

Extension/Land Conservation Committee
Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 8:30 A.M.
Barron County Government Center
Room 2151
335 East Monroe Avenue, Barron, WI

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Acknowledgement of Public Posting Requirements
3. Public comment
4. Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – 2/7/23
 - Edit List
 - Announcements –
5. Barron County Multi Discharge Variance Program: Increase Funding Rate – action item
6. Staff Reports – NRCS, FSA, SWCD, and UWEX (10 minutes) information only
 - Executive Committee Report
 - Fair Board Report
7. Set date for the next meeting (action required)
8. Adjourn

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(All times are estimated)

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cc: Cook, Gores, Langman, Kusilek, McRoberts, G. Nelson, Huth, County Clerk, County Administrator, Webmaster, Public postings

EXTENSION-LCC COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 8:30 a.m.

Room 2151

Members present: Kirsten Huth, Jerry McRoberts, Gary Nelson, Jim Gores, Fran Langman and Audrey Kusilek. Staff present: Tyler Gruetzmacher, Justin Everson, Lori Baltrusis, Sara Waldron, Kelsey Hyland and Kim Collins. Other: Cody Knoop, USDA APHIS.

Absent: Randy Cook.

McRoberts called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and Collins confirmed proper posting of the meeting. No public comment.

Motion: (Nelson/Langman) to approve the agenda; carried. **Motion: (Gores/Huth)** to approve the minutes of December 6, 2022 meeting; carried with Kusilek abstaining. Questions on edit lists answered. Under Announcements, Nelson recommended committee members and staff read an article in February 'Counties' magazine about the multiple land service agencies serving their communities.

Item #5. Wildlife Damage: Knoop presented the finalized apiary prices for approval. **Motion: (Kusilek/Nelson)** to approve the prices as presented; carried. Knoop then presented the three claims; after committee questions, **motion: (Nelson/Gores)** to approve the Wildlife Damage claims as presented. Motion carried.

Item #6. Gruetzmacher presented information on the WI Land & Water Conservation Association (WLWCA), highlighting the proposed increase in staffing grants and raising the tax credit for FPP participants. He then presented the WLWCA Annual Dues request, which includes additional requests for funding for the Envirothon and the Standards oversight Council. Gruetzmacher explained the value of supporting both and asked the committee to include these as expenses in the annual budget going forward. After committee questions, **motion: (Kusilek/Langman)** to approve these expenses and include them in the annual budget; motion carried.

Item #7. West Central Summer Tour – Gruetzmacher discussed the upcoming tour to be held in Barron County, stating it will start at the Kusilek farm, visit the Church Road mine site and possibly visit the WTE facility. He also proposed adding a Towns Association Tour that evening to visit the same sites. After discussion, Gruetzmacher will reach out to Don Putman regarding the Towns Association.

Item #8. Staff Reports –

NRCS – No NRCS report.

FSA – Huth provided sign-up and deadline information for FSA programs.

SWCD – Gruetzmacher discussed annual AIS funds and the 2nd year of the groundwater study.

UWEX – Baltrusis introduced Kelsey Hyland, Ag Water Quality Outreach Specialist, who gave a brief overview of her responsibilities. Sara Waldron gave an update on 4-H activities, noting the large percentage of participants who are the first in their families to join the program.

The next meeting is set for March 7, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Motion: (Gores/Kusilek) to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Russell-Collins

Administrative Secretary, Land Services

Minutes are not official until approved by the Extension/LCC Committee at the next meeting.

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Payment Request Edit

On-Line Vouchers

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LAND SERVICES DEPT

Vendor No/Name	Line#	voucher#	Account Desc	Date	Description	Amount
134732 INDIANHEAD ASSN OF ASSESSING OFFI	1	C0083594	ASSOCIATION/MEMBERSHIP DUES	02/09/23	RPL-2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES	10.00
6025 WI LAND & WATER CONSERVATION ASSN	1	C0083595	ASSOCIATION/MEMBERSHIP DUES	02/09/23	SWCD-2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES	1,984.00
74101 LEICA GEOSYSTEMS INC	1	C0083596	FIELD SUPPLIES	02/09/23	LIO-SOFTWARE MAINT/WARRANTY	2,077.00
274259 APG MEDIA OF WISCONSIN LLC	1	C0083597	PUBLICATIONS	02/09/23	ZA-PUB NOT/LILLYBLAD,MCDONALD	107.75
289493 BUREAU OF CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE	1	C0083598	ADDRESS SIGNING	02/09/23	ZA-RURAL ADDRESS SIGNS	194.00
3565 SAFETY AND BUILDINGS DIVISION	1	C0083599	DUE TO STATE - SANITATION FEES	02/09/23	ZA-STATE SAN FEES/JAN 2023	300.00
Totals:						4,672.75

MANUAL VOUCHERS/JOURNAL ENTRIES

DEPT	NAME	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
LS	BC HIGHWAY DEPT	220-12-53400-332-000	FUEL 1/1 - 1/20	\$119.95

MANUAL VOUCHERS TOTAL: \$119.95

GRAND TOTAL: \$4,792.70

Dept Approval

Admin Approval

Land Services Total:	\$2,113.95
Land Information Total:	\$2,077.00
Soil & Water Conservation Total:	\$0.00
Zoning Administration Total:	\$601.75

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LAND SERVICES DEPT

Vendor No/Name	Line#	voucher#	Account Desc	Date	Description	Amount
313815 THE MASTER'S TOUCH LLC	1	C0083591	OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/09/23	RPL-2022 TAX STATEMENTS	1,856.09
86843 LOUIE'S FINER MEATS INC	1	C0083592	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	02/09/23	SWCD-2022 DEER PROCESSING/WILDL	3,600.00
317616 PRIME CUTS MEAT MARKET	1	C0083593	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	02/09/23	SWCD-2022 DEER PROCESS/WILDLIFE	1,900.00
Totals:						7,356.09

MANUAL VOUCHERS/JOURNAL ENTRIES

DEPT	NAME	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
LS	BC HIGHWAY DEPT	220-12-53400-332-000	FUEL 11/26 - 12/31	\$175.82

MANUAL VOUCHERS TOTAL: \$175.82

GRAND TOTAL: \$7,531.91

Dept Approval

Admin Approval

Land Services Total: \$2,031.91
 Land Information Total: \$0.00
 Soil & Water Conservation Total: \$5,500.00
 Zoning Administration Total: \$0.00

LCC – 3/7/2023

MDV program

Unfortunately we have had very little response to our outreach and press releases.

We have identified approximately 100 acres throughout the county that would be good areas to implement the headlands and buffers practice.

The next step is to put together a packet and mail to these landowners. (targeted mailings)

We are proposing to increase the payment rates from \$400 to \$600 and seeding costs from \$100 to \$150 for a total increase of establishment from \$500 to \$750 per acre. One time payment for 5 year practice life.

Main reasons for increase:

Costs of seeding and establishment have gone up.

We need more participation so increasing the incentive payment will hopefully engage more participants.