

**Walworth County Land Conservation Committee**  
MINUTES  
Monday, May 14, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.  
Walworth County Government Center  
Room 111  
Elkhorn, WI 53121

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Supervisor Lightfield called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call - Committee members present included: Supervisors Burwell, Guido, Lightfield, Morrison, and Muzatko and USDA/FSA Representative Papcke. A quorum was declared.

County staff present – Michael Cotter, Director, Land Use and Resource Management; Louise Olson, Deputy Director, Land Use and Resource Management; David Bretl, County Administrator, and Joeann Douglas, Recording Secretary

Also in attendance – Greg Igl, USDA – NRCS, and Julian Zelazny, Executive Director, Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WLWCA).

Approval of Agenda, Amended - **Supervisor Muzatko and USDA/FSA Representative Papcke moved and seconded approval of the amended agenda. Motion carried 6-0.**

Approval of Minutes – **Supervisors Muzatko and Burwell moved and seconded approval of the April 23, 2007 minutes. Motion carried 6-0.**

Public Comment – None

Communication from Pine Knolls Subdivision regarding Second Petition for Detachment – Referral from Walworth County Board. Michael Cotter said the subdivision detachment process must be followed through with the Lake Management District and the LCC has no interaction with the district. **Supervisors Morrison and Burwell moved and seconded to place the Pine Knolls Subdivision Second Petition for Detachment from the Whitewater-Rice Lake Management District on file. Motion carried 6-0.**

Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WLWCA) Presentation - Executive Director, Julian Zelazny said the WLWCA is moving May 16 to Madison offices at 702 East Johnson Street, Madison, WI 53703-1533. The rental rate is less and it is closer to the Capitol. Staff includes Kirsten Moore, Office Manager; Christine Schlutt, Program Coordinator; and Kevin Hogan, Standards and Oversight Council Coordinator. Mr Zelazny expressed his thanks for the dues renewing our membership. He said they would help him continue with lobbying efforts in procuring funding for county conservation programs. As the umbrella organization representing Wisconsin LCC's, he is stepping up lobbying efforts. Issues he is pursuing include funding for non-point programs, surface and groundwater concerns (working with the River Alliance and Wisconsin Association of Lakes) including the issue of transferring water from one watershed to another.

Resignation of Citizen Member Gerald Byrnes – Louise Olson said the appointment concludes July 14, 2008, and a notice has been placed in the newspapers for Mr Byrnes' replacement. Submittal of applications close Friday, May 18, 2007. Applications will be sent to County Board Chairperson Ann Lohrmann to be placed on the Executive Committee agenda. **Supervisors Burwell and**

**Morrison moved and seconded reluctantly accepting LCC Citizen Gerald Byrnes resignation and sending him a letter of appreciation for his many years of service. Motion carried 6-0.**

Booth Lake Management District Vacancy – The Booth Lake representative was Gerald Byrnes. No LCC members have sufficient time to take on the added responsibility. County Administrator Bretl will follow up with the County Board of Supervisors regarding a replacement.

Next Meeting Date – Monday, July 16, 2007, 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment – **On motion and second by Supervisors Burwell and Muzatko, the meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.**

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Submitted by Joann Douglas, Recording Secretary. Minutes not final until approved by the committee at its next meeting.