

LWCC MEETING MINUTES

VERNON COUNTY LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE January 14th, 2021 MEETING WebEx

Present:

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

Staff: Ben Wojahn, Sarah McDowell, Matt Albright, Monique Hassman, Marty Kennedy, and Mark Erickson

Guests: Christine Walrath-WI DNR, Don H.-Landowner, Cari Redington-County Administrator

1. Call to Order
Beitlich called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.
2. Affirmation of Proper Public Notice of meeting
Wojahn affirmed.
3. Review (amend if needed) and approve minutes from December 10th, 2020 meeting.
A motion was made by Easterday to approve the minutes, second by Larson. 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 Beitlich. All ayes, motion carried.
5. Agency Reports (NRCS, DNR, FSA, RC &D, UW-Ext., any others)
Christine Walrath with WI DNR spoke about a virtual workshop for DNR Forestry on February 24th.
6. Audience to Visitors
None
7. Schedule next LWCC meeting(s)
February 11th @ 9:30 a.m.
March 11th @ 9:30 a.m.
8. Approval of Parks Cleaning Contract
Kennedy stated that Service Solutions would like to renew their contract for \$8,207.35, which is the same price they have been doing it for. A motion was made to accept this offer by Ofte, second by Larson. All ayes, motion carried.
9. Approval of Parks Mowing Contract
Kennedy stated that Service Solutions would like to renew their contract for \$11,771.97, which is the same amount they have been mowing for. A motion was made by Larson to accept their offer, second by Mitchell. All ayes, motion carried.
10. Approval to hire up to two Summer Interns

Wojahn stated that summer interns have been quality labor for a low cost. A motion was made to approve hiring two summer interns by Larson, second by Mitchell. All ayes, motion carried.

11. Manure Ordinance Update

Wojahn stated that they are compiling different County's ordinances to find the best parts of each. Nikki wants to not be involved because it is a conflict of interest.

12. Accounts Manager Report

McDowell gave the balances in all the accounts.

13. Employee Review-Accounts Manager Position

The committee reviewed McDowell's performance for the past year.

14. Watershed Planning Update

Wojahn stated that the project is moving along.

15. Update on Runge Hollow Easement

Wojahn stated there is nothing new to report, Nikki served the Gald's.

16. Reports from Committee Members and Announcements

Tree Sale is currently going on, please help spread the word.

Friends of Vernon County Parks Group is hosting Winter Hikes which have been very popular so far and showcases our different parks.

NMM Quarries that were owed by Kraemer where sold to Milestone.

17. Adjourn Meeting

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