

# LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Polk County Government Center  
100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin  
**Wednesday, May 13, 2009, 8:30am**  
**County Board Room**

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Call to order

Approve Agenda  
Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting  
Public Comments

## Agency Reports

- DNR-Forestry/Wildlife
- NRCS-Keith Zygowicz
- FSA-Bob Forrest
- UWEX-Ryan Sterry

## Wildlife Damage - Cindy Blonk

- Program updates (discussion only)

## Voucher Review and Financial Reports (discussion/action)

- Sign bill sheet

## 2008 Annual Report (discussion/action)

## Directors Report (discussion only)

- Other items

## Committee Observances (discussion only)

## Presentation by staff person, (time permitting)

## Adjournment

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## Polk County Land Conservation Committee

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The Land Conservation Committee met May 13, 2009 in the County Board Room.

Supervisors Present: Larry Jepsen, Diane Stoneking, Kathryn Kienholz, Dean Johansen and Ted Johnson, FSA Representative.

LWRD Staff: Tim Ritten and Becky Burkhardt; Rebecca Fredrickson took minutes.

Chairman Jepsen called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. **Motion (Stoneking/Kienholz) to approve the Agenda; Motion (Kienholz/Stoneking) to approve the March minutes. Both Motions carried.**

**Public Comment.** None

**Agency Reports.** **Paul Heimstead-DNR.** The tree planting season finished yesterday. Private landowners planted 120,000 trees (that number is down). County forest trees have been planted – 180,000 (last year all trees died from drought and deer damage).

**Keith Zygowicz –NRCS.** The EQIP signup ended 4-17-09 and \$180,000+ has been requested for forest improvement, nutrient management, pest management, waterways, dam diversions, etc. Polk Co. has been advised the money available went down. There may be another EQIP signup through May 29 but information is not available yet. The work plan for this summer will be status reviews, construction season, and CRP.

**Invoices.** Voucher Report reviewed. **Motion (Johnson/Johansen) to approve the invoices presented for \$19,313.90. Motion carried.** The Soil & Water Staffing Grant for 2009 was reviewed and signed by Chairman Jepsen. The Cutler Law Office bill for \$35.00 was reviewed. **Motion (Johnson/Kienholz) to approve the \$35.00 Cutler Law office bill. Motion carried.**

**2008 Annual Report.** The report was reviewed by the LCC. **Motion (Johnson/Kienholz) to accept the report and pass it on to the County Board. Motion carried.**

### **Director's Report.**

- Amy Kelsey – resignation and current staff requirements were discussed.
- Earth Day – the April 24<sup>th</sup> event was another success, with many schools attending.
- Tree sales are complete – the number sold was down and extra trees were made available to county employees. White pine seedlings were given to all 6<sup>th</sup> graders in the county, along with Arbor Day educational presentations by LWRD staff.
- Tim Ritten is attending the ongoing County Comprehensive Plan meetings.
- LWRD staff is scheduled to present several educational and learning activities to students from Unity, Osceola, St. Croix Falls, Clayton, and Amery schools, at DD Kennedy and Pine Park in Balsam Lake.
- June 12<sup>th</sup> is the West Central Land & Water Conservation Summer Tour – Dunn County hosting.

**Committee Comments.** Hogan property: check the status of the cost-shared restoration replacement.

**Presentation.** Conservation Planner, Dave Peterson, utilized a PowerPoint presentation to update the LCC on the work, practices and projects being implemented by the LWRD Conservation Planners.

**Motion to adjourn (Stoneking/Kienholz). Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.**

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