



## LAND INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

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### MEETING OF THE LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2012 LAND INFORMATION CONFERENCE ROOM

**Members Present:** Ted Sauve, Alice Baumgarten, Larry Nichols, Joe Policello, John Fendryk, John Guarisco and Jerry Pillath

**Others Present:** John Lefebvre, LID; Greg Cleereman, LID-LWC; Aleta DiRienzo, LID-LWC; Renee Miller, ROD; Jodie Reisner, USDA-NRCS and the Peshtigo Times.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Sauve at 1:00 p.m.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
**MOTION** (Nichols/Fendryk) to approve the January 9, 2012 agenda as presented. Motion carried no negative vote.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
**MOTION** (Pillath/Baumgarten) to approve the December 12, 2011 minutes as presented. Motion carried no negative vote.
4. REPORTS BY COOPERATING AGENCIES  
NRCS ~ Jodie Reisner, District Conservationist handed out a report on the **Great Lakes Restoration Initiative**. The GLRI is working with NRCS to fund projects in the Great Lakes watershed. There is a possibility of putting in a Sturgeon passage in the Menominee, the GLRI is helping with a grant in the City of Peshtigo for helping with milfoil removal and paid for part of the Phragmites spray - would like to see Marinette County to get more of the GLRI funds.

**Wetland Reserve Program** has funds to apply to restore wetlands that were drained. Jodie stated that it would be nice if there could be a big wetland restoration done somewhere in Marinette County, have been talking to Chuck Druckrey, Water Resource Specialist regarding such a project.

**Environmental Quality Incentive Program** has brought in \$500,000 to the county with cost-sharing manure storage facilities. Between NRCS and the Land & Water Conservation over two million dollars have been brought into Marinette County - will work with the County Conservationist to prepare a report of all the money that has been brought into the county with Best Management Practices and bring back to committee.



5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6. 2012 WISCONSIN LAND INFORMATION ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

**MOTION** (Nichols/Guarisco) to approve the Land Information Director and GIS Coordinator to attend the WLIA Conference in Stevens Point, February 15 -17, 2012. Motion carried no negative vote.

7. 2012 CST/MP/SEPTAGE PUMPER TRAINING SESSION

**MOTION** (Guarisco/Policello) to approve the Land Information Director, Zoning/Sanitation staff and interested Land Information Committee members with per diem and mileage to attend the 2012 CST/MP/Septage Pumper Training Session at the Kelly Lake Holiday Inn on February 9, 2012. Motion carried no negative vote.

8. DEPARTMENT/DIVISION REPORTS

A suggestion was made by Supervisor Pillath to have reports given by each staff person in each division on what they are doing in the department. Discussion was held and the committee members didn't feel it necessary to micro-manage the department, handling the reports from each division the same as it has been, only introducing new hires. No action taken.

9. CORRESPONDANCE

**9A ~ Letter from Representative Jeff Mursau:** Discussion was held on whether a resolution should be drafted regarding the amendment of Assembly Bill 421. There are four concerns of the committee. One is that the DNR could no longer make changes to a project simply because the affected water body was trout water or an outstanding/exceptional resource water. Larger piers and additional water craft mooring will be allowed with less DNR oversight. A different process for the review and approval or disapproval of many permits related to navigable waters through what is called presumptive permitting. If DNR staff do not complete their review of a permit application within a specified time frame, despite the complexity or uniqueness of the proposed project, the development would be allowed to move forward. And the lack of the DNR to publish a newspaper notice of public hearings, the opportunity to submit a written comment, etc. AB421 allows the DNR to publish these notices on its website instead.

**MOTION** (Guarisco/Baumgarten) to draft a resolution opposing the four changes and before voting on the resolution, meet with State Representative Jeff Mursau to gather further information pertaining to AB 421. Motion carried no negative vote.

**9B ~ Letter to Governor Walker from WLWCA regarding DATCP budget lapses:** WLWCA had counties sign sent the letter "opposing to the budget lapse proposal by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) by proposing a 29 percent reduction in soil and water general purpose revenue funds, which are used to staff county conservation departments. The proposed cut, which would amount to over \$1.1 million state-wide (\$28,762 loss for Marinette County) is in addition to the \$1 million in similar cuts already approved over the next biennium, and would severely undermine the invaluable efforts of county conservation staff from all 72 counties . . ." A suggestion that the Land Information Committee Members call Assembly Representative John Nygren and let him know that it is very important to keep the funding for the counties. It was mentioned that some members of the Assembly were told that Nutrient Management was more important and they won't change their minds.

Jodie Reisner, NRCS said that there are federal dollars to fund Nutrient Management and wondered why they are so concerned about it. It was also stated that DATCP doesn't really care about the programs that are managed by the counties, the agency only cares about the programs they head. The Department of Administration is also proposing to lapse funding from the Land Records Modernization Program.

**MOTION** (Pillath/Fendryk) to have County Conservationist draft and send an email to Representative John Nygren conveying that the Land Information Committee is opposed to the proposed funding lapse. Motion carried no negative vote.

10. REPORTS BY LAND INFORMATION STAFF

**John Lefebvre, Director** handed out a summary of the 2011 Clean Sweep. The handout showed that the total reimbursement was \$39,400.00, with \$7,080 for the agriculture and \$32,400 for the residential waste. The Mar-Oco Landfill paid for the out of pocket expenses of \$19,110.84. The next Clean Sweep will likely not take place for another 5 years.

**Greg Cleereman, County Conservationist** gave a report on the Nutrient Management Planning Survey. So far there have been 11 of the 14 farms visited and the survey given. Scott Reuss, Agricultural Agent has been going to visit each farm and then asks the questions directly from the survey.

11. DECEMBER SCHEDULE OF INVOICES

The December Schedule of Invoices (\$31,513.84) was presented to the committee.

12. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2012 at the Courthouse.

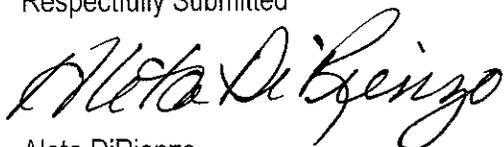
13. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING

Renee Miller, ROD if all the information regarding the Landlink upgrade has been gathered.

14. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION** (Guarisco/Nichols) to adjourn 2:25 p.m. Motion carried, no negative vote.

Respectfully Submitted



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