting and adjourn. The next meeting date was set for Wednesday April 26 at 1:00 PM in the HHS Community Room. Sup. Kreul made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:04 pm.