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AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING

CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, RECREATION & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Government Center

County Board Room

Balsam Lake, WI 54810

9:00 a.m. Wednesday December 3rd, 2014

Purpose: Review and action on selected items as listed below
Documents: Minutes of November 19th, 2014 and monthly reports

ITEM	LEAD PERSON
Call to order	Committee Chair
Approval of agenda Approval of minutes for November 19 th , 2014	
Public comment	
New business	
1. Questions on issues as contained in written monthly reports	County Administrator
2. Recommendation on Resolution No. ____-14: Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund	
3. Wildlife damage update	Cindy Blonk, Wildlife Damage Technician
4. Wildlife Damage Abatement Claims Program -Set Program Closure Date -Set High Moisture Ear Corn price for Dittbrenner's 2014 claim (2013 crop) -Review/action for David Dittbrenner's 2014 claim -Dittbrenner & Becker Permanent Fence projects	Director Tim Ritten

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 Clerk's 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

<p>-Amendment to Polk County's WDP 2014 Budget</p> <p>-Deer Donation Program</p> <p>-Program updates</p>	
<p>5. Fair building discussion/action</p>	<p>Fair Board</p>
<p>6. Develop Report and Recommendation to County Board on Polk County Zoning Ordinance, A Comprehensive Revision.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and discussion of Article 3: General Provisions, which may include discussion of other sections of the ordinance. Time permitting, the Committee may review additional sections of the proposed draft zoning ordinance. <p>Pursuant to Section 59.69(5), the Committee will develop its report and recommendations to the County Board on the proposed ordinance. The Committee may review public testimony on the proposed draft ordinance; receive staff recommendations on same and direct further modifications to the draft ordinance prior to forwarding recommendation to the County Board.</p>	<p>Committee Chair</p>
<p>7. Future agenda items</p>	<p>Committee members</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	



MINUTES
Conservation, Development, Recreation and Education Committee
Government Center County Board Room
Balsam Lake, WI 54810
9:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 19th, 2014

Meeting called to order by Chairman O’Connell @ 9:05 A.M.

Members present

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Kim O’Connell	Chair	Present
Craig Moriak	Vice Chair	Present
Warren Nelson	Supervisor	Present
Dean Johansen	Supervisor	Present
Jim Edgell	Supervisor	Present
Dale Wood	FSA Rep	Present

Also present Tammy Peterson, Executive Secretary, Dana Frey, County Administrator, Tim Anderson, County Planner, and Deb Peterson, Director of Buildings

Approval of Agenda- Chairman O’Connell called for a motion to approve the agenda. **Motion** (Edgell/Nelson/) to approve agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Chairman called for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 5th, 2014 meeting. **Motion** (Moriak/ Edgell) to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

New Business:

Administrator Dana Frey discussed the update on funding of lighting project.

Wisconsin DNR Liaison Forester Paul Heimstead and Forest Administrator Jeremy Koslowski handed out and discussed the 2015 Polk County Forest Annual Work Plan. **Motion** (Johansen/Wood) to recommend to County Board. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Chairman Kim O’ Connell and committee members discussed article number 2, definitions of the proposed draft.

Motion (Johansen/ Nelson) to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Polk County Lime Quarry

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Monthly Report

November 2014

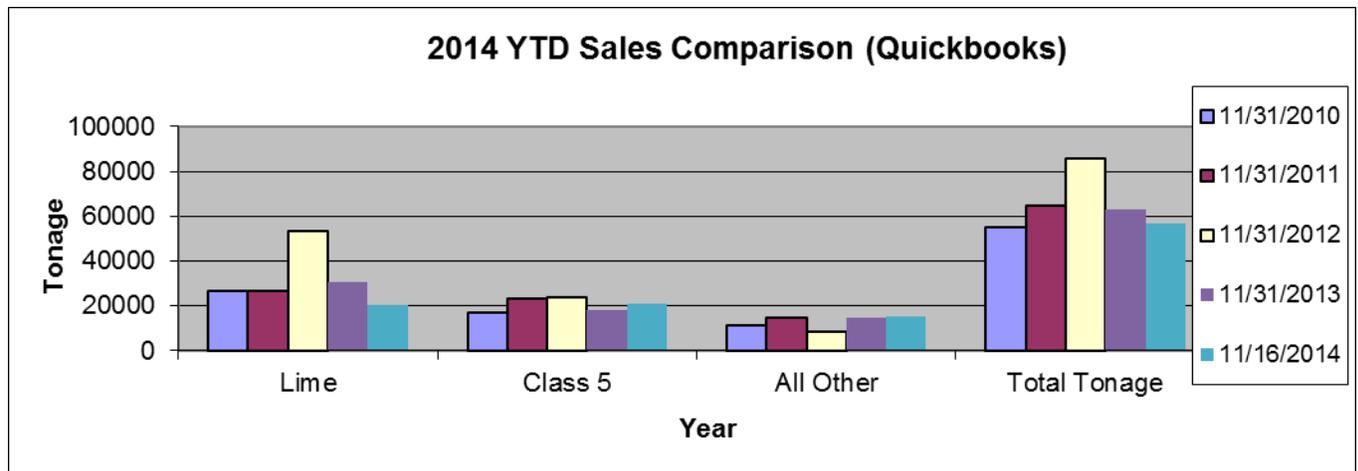
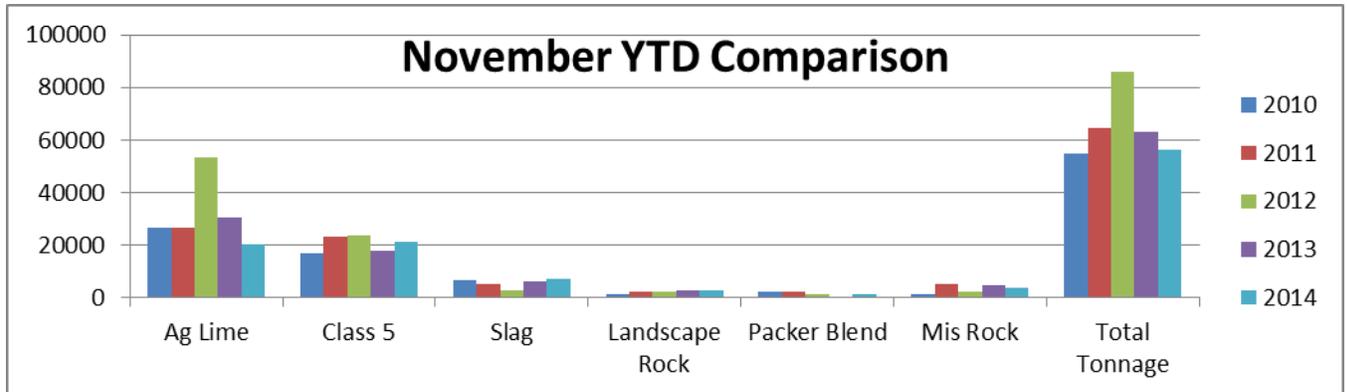
Lime production and sales-To continue to increase the sale of quality lime products

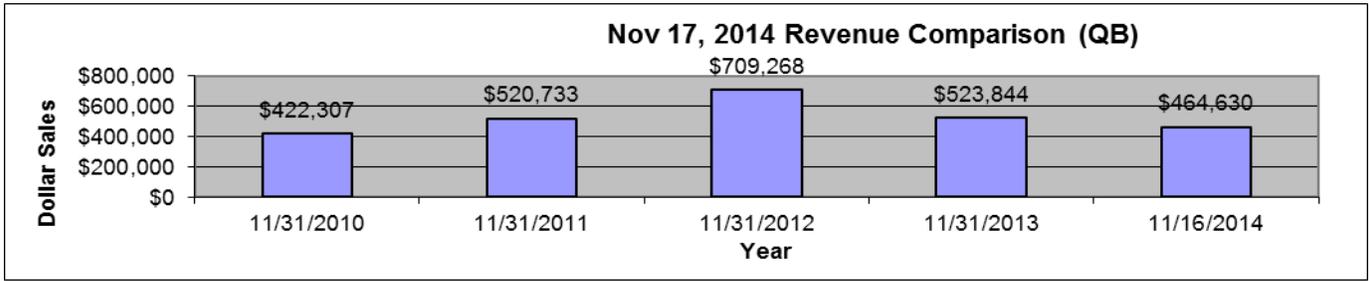
Current:

1. Weather has slowed the sale of Ag Lime, however there are orders for about 2,000 ton.
2. Lime test have come back and our lime is testing in the 60-69 grade. The neutralizing index on one sample was 62 and the other sample was 65. This is the second year we have tested over 60. This is mainly to improvements to the crushing operation, by replacing worn parts.

Upcoming:

1. Weather permitting; the 2,000 ton of Ag Lime will be sold in December.
2. Class-5 sales are still active until piles are frozen.





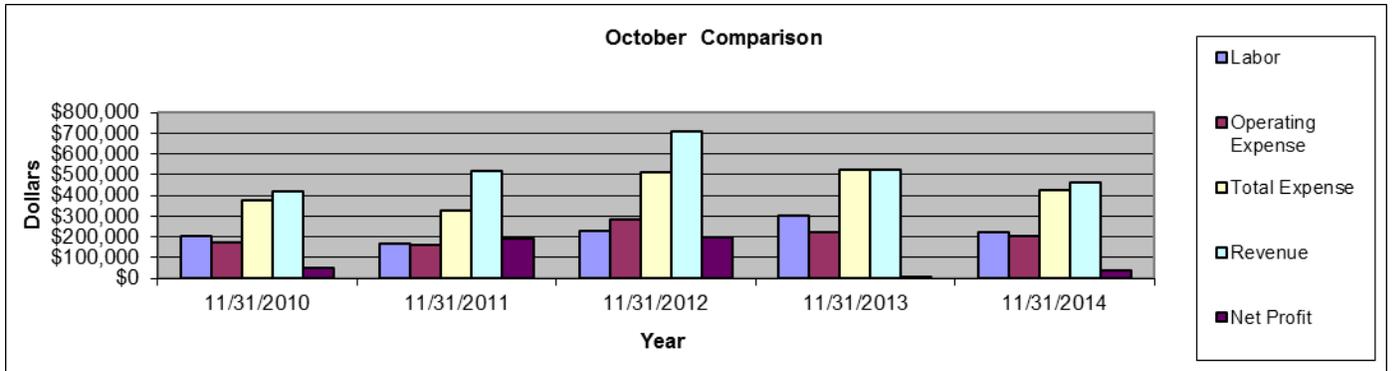
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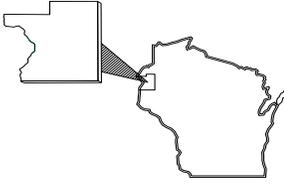
Class 5

50-59 Ag Lime

Dollar gain in inventory from Jan 1

16,227	9,284	\$92,605
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POLK COUNTY LAND & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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Monthly Report, November 2014

Runoff Management

Current

- Amery ministorage stormwater permit waiting for plans
- Friendshuh Farms stormwater permit
- Roberts stormwater permit
- Betzoldvale Farm stormwater permit
- Contract sent to landowner for water control basin by Wapogasset Lake
- Renstrom manure storage closure waiting for contractor
- Behling manure storage closure contract signed

Upcoming

- High potential for manure runoff issues due to early snowfall, corn not harvested, manure storage facilities not emptied and insufficient acres available to spread manure.

Resource Management and Farmland Preservation

Current

- Jordan Hibbs nutrient management plan waiting for agronomist information
- County Farmland Preservation Plan nearly complete
- Wood Valley Farm DNR Targeted Runoff Management contracts signed
- Wester requesting buy-out of Farmland Preservation Program contract

Upcoming

- Animal waste runoff problem at Grenquist Lake

Lake Protection

Current

- In-lake water sampling of turnover on Blake and Lotus Lakes
- St. Croix River Assoc. Aquatic Invasive Species strategic plan meeting
- St. Croix River Research Rendezvous
- Pipe Lake planning grant application
- Three meetings with Bone Lake regarding their 10 year plan
- Coon Lake protection grant application and meeting with Frederic Park Board
- Three radio presentations
- AIS partnership meeting in Stevens Point
- Presentation to Clayton 7th grade class
- Cooperative Weed Mgmt Group meeting and work on tool trailer
- DNR Lake Grant application for partial funding of LiDAR data
- Plant survey report completed for St. Croix Chippewa of Wisconsin
- Church Pine, Round, Big Lakes meeting for a grant application
- Polk County Association of Lakes meeting
- Assisted with Tri-County Soil Judging contest
- Attended DNR statewide surface water management meeting

Upcoming

- St. Croix strategic plan kickoff meeting at Crex Meadows
- Long Lake Aquatic Plant Management Plan assistance
- UWRF student to help with historical land use mapping
- Carp removal from Lotus Lake

Nonmetallic Mine Reclamation

Current

- Town of Lorain mine not reclaimed but still working on resolution
- Active acres have been mapped on all nonmetallic mines except one

Contracted Services

Current

- East Balsam subwatershed soil sampling waiting for lab data

Upcoming

- Construction plans for 2 water control basins for Long Lake
- Estimate for boat landing on Cedar Lake
- Estimate for work at north end of Wapogasset

Shoreland Protection, Conservation Materials, Trees

Current

- Continued assistance on Shoreland Zoning Ordinance

Upcoming

- Tree sale will begin in January

Conservation Administration, Wildlife Damage

Current

- Agreement and Budget sent to DNR for USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services for 2015
- Engineering spot checks completed for 2014

Upcoming

- DNR proposes to add 6 more lakes to the Impaired Waters List in Polk County
- Conservation Poster Contest will take place in January



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Butch Korsan, Maintenance Technician
Tina Riley, Office Manager

Jeremy Koslowski, Forester/Parks Assistant
Mike Voltz, Recycling Center Foreman
Mike Schleusner, GAM Maintenance

Polk County, Wisconsin

Monthly Report, December 2014

Buildings

- Tax deed auction has finished and I will supply CDRE a report in December.
- I am working with ER to offer during the month of December, Decision Driving to our employees. This training opportunity has been designed by our Worker Compensation provider to benefit everyone who drives. The goal of this training is to increase awareness and reduce risks not only when employees are traveling work-related miles, but to offer additional awareness and safety for their personal travels.
- State Survey (state inspection) of the Facility portion was done last week at the GAM. Four minor citations were issued.
K62- Annual sprinkler test not completed annually to the day.

K 154 & K155- Both tags relate to the forms we are using for fire alarm & sprinkler outages, that system has changed and these need to be on two separate logs instead of a combined log as we had

K 130- No charging the power wheelchairs in open corridors, needs to be charged in ventilated room/area. Also on the survey it was reported that records are very well kept.

Park and Trails

- Parks are closed for the season. Garbage cans were collected and all water sources were turned off. Docks were removed from county owned boat launches.
- Staff attended the monthly Polk County Snowmobile Council meeting. These meetings are held in order for the clubs to make sure all maintenance is being done correctly and on time. They also share ideas and issues with each other and with the county. These meetings help run the snowmobile and ATV programs in Polk County smoothly throughout the year.
- Press releases were sent to the papers and radio stations. “ Regardless of snowfall amounts, Polk County Snowmobile trails are NOT open. The trails will remain closed until after the hunting season, and ONLY if there is adequate amount of snow.” Snow trails remain closed.
- Staff attended the bi-annual Gandy Dancer Trail Commission meeting in Siren. This meeting brings together stakeholders along the entire 98 mile Gandy Dancer trail from St. Croix Falls to Superior. Updates and issues are shared among members.

County Forest

- The second County Deer Advisory Committee (CDAC) meeting for Polk County was held in October. I currently sit on the committee as a representative for forestry in Polk County. We established preliminary deer herd population level recommendations for Polk County for the next 3 years. These recommendations are out for public comment right now and can be viewed at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/hunt/cdac.html>.
- Staff attended chainsaw safety training in Spooner. This class taught basic information from the parts of a chainsaw to how to properly fell a tree. This information will aid in the maintenance of woody vegetation in the parks and trails of Polk County.
- Investigated multiple property line issues, both on County Forest and on parks and trails lands. All were rectified.
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- Was appointed to the Oak Harvesting Guidelines Advisory Committee as a representative of the Wisconsin County Forest Association. We met for the first time in Wausau this past month. This is a review of the current Oak Wilt Guidelines contained in the Silviculture Handbook and involves stakeholders throughout Wisconsin. The review process will take just over one year to complete with full implementation by the spring of 2016.
- The annual Polk County Forest Work Plan was drafted for 2015 and was forwarded by the Conservation, Development, Recreation and Education Committee to the full County Board. This plan gives direction and meaning to the County Forest budget and further defines and supplements the County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan and emphasizes the current needs of the County Forest Program.
- Continued establishment of 10+ timber sales for our January bid letting.
- Administered 1 active timber sale on the County Forest.



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Public Comment:

Brad Olson from Clam Falls spoke and would like to see more information in the minutes on website.

Supervisor Ken Sample handed out and spoke on the resolution concerning selection and compensation of persons appointed to public inland lake rehabilitation district, board of commissioners. Mr. Sample would like the committee to discuss. Chair Kim O'Connell stated to add to future agenda.

New Business:

Administrator Dana Frey discussed the monthly reports. Mr. Frey also gave an update on the tax deeds auction.

Administrator Frey discussed the recommendation of resolution to establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational area stewardship fund. **Motion** (Edgell/ Nelson) to recommend to County Board. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Cindy Blonk, Wildlife Damage Technician discussed several subjects on wildlife damage abatement claims and the program.

Ms. Blonk stated a closure date has to be set for the claim program and she recommended December 31, 2014. **Motion** (Wood/Edgell) to set program date to December 31, 2014. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Cindy discussed the 2014 claim for Ed Dittbrenner's 2013 crop. Ms. Blonk had worked with UW Extension department and the cost using 2013 prices was \$150.00 per ton. Mr. Ed Dittbrenner distributed photographs. **Motion** (Johansen/ Edgell) to approve the cost. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Blonk spoke on the 2014 David Dittbrenner's claim. The claim is for the maximum amount of \$10,000 for 82 ½ ton damage feed sack. Cindy stated she recommended approving the claim based on the DNR finding stubs. **Motion** (Moriak/ Nelson) to approve maximum amount pending proof of stubs. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Cindy distributed photographs and spoke on the permanent fencing projects on the Ed Dittbrenner and Jeff Becker properties.

Cindy also handed out and discussed an amendment to Polk County's WDP 2014 Budget in the amount of \$6,000. **Motion** (Wood/ Johansen) to approve the increase of \$6,000 to wildlife budget. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Blonk stated the deer donation program is down and field work is done for 2014.

Fair Society board members Ted Johnson and Rod McGee spoke on the Polk County Fair buildings and grounds. Mr. Johnson stated in one of the barns is a water issue. They have looked into raising the building, renovating and upgrading. The fair board would like to replace the single use building and to build a commercial multiple use building measuring 70 x 170 feet.

The cost for this project is estimated from \$220,000 to \$225,000. They are proposing for County to help financially. Chairman Kim O'Connell stated this needs to be in the Director of Buildings, Deb Peterson's Capital Improvement Plan. Administrator Frey stated if the committee and County Board thinks there is enough interest, he can look into the financial end. The consensus was to move on.

Chairman Kim O'Connell and committee members discussed article number 3, general provisions of the proposed draft. No decisions on any provisions made.

Future Items: Next meeting December 17th, 2014

Motion (Wood/ Edgell) to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.