

	APPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday December 20, 2023 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533 Remote attendance option: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83507517512 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 835 0751 7512	Iowa County Wisconsin
Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Leix at 1:03 pm		
Roll Call. Members present: Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Roger Geisking, Dave Gollon (arrived late), Darrell Kreul, Don Leix, and Peter Vanderloo. Others present: Katie Abbott, Tony Pillow, Jasmine Wyant, Ross Dewitt, Scott Godfrey, Jake Tarrell, Paul Ohlrogge, Stosh Potocki, Larry Bierke		
Approve the agenda for this December 20, 2023 meeting: Sup. Kreul made a motion to approve this December 20, 2023 agenda. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Approve the minutes of the October 25, 2023 meeting: Sup. Geisking made a motion to approve the October 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. Ms. Abbott provided an update that Mr. Harrington is no longer the FSA designee for the committee. Mr. Bunker mentioned a proposed bill about FPP eligibility and solar panels.		
Introduce new Conservation Technician: Tony Pillow: Mr. Pillow introduced himself		
NRCS update: None provided		
Blackhawk Lake Commission update: Sup. Kreul reported that the commission discussed number of dogs allowed per campsite, work on the shower renovation, and work on the beach wall		
Consider approval of County Farm master planning proposal: Discussion of renters, leases, future of CRP contracts, security, and facilitation. Sup. Geisking made a motion to approve the proposal. Sup. Butteris seconded. Motion carried; Mr. Vanderloo abstained from voting.		
USRWA invasive species update and retroactive approval of agreement: Ms. Wyant provided an update and report on the AIS program and activities. Discussion of boat cleaning, tool library, and grant resources. Mr. Vanderloo made a motion to approve the Cooperative Service Agreement. Sup. Kreul seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Cost-share project approvals: Discussion of project specifics and water quality benefits. Mr. Vanderloo made a motion to approve all projects as presented. Sup. Geisking seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Consensus to skip to agenda item 13: Approve Farmland Preservation Program Notices of Noncompliance: Ms. Abbott provided the list of noncompliant landowners. Mr. Bunker made a motion to approve the Notices of Noncompliance. Sup. Kreul seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Consider Birch Lake Dam repairs bid: discussion of costs, funding options, and water drawdown issues. Sup. Gollon made a motion to delay action, have staff and consulting engineer explore options to lower costs, and bring back in January. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried.		

Land Conservation Department updates:

- A) Staffing update: the final vacant position has been filled, and the new staff will start on January second.

Motion to set the next meeting and adjourn. The next meeting date was set for Wednesday January 24, 2024 at 1:00 PM. Sup. Kreul made a motion to adjourn. Sup. Geisking seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.