

**Walworth County Board of Supervisors
Land Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 18, 2016 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 Vice Chair Charlene Staples at 2:09 p.m.

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

Others in Attendance:

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

Chairperson Nominations/Elections

Vice Chair Staples turned the election process over to Michael Cotter, Director of Land Use and Resource Management (LURM)/Deputy Corporation Counsel.

Cotter, announced that nominations for the Land Conservation Committee Chairperson were open.

On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, seconded by Citizen Member Badame, Supervisor Staples was nominated for Land Conservation Committee Chairperson. Cotter asked if there were any other nominations. There were none. On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, seconded by Citizen Member Badame, nominations were closed.

Supervisor Kilkenny made a motion, second by Supervisor Russell, to elect Supervisor Staples as Land Conservation Committee Chairperson. Motion carried 5-0

On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, second by USDA/FSA Representative Polyock, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.

On motion by Citizen Member Badame, second by Supervisor Russell, the November 16, 2015 Land Conservation Committee meeting minutes were approved.

Public Comment – There was none.

New Business

- Discussion/Possible Action – Results received from lake districts regarding lake district officer salaries – Michael Cotter

Cotter referred to the results of the Walworth County Land Conservation Committee Request for Compensation Information on Pages 4 and 5 of the packet and gave a brief overview. Cotter stated that Joyce Ketchpaw, who requested a survey be sent out, was informed that this item was on the Agenda for today's meeting. Supervisor Russell suggested that the survey results be sent to all survey participants. Discussion followed regarding the results. Citizen Member Badame asked who is responsible for setting the salaries. Cotter referred to Wisconsin State Statute Chapter 33.30(4)(c) that refers to the Annual meeting and establishing compensation to be paid the district board commissioners.

Supervisor Kilkenny made a motion, second by Citizen Member Badame, to place the survey results on file. Motion carried 5-0.

- Discussion/Possible Action – Pabst Lake District Notice of Interest as County Representative – David Bourenske – Michael Cotter

Cotter referred to the Notice of Interest to Serve as a Lake District Citizen Representative for David Bourenske on Page 6 of the packet and gave a brief overview. Cotter stated the candidate was informed of the meeting today.

Supervisor Kilkenny made a motion, second by USDA/FSA Representative Polyock, to approve the appointment of David Bourenske. Motion carried 5-0.

- Discussion/Possible Action – 2016 WI Land+Water Dues – Michael Cotter

Cotter gave a brief overview of the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association and stated that the dues were specifically included in the budget. Shannon Haydin, LURM Deputy Director gave a brief overview of the value of working with this agency. Chair Staples inquired as to the extra Standards Oversight Council fee of \$350. Hayden said when the State updates the administrator codes the council assists in facilitating those changes and gives the County a voice.

Supervisor Kilkenny made a motion, second by Citizen Member Badame, to approve and continue the 2016 Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association Dues. Motion carried 5-0.

Confirmation of next meeting – The next meeting was confirmed for Monday, February 15, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

On motion by Supervisor Kilkenny, second by Citizen Member Badame, the meeting adjourned at 2:21 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.