

## APPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday January 24, 2024 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/81464210938 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 814 6421 0938

## Meeting was called to order by Chair Gollon at 1:01 pm

**Roll Call.** Members present: Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Roger Geisking, Dave Gollon, Darrell Kreul, and Don Leix Excused: Peter Vanderloo. Others present: Katie Abbott, Tony Pillow, Ross Dewitt, John Meyers, Dan Nankee (zoom)

**Approve the agenda for this January 24, 2024 meeting:** Sup. Leix made a motion to approve this January 24, 2024 agenda. Sup. Geisking seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Approve the minutes of the December 20, 2023 meeting:** Sup. Butteris made a motion to approve the December 20, 2023 minutes. Sup. Geisking 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. Butteris received an email about Hollandale Phosphorus trading. Sup. Nankee mentioned an article about drone use for hunting. Discussion of new combined management of FSA with Iowa and Lafayette Counties

NRCS update: None provided

Blackhawk Lake Commission update: None; they did not meet in January

**Birch Lake repairs and bid decision:** Ms. Abbott and Mr. Pillow provided updated information about the bid and repair requirements. Discussion of timeframe for using grant funding. Sup. Butters made a motion to reject the bid and have staff work with DNR on grant options. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consider update to cost-share ranking to include compliance issues: Ms. Abbott and Mr. Pillow provided proposed updates to the ranking sheet to address compliance issues. Sup. Kreul made a motion to approve the changes. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Review NRCS Memorandum of Agreement:** Discussion of information and vehicle sharing. Sup. Leix made a motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consider NMP rate increase and cover crop cost-share guidance change: Sup. Geisking made a motion to allow cover crop cost-share on fields that had used cover crops in the past if funding is left after October 1. Sup. Kreul seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sup. Butteris made a motion to increase the NMP payment to \$8/ac/yr and to review each January. Sup. Kreul seconded the motion. Sup. Geisking abstained from voting. Motion carried.

## **Land Conservation Department updates:**

- **A)** Bloomfield planning public input sessions Ms. Abbott provided the session schedule; discussion of comments that supervisors have received.
- **B)** Land+Water Annual Conference: The conference registration is due Feb 3; any interested LCC members should let Katie know soon.

**Motion to set the next meeting and adjourn.** The next meeting date was set for Wednesday February 28, 2024 at 1:00 PM. Sup. Geisking made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:04pm.