

**Walworth County Board of Supervisors
Land Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 16, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
Walworth County Government Center
County Board Room 114
100 W. Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Nancy Russell at 2:12 p.m.

Roll call was conducted. Members present included Chair Nancy Russell, Vice Chair Charlene Staples, Supervisor Dan Kilkenny, USDA/FSA Representative Matthew Polyock, and Citizen Member Rosemary Badame. A quorum was declared.

Others in Attendance:

County Board Supervisors: Timothy Brellenthin

County Staff: David Bretl, County Administrator; Michael Cotter, Director of Land Use and Resource Management (LURM)/Deputy Corporation Counsel; Shannon Haydin, LURM Deputy Director; Fay Amerson, LURM Urban Manager

On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, second by Supervisor Staples, the agenda was approved by voice vote with no withdrawals.

On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, second by Citizen Member Badame, the October 19, 2015 Land Conservation Committee meeting minutes were approved by voice vote.

Chair Russell inquired as to the status of the post lake evaluation questionnaire that was sent out by Land Use and Resource Management (LURM) to the respective lake committees. Michael Cotter, Director of LURM/Deputy Corporation Counsel, stated that the questionnaire was sent out and since a few of them only meet twice a year, he would have to follow-up with the lake committees.

Public Comment – There was none.

New Business

- Discussion/Possible Action – County Board appointment to Pabst Lake District Board of Commissioners: Dave Bourenske – Michael Cotter

Cotter recapped the last meeting and stated that Chair Butler of Pabst Lake District provided Dave Bourenske's name as a new appointment candidate. Cotter stated the Land Conservation Committee (LCC) is responsible for appointing the candidate.

Supervisor Kilkenny made a motion for LURM to send the Notice of Interest questionnaire form to Dave Bourenske to obtain his qualifications and reason to serve, second by USDA/FSA Representative Polyock. Motion carried 5-0.

- Discussion/Possible Action – B.R. Amon and Sons Receivership Progress – Fay Amerson

Cotter, Shannon Haydin, LURM Deputy Director, and Fay Amerson, LURM Urban Manager, gave an educational presentation regarding Land Conservation Division (LCD) Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation, B.R. Amon and Sons/Amon Land Co. Receivership Proceedings. Amerson stated B.R. Amon & Sons operated eight active mining sites in Walworth County in 2013; three mining sites were owned and operated by B.R. Amon (Richmond, Potters, and Williams Bay); one mining site was co-owned with Mann Brothers (Whitewater

Limestone); and four mining sites were leased by B.R. Amon and Sons (Junker, Whelan, Wilson & Friemoth). She said all of the mining sites operated under a County Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Permit, a County approved reclamation plan, and were covered with reclamation bonds.

Discussion followed focusing on the permit and bonding process, foreign materials being brought onto the property, conditional use amendments, and requirement of interim or contemporaneous reclamation.

- Discussion/Possible Action – Walworth County Land and Water Resource Management Plan - 5 Year Extension Approval – Michael Cotter

Haydin stated LURM is required by the State to have a land and water resource management plan. A five year extension was approved for approximately \$250,000 a year to cover operating costs and additional funds to assist with cost share programs. She said there may be a few changes to the scope of the plan and LURM will work on an update closer to the two year mark rather than the full five years.

Confirmation of next meeting – The next meeting was confirmed for Monday, December 14, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

**On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, second by Supervisor Staples, the meeting adjourned at 3:22 p.m.
Motion carried 5-0.**

Submitted by Trisha Sommers, Administrative Clerk. Meeting minutes are not considered final until approved by the committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting.