

	APPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday December 16, 2020 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533 Remote attendance option: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86430498995 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 864 3049 8995	Iowa County Wisconsin
Meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Gollon at 1:00 pm.		
Roll Call. Members present: Rod Anding (via Zoom), Ron Benish, Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Dave Gollon, Don Leix (via Zoom), and Dan Nankee. Members excused: Roger Dax Others present: Katie Abbott, Landon Baumgartner (via Zoom), Dave Morzenti, Craig Hardy, Sup. John Meyers, and Bob Ley.		
Approve the agenda for this December 16, 2020 meeting: Sup. Nankee made a motion to approve this December 16, 2020 agenda. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Approve the minutes of the November 18, 2020 meeting: Sup. Benish made a motion to approve the November 18, 2020 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 shared an article about dam removal called “Maintain or Drain” from the Legion Magazine. Mr. Anding shared a Wisconsin State Journal article about a partnership between Dairy Business Association, Clean Wisconsin, The Nature Conservancy, and WI Land+Water Association to advocate for meaningful state-level policy changes that support clean water and resilient farms. Sup. Gollon shared a news release about president-elect Biden’s agenda related to conservation, the Farm Bill, and CAFOs.		
NRCS update: no update was provided		
Blackhawk Lake Commission update: Sup. Leix reported that the Commission hired an assistant park manager and plan to update their mowers.		
FPP Non-compliance appeal by Bob Ley: Mr. Ley presented his request to appeal his FPP notice of non-compliance related to his Nutrient Management Plan. Mr. Baumgartner provided background. Discussion re: progress to date, timeline, and eligibility for next buyer. Sup. Benish made a motion to grant an extension until the end of January 2021. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
FPP Notices of Non-Compliance: Ms. Abbott and Mr. Baumgartner presented the list of 2020 FPP Notices of non-compliance due to lack of self-certification forms. Mr. Bunker made a motion to approve the NONs if the paperwork is not received by December 20, 2020. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried.		

Convene in closed session per Wis. Statute 19.85(1)(g): Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. (Blackhawk Lake Recreation Area operations agreement): Sup. Benish made a motion to convene in closed session. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Present: Rod Anding (via Zoom), Ron Benish, Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Dave Gollon, Don Leix (via Zoom), Dan Nankee, Katie Abbott, Dave Morzenti, Craig Hardy, and Sup. John Meyers. Closed session began at 1:23pm.

Convene in open session: Sup. Nankee made a motion to convene in open session. Sup. Butteris seconded the motion. Motion carried. Open session began at 2:01pm.

Discussion of next steps for Blackhawk Lake Recreation Area operations agreement: Sup. Leix made a motion to send the letter and draft agreement to the Blackhawk Lake Commission. Mr. Anding seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cost-share project approvals: Ms. Abbott presented a list of cost-share projects for approval. Sup. Benish made a motion to approve the projects. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Land Conservation Department updates:

- a) Targeted Runoff Grant: Ms. Abbott reported that Land Conservation Targeted Runoff Management Grant application was approved by DNR, and she will be applying for some additional staff funding for TRM implementation from DNR by the 18th.
- b) Birch Lake dam repair: Ms. Abbott reported that she submitted the permit application for the Birch Lake dam repairs.

Agenda items for future meetings: FPP Extension requests, Youth poster contest judging, LCD annual report and 2021 work plan. Friends of Birch Lake should report to the Committee sometime in Spring of 2021 with an update.

Motion to set the next meeting date and adjourn. The next meeting date was set for Wednesday January 20, 2021 at 1:00pm. Mr. Anding made a motion to adjourn. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Motion carried.