

Walworth County Land Conservation Committee

MINUTES

November 18, 2013 – 2:00 p.m.

County Board Room 114 – Government Center
Elkhorn, Wisconsin

The meeting was called to order at approximately 2:01 p.m. by Chairperson Kilkenny.

Roll call – In attendance were Chairperson Kilkenny, Vice Chairperson Russell, and USDA Representative Bellman. Supervisor Schiefelbein and Citizen Member Badame were absent-excused. A quorum was declared.

Others present – David Bretl, County Administrator; Michael Cotter, Deputy Corporation Counsel/LURM Director; Louise Olson, Deputy LURM Director; Fay Amerson, Urban Conservation Specialist, and David Terrall, APHIS/USDA.

Approval of the agenda as amended to hear Item 6 last was moved and seconded by Supervisor Russell and USDA Representative Bellman, with no withdrawals, and carried 3 – 0.

Approval of the September 16, 2013 Land Conservation Committee meeting minutes were moved and seconded by USDA Representative Bellman and Supervisor Russell, with no withdrawals, and carried 3 – 0.

Public comment: None.

Discussion/Possible Action - 2014 budget approval – David F. Terrall- APHIS. Discussion of the 2014 budget by David Terrall. Approval of the budget was moved and seconded by Supervisor Russell and USDA Representative Bellman, with no withdrawals, and carried 3 – 0.

Discussion/Possible Action - 2013 crop price approval - David F. Terrall- APHIS. Discussion of the 2013 crop prices. Statement by USDA Representative Bellman to amend the field corn price to \$5.00. Approval of the crop prices as amended was moved and seconded by USDA Representative Bellman and Supervisor Russell, with no withdrawals, and carried 3 – 0.

Discussion/Possible Action - 5 year Cooperative Service Agreement - David F. Terrall- APHIS. Discussion of the 5 year Cooperative Service Agreement. Approval of the agreement was moved and seconded by Supervisor Russell and USDA Representative Bellman, with no withdrawals, and carried 3 – 0. The agreement is signed by Chairman Kilkenny.

Discussion by David Terrall regarding crop damage issues and questions.

Discussion/Possible Action – Whelan Nonmetallic Mining Site (Whelan Farms LLC) Partial Reclamation Bond – Michael Cotter. Discussion by Michael Cotter to provide update to the Committee regarding status. Discussions regarding payment stages/performance bonding. Approval of the recommended 50/30/20 payment schedule and performance bond requirement was moved and seconded by Supervisor Russell and USDA Representative Bellman, with no withdrawals, and carried 3 – 0.

Discussion/Possible Action – General Discussion of Ordinance amendment regarding requested review of a determination - David Bretl. Proposed amended ordinance provided by Administrator Bretl. Discussion by County Administrator David Bretl regarding the proposed Ordinance amendment concerning the request for review of a determination requested under Chapter 68 of Wisconsin Statutes. Clarification requested by Chairman Kilkenny. Chairman Kilkenny requests an extension to next month on this issue to have a flow chart provided and input from other committees.

Chairperson Kilkenny did not have any announcements.

The next regular meeting of the land conservation committee was confirmed for Monday, December 16, 2013, 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment. On motion and second by USDA Representative Bellman and Supervisor Russell, Chairperson Kilkenny adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sheril Oldenburg, LURM Assistant.
These minutes are subject to approval by the committee.