

LWCC MEETING MINUTES

VERNON COUNTY LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

January 9th, 2020 MEETING

County Board Room

3rd Floor of Courthouse

Present:

Committee: Will Beitlich-Chair, Kevin Larson-Vice-Chair, Frank Easterday, and Kelli Mitchell

Staff: Ben Wojahn, Sarah McDowell, Marty Kennedy, Nick Gilman, Monique Hassman, and Mark Erickson

Guests: Shelly Brenneman-Valley Stewardship Network

1. Call to Order

Beitlich called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. Affirmation of Proper Public Notice of meeting

Wojahn affirmed.

3. Review (amend if needed) and approve minutes from the December 4th, 2019 meeting.

A motion was made by Larson to approve the minutes, second by Easterday. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Review and Approve Bills for Payment

A motion was made by Mitchell to approve the bills for payment, second by Easterday. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Agency Reports (NRCS, DNR, FSA, RC &D, UW-Ext., any others)

None

6. Audience to Visitors

None

7. Schedule next LWCC meeting(s)

February 13th @ 9:30 a.m.

March 12th @ 9:30 a.m.

8. Building Update and Discussion

Wojahn stated that the building construction has been very inconvenient with a lot of moving, loud noises and fumes. We will also be getting the old Emergency Management shop for additional storage.

9. Blackhawk Park Dock Replacement Approval

Marty stated that they went to Coulee Region Docks to see the dock options and to get pricing. He passed around different options for the committee to consider. A motion was made to ask them to knock off the delivery charge, not to exceed \$85,000 for docks plus the cost of the poles by Larson, second by Mitchell. All ayes, motion carried.

10. Parks Cleaning Contract Approval

Marty stated that he would like to go with the same cleaners for the same price. A motion was made to approve both the cleaning and moving contracts for Service Solutions by Larson, second by Easterday. All ayes, motion carried.

11. Parks Mowing Contract Approval

Kennedy stated that he would like to go with the same mowers for the same price. See motion under number 10.

12. Approval to hire Summer Interns

A motion was made to hire up to two summer interns by Mitchell, second by Easterday. All ayes, motion carried.

13. Timber Sale Update

Gilman stated that he has another Timber Sale ready to be bid out at Duck Egg. A motion was made to bid out the Timber Same by Larson, second by Beitlich. All ayes, motion carried.

14. Accounts Manager Financial Report

McDowell shared her report which included balances of accounts and VSN Funding for the Watershed Planning position. Shelly and Monique gave a brief update on the Watershed Planner shared position.

15. Teacher of the Year Vote

The committee voted to make Lloyd Hardy the Conservation Teacher of the Year.

16. Landowner of the Year Vote

The committee voted to make Eric Lee the Conservation Landowner of the Year.

17. Reports from Committee Members and Announcements

McDowell announced that the Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, February 1st, 2020 at the Pedretti Party Barn.

18. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Larson, second by Easterday. All ayes, motion carried.