



LAND INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

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MEETING OF THE LAND INFORMATION COMMITTEE MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2016 COURTHOUSE – LAND INFORMATION CONFERENCE ROOM

Members Present: Ted Sauve, Alice Baumgarten, Clancy Whiting, Robert Holley, Gilbert Engel, Mary Noll and Fred Meintz.

Others Present: John Lefebvre, LID; Greg Cleereman, LID-LWC; Aleta DiRienzo, LID-LWC; Renee Miller, ROD; and the Peshtigo Times. Paul Klose, LID-LWC was present for a portion of the meeting.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Sauve at 9:00 a.m.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION (Holley/Meintz) to approve the agenda with an amendment to Item 9- Reports: the addition of a report from Renee Miller, ROD. Motion carried no negative vote.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
MOTION (Whiting/Baumgarten) approve the minutes of December 14, 2015 as presented. Motion carried no negative vote.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
5. REPORTS BY COOPERATING AGENCIES
USDA-FSA ~ Mary Noll: Important Deadlines are as follows:
Now – August 1, 2016 – ARC/PLC Contract Enrollment
Now – January 30, 2016 – Deadline to apply for Livestock Loss Assistance under LIP
January 18, 2016 – FSA Offices closed due to observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Now – February 26 – CRP General Signup
Now – March 15, 2016 – Non-Insured Assistance Program deadline to apply for coverage on spring planted crop.

Reminder – Conservation Compliance for Highly Erodible Land and Wetlands – Producers that participate in programs administered by FSA, NRCS and Risk Management (federal Crop insurance) are reminded of the requirements to comply with Highly Erodible Land Conservation and Wetland Conservation provisions. Failure to comply could result in loss



of USDA program benefits including FSA loans. Conservation compliance rules apply to all land operated by a farming operation including rented land.

New website has information for new and beginning farmers. In October of 2015 the new website was launched to provide new and beginning farmers with a centralized location for information on programs and resources available to help them get started with their operations. The new web tool is available at www.usda.gov/newfarmers

6. CORRESPONDENCE
None

7. CREATION OF THE LAKE SHANNON DISTRICT
MOTION (Holley/Whiting) to approve and send the Report Public Hearing – Creation of Lake Shannon District to the January County Board meeting for approval. Motion carried no negative vote.

8. WISCONSIN LAND + WATER ANNUAL CONFERENCE
MOTION (Meintz/Engel) to approve Land Information Committee and staff to attend the Wisconsin Land + Water Annual Conference in Elkhart Lake, WI on March 2-4, 2016. Motion carried no negative vote.

9. REPORTS BY LAND INFORMATION STAFF ON DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

- **Register of Deeds:** Started electronic recording on December 17th and on December 18th received the first document. Most electronic documents received in a day have been 6. Has been working very well.
- **NR115 and Marinette County Shoreland/Wetland Zoning Ordinance Amendments:** Discussion was held on different aspects of the Marinette County Shoreland/Wetland Zoning Ordinance that need to be clarified in order to incorporate the most recent changes adopted by the State of Wisconsin in the 2015-2017 budget bill . The Committee discussed and provided direction on the quantity (2 inches) of rain in a 24 hour storm that will be used to design a storm water treatment device or basin; the necessity to require a permit to raze a non-conforming structure or portion of a non-conforming structure; and they saw no need to establish a minimum lot size countywide.
- **County Conservationist Meeting Report:** Legislative update covered AB600 and SB464 that would undo many environmental protections in place for years. Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Association has developed the 2014-2016 Strategic Plan (copies were viewed by the LIC).

An *Into the Outdoors* episode highlighting four aspects of locally led conservation was shown.

Attendees heard a report on the WDNR Surface Water Grant Program redesign. In response, "lake" counties are forming an Ad Hoc committee to provide suggestions on the redesign.

WDNR now has a Water Condition Viewer at their website. Visitors can see

monitoring and planning results, monitoring projects, and Healthy Watershed Assessments.

The federal Technical Standard for nutrient management planning is being updated. DATCP and NRCS staff discussed new technical standards and cost sharing requirements.

Minnesota State Senator Richard Cohen discussed his role in establishing the Minnesota Legacy Amendment: Possible Lessons for Wisconsin (3/8 of 1% of the state sales tax are dedicated to Arts and Cultural Heritage, Clean Water, Environmental and Natural Resources, Outdoor Heritage, or Parks and Trails Funds).

- **Conservation Technician Meeting and Training Report:** First training was the Northeast Technical Meeting in Green Bay – it is important to keep up to date on the new technology. Information was presented regarding the requirement to use more reinforcement steel in the walls of manure storage facilities and to make them 25% larger to handle the extreme rain amounts. The State Technical Committee was held in Stevens Point. Met the new coordinator. This committee is responsible for holding a Technical Tour every summer. Last year it was held in Fond du Lac and the main focus was the new manure digesters. Significant discharge document for pollution source has been submitted to the Wisconsin DNR.
- **Lake Michigan Land & Water Conservation Association Planning & Budget Meeting Report:** Meeting was held on January 8, 2016 in Green Bay. The LMLWCA is looking for people to be on the Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Board. The LMLWCA Budget didn't change much from 2015 to 2016. Discussion was held regarding the LMLWCA Summer Tour in July which will be held in Marinette County.

10. DECEMBER SCHEDULE OF VOUCHERS

The December Schedule of Invoices (\$414,122.27) was presented to the committee.

11. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8, 2016 at 9:00 am in the Land Information Conference Room.

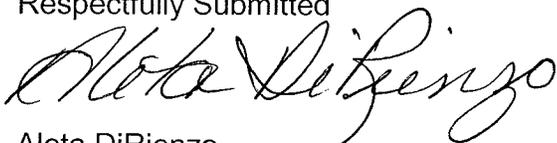
12. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (Holley/Baumgarten) to adjourn at 10:55 a.m. Motion carried no negative vote.

Respectfully Submitted



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