

## GREEN COUNTY LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

USDA Service Center  
1627 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue West  
Monroe, Wisconsin

Thursday, March 7, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. Those present were Oscar Olson, Erica Roth, Ken Hodgson, Jeff Williams, Dudley Timm, Victoria Solomon, Jeff Falk, Chris Newberry, Tonya Gratz, Tyler Newcomer, Jason Thomas, Todd Jenson, and members of the public.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved on a motion by Roth, second by Hodgson. Motion carried.

The committee audited the monthly bills in the amount of \$5907.08. A motion was made by Hodgson, second by Williams to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Jeff Falk requested of the committee to till the corn residue fields before seeding them to oats and alfalfa at the Pleasant View County Farm. The conservation plan says all fields are to be planted no-till. A motion was made by Timm, second by Williams to approve of the tillage. Motion carried.

Victoria Solomon and Kevin Masarik (via google hangout) presented a five-year project proposal to study groundwater quality trend data. This study would test well water samples from fifteen wells per township. A motion was made by Hodgson, second by Roth to support the project. Motion carried.

Jenson reviewed changes to the manure storage and animal feedlot ordinances. A motion was made by Hodgson, second by Williams to approve the changes and send them on to county board. Motion carried.

For the education demonstration, Roth, Newberry, and Solomon gave an overview of their presentation they do at schools for groundwater awareness week.

Jenson informed the committee that Dudley Timm has been reelected Chair of the Farm Service Agency Committee. Duane Bernet has applied for a livestock siting permit for a heifer and steer facility near the intersection of Cty. C and Cty. J. The DNR responded to the letter sent on the committee's behalf regarding the reissuance of a permit for Grande Cheese. The DNR stated they will not hold a public hearing on the matter. SouthWest Badger RC&D will be ceasing their business next Friday.

Thomas informed the committee he has about 50 EQIP applications ranked and ready to go, but there is no farm bill policy to proceed.

Newcomer informed the committee he has been working on cover crop and seasonal honey bee applications.

Newberry informed the committee he has been working on designs, cultural resources, and threatened and endangered.

There was nothing in committee concerns.

In public comments, the changes to the manure storage ordinance were well received. Would like to implement a tax in the county to go to extra staffing for the Land and Water Conservation office. Opposed the extra phosphorus that Grande is allowed to dump into the North Fork of the Juda Branch. Would like to see the county regulate land application from Bytec.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 4, beginning at 10:00 AM at the USDA Service Center.

A motion was made by Williams, second by Timm to adjourn. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM.