

# LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Polk County Government Center  
100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin

**\*\*\*\*\*NOTE DATE & TIME CHANGE\*\*\*\*\***

**Thursday, December 3, 2009, 9:30am**

**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-Aaron Moore
- UWEX-Ryan Sterry

## Wildlife Damage Program - Cindy Blonk

- Set Wildlife Damage Program Closure Date(discussion/action)
- Program updates (discussion only)

## State LWCB review of Polk Co. Land & Water Resource Mgmt Plan on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> - (discussion/action)

- County Board Resolution for Dec. meeting

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

- Sign bill sheet

## Review of Non-Represented Performance Review Process for Department Heads (discussion only)

- Distribution of Performance Evaluation materials

## Directors Report (discussion only)

- Other items

## Committee Observances (discussion only)

## Presentation by Staff Person (time permitting)

## Adjournment

This meeting is open to the public according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.83. Persons with disabilities wishing to attend and/or participate are asked to notify the County Clerks office (715-485-9226) at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting time so all reasonable accommodations can be made. Requests are confidential.

## Polk County Land Conservation Committee

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The Land Conservation Committee met December 3, 2009 in the County Board Room.

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

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

9:32 a.m. Chairman Jepsen called the meeting to order. **Motion (Johansen/Kienholz) to approve the Agenda. Motion (Stoneking/Kienholz) to approve the November minutes. Both Motions carried.**

**Public Comment.** None

**Wildlife Damage.** Cindy Blonk discussed the program, crop status and a closure date, and suggested December 31<sup>st</sup>. **Motion (Kienholz/Stoneking) to set December 31, 2009 as the Wildlife Damage program closure date. Motion carried.** The Wisconsin Wildlife Damage Program Plan of Administration was reviewed with the decision to leave it as is for Polk County.

**Agency Reports.** Keith Zygowicz – NRCS. Six applications have been received re the Conservation Stewardship Program. In January, EQIP and WHIP signups will run together; details to be available soon. Ag instructors have contacted Keith re coordinating an Envirothon – discussion.

**FSA.** Aaron Moore reported CRP and commodity payments have been made; county committee election ballots are due December 7; the soybean harvest is done but 15-20% of the corn is left in fields; FSA encourages farmers to document data on moisture, test weights, etc.; there is a Supplemental Revenue Assistant Program in place and a stimulus package will be available in mid-December for milk producers.

**Land & Water Resource Management Plan (LWRM).** December 1<sup>st</sup> Tim presented a power point and the 2009 LWRM Plan to the Wisconsin State Land & Water Conservation Board for their review; the Plan was approved. **Motion (Johnson/Stoneking) to approve the Land & Water Resource Management Plan and submit the Plan to the County Board. Motion carried.**

**Voucher Review.** Review Voucher Report; discussion. **Motion (Stoneking/Johnson) to approve the voucher report total of \$35,402.48. Motion carried.**

**Performance Review Process.** Tim handed out paperwork re the review of non-represented performance review process for department heads and also suggested goals, which the LCC should evaluate and be prepared to finalize at the January meeting.

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

- Laketown Quarry – waiting for a decision from the Court of Appeals
- Kraemer Mine – the conditional use permit decision is scheduled for next Thursday.
- TMDL – Tim has been attending several “total maximum daily load” meetings
- LWRD has met with a group from Pipe Lake to plan work to be done
- LWRD will be meeting with the Health Dept. today re Long and Loveless Lakes and a possible grant to study toxic blue green algae
- DATCP – LWRD received notice our funding was cut from \$134,000 to \$130,000 for 2010
- *“The Magic Goggles – Discovering the Secrets of the Lake”*. Amy Kelsey (our former Information/Education Coordinator) has a connection with this book and is acknowledged by the author for helping with ideas, expertise and creativity. Tim passed a few copies around for the LCC to see and noted LWRD will obtain extra copies to hand out locally.
- LWRD–What We Do – Tim handed out the one-page summary of the LWRD functions.

**Motion to adjourn (Johansen/Stoneking). Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

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*Pending approval by the LCC at the next meeting*