

## GREEN COUNTY LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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

Thursday, February 7, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM. Those present were Kristi Leonard, Peg Sheaffer, Dudley Timm, Jeff Williams Nick Hartwig, Sue Nelson, Tess Wallner, Tonya Gratz, Jason Thomas, Matt Urban, Jeremy Bennett, Allen Penticoff, and Todd Jenson.

A motion was made by Hartwig, second by Sheaffer to approve the January minutes. Motion carried.

The committee audited the bills in the amount of \$4992.49. A motion was made by Hartwig, second by Sheaffer to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Matt Urban of the Friends of Cadiz Springs gave an update on their group and the projects they are working on in the park.

The Southern Area Association poster contest results were announced. For Green County participants, Aydin Sobacki of Monroe Middle School received third place in the 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade division and Madeline Cleveland, a homeschooler, received third place in the 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade division.

A motion was made by Williams, second by Nelson to reappoint Dudley Timm to the LWCC as the citizen advisor member. Motion carried.

The committee discussed possible sites and dates for the Clean Sweep program. Both Monroe and Monticello Street departments agreed to be a collection site. The committee thought either a Saturday morning or noon until 6:00 PM would be the best times. August 17, 21, and 24 were picked as possible dates. Jenson will check with Veolia to see which dates work for them.

Jenson handed out cost-share applications received to date for soil conservation and water quality practices.

Five people will be attending the Land and Water Conference next month: Leonard, Nelson, Sheaffer, Gratz, and Wallner.

Gratz gave an educational demonstration on biomass sampling results from two farms taken last year.

Jenson informed the committee he has been working on the annual report, spoke to the Green County Leaders group, attending the SAA meeting, and have received seven applications for the summer intern position.

Thomas informed the committee they have been processing EQIP applications.

Wallner informed the committee Green County Clean Waters held a potluck supper. She is working on their annual report. She will continue to be the treasurer for the SAA until the association decides if this position will be on a two year cycle or stay with one person continuously.

Gratz informed the committee tomorrow is the Farmers of the Sugar River annual meeting. She has done a Farmland Preservation press release and a radio program to see if there is any interest in continuing the program. She is working with a farm that is struggling to meet conservation standards to be compliant with FPP.

There were no committee concerns.

In public comments Allen Penticoff and Jeremy Bennett from the Decatur Lake Association gave an update of what their group has been working on.

There was nothing in any other business.

The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, March 5, beginning at 10:30 AM.

A motion was made by Timm, second by Sheaffer to adjourn. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 AM.