

MANITOWOC COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2009
Office Complex

Chairperson Catherine Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call: Catherine Wagner, Clyde Mueller, Larry Bonde, Andy Schneider, Susie Maresh, and Jim Fitzgerald. David Korinek was excused.

Also in attendance were: Jerry Halverson, Bruce Riesterer, SWCD; and Matt Rataczak NRCS.

Agenda: Motion was made by Andy Schneider and seconded by Clyde Mueller to approve the Agenda as amended. Item 5A Wildlife Damage Program – Setting of 90% Harvest Date for 2009 was tabled until the December meeting. Motion carried.

Public Input: Fred Lemens of Cooperstown questioned what role the Soil & Water Conservation Department has in the Working Lands Initiative Program.

Minutes: Motion was made by Clyde Mueller and seconded by Andy Schneider to approve the October 22nd Minutes. Motion carried. Motion made by Susie Maresh and seconded by Clyde Mueller to approve the Minutes of the November 5th meeting. Motion carried.

Correspondence: 1) Rick Reichardt, P.E. Environmental Engineer, WDNR Wastewater Section has sent notification that the Division of Water has conditionally approved plans and specifications for the second phase of the digester program for N.E.W. Organic Digestion LLC located near Denmark, WI.
2) Reviewed the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association's resolutions for the December conference.
3) Industrial Wastewater Specialist with WDNR Tom Tewes' approval of site for industrial waste spreading in well comp area near Cooperstown has been rescinded.
4) Julian Zelazny of the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association sent notice that Governor Doyle vetoed AB138 which was the bill to have the DNR Secretary appointed by the Natural Resources Board. He also noted that Governor Doyle signed bill banning phosphorus from dish detergents.
5) Larry Bonde handed out an article titled "Rifles Are No More Dangerous Than Shot Guns".

Vouchers: Motion was made by Larry Bonde and seconded by Andy Schneider to approve the list of vouchers. Motion carried.

Conservation Plans: Motion to approve the Conservation Plans presented was made by Clyde Mueller and seconded by Susie Maresh. Motion carried.

Amendments/Agreements: Motion made by Clyde Mueller and seconded by Jim Fitzgerald to approve the attached lists of Agreements with the addition of an Agreement for Kurt Platten to include milking center waste control system, barnyard runoff control system, and manure storage system for a total cost share amount of \$23,819. Also approved re-allocation of cost-share funds from DATCP Reserve for NOI for Platten agreement. Motion carried.

Budget Review: Reviewed Department budget ending October 2009.

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Pre-Proposal for Funding: Bruce Riesterer presented a pre-proposal for possible funding from Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. If funded, the project would fund installation of best management practices on existing barnyards in order to reduce nonpoint pollution to Lake Michigan.

Industrial/Municipal Waste Application Approved Acres and Permittees: A list of DNR approved sites in Manitowoc County for industrial and municipal waste application was distributed.

Animal Waste Ordinance:

- A. Update of Violations:** A manure runoff violation 1½ miles west of Osman was investigated on November 2nd.

FSA Report: Jim Fitzgerald gave an update on County crop conditions. A lot of corn is still unharvested due to high moisture content. Mold on corn is also a problem this season.

NRCS Report: Matt Rataczak reported that staff is working on the Conservation Stewardship Program.

Education activities: On December 8th, Tony Smith, Bruce Riesterer and Mike Wendt will be attending the Soil and Water Nutrient Management Meeting at Millhome. On December 10th, Mike Wendt, Bruce Riesterer and Jerry Halverson will be attending an engineering meeting in Waupaca County.

Next month's meeting date: December's meeting is scheduled for Thursday the 17th at 4:30 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Clyde Mueller and seconded by Andy Schneider at 6:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Halverson