

**CALUMET COUNTY
LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
March 9, 2023
THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED**

1. Meeting Announcement and Posting

The meeting was properly announced and posted. Hofberger called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Hofberger, Voight, Kesler, Pagel-Holzschuh, Hansen, Gentz

Staff Members Present for All or Part of the Meeting: Reali, Piper, Jalonon

Others Present for All or Part of the Meeting; Elizabeth Asendorf (Glacierland RC & D)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Gentz and second by Voight to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2023 Committee Meeting

Motion by Kesler and second by Voight to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2023 Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Participation (if requested by Committee Chair)

Voight and Kesler attended the Land and Water Conference, March 1-3, 2023. They both said it was a great learning experience and shared some highlights of the different meeting breakouts that they attended. Pagel-Holzschuh attended the Statewide Phosphorus Conference that was held on Feb 7, 2023 in Milwaukee. She shared information from that meeting.

7. Report of Committee Members

None

8. Agency and Association Reports

a) NRCS Report; If in attendance

Asendorf gave updates on NRCS. She did indicate that the 36 EQIP applications were approved for funding.

b) FSA Report; If in attendance

Hansen gave an update.

c) UW Extension; If in attendance



None

d) Glacierland RC&D

Asendorf gave an update on what she has been working on. She indicated that she went to the Grazing Conference that was held February 1-3, 2023 in the Dells and shared what she learned there. She also shared that she went to a career fair to promote some Glacierland positions and some opportunities for NRCS. Asendorf said that they were awarded the County Wide Aquatic Invasive Species Grant from the DNR.

9. Communications

a) DATCP Report; February 2023 (if available)

Reali gave the new updates for February and March. He indicated that the 2022 DATCP project accounts were closed out for the year.

b) Glacierland RC&D; If in attendance

None

10. Items for Action or Discussion

a) Brian Maedke: USDA-APHIS- Maedke was not able to attend the meeting.

- **Presentation on Wildlife Damage Abatement Program**

b) Process for Producing a Resolution of County Board or WI Land & Water

Reali explained how the resolution process works. He indicated the first step of the process is that the resolution would go to the area association or appropriate committee, unless something is very time sensitive. It would then go to another committee before going to the organization or County Board. Pagel-Holzschuh had more questions regarding a resolution with foreign land ownership in Wisconsin that she was interested in. She was going to do some more research before bringing it to the correct committee.

c) Discussion on Winnebago Waterways Multi-County Agreement

Reali indicated that currently the Winnebago Waterways Multi-County Agreement ends at the end of this year, 2023. He shared that the new agreement is very similar with two changes, the first change is with the amount of funding that is requested, and the second change is that Waushara County is now in the agreement, which they were not in the past, so they are also providing funding.

d) Resolution to Amend the 2023 Budget for Additional Multi-Discharger Variance Funding

Reali explained the reason we need to amend the resolution is that the budgeted anticipated revenues and expenditures under the MDV Program was \$13,740. DNR then notified Reali that the 2023 MDV payment would be \$105,815 so we need the County Board of Supervisors to authorize the Finance Director to make the necessary budget adjustments to reflect the change. This money is for NR151 compliance and to provide a practice that provides the largest phosphorus reduction we can. This is a temporary program. The amendment is needed so we can accept the money.

Motion by Voight to accept the resolution to move along the process to make the budget amendment and second by Pagel-Holzschuh. Motion carried unanimously.

e) Discussion on 2022 Calumet County MS4 Annual Report

Jalonen gave highlights on the Annual Report for the MS4 Permits. Every five years they issue a new permit and at the end of 2023 is when ours expires. Jalonen indicated that there are conditions that are required with these permits, we are required to meet six out of eight topics per year but need to meet all of them during the cycle of the five years.

f) Resolution Authorizing an Urban Nonpoint Source & Stormwater Source Planning Grant Application

Jalonen went over the details of what the resolution consists of. We need the County Board approval of the resolution for us to apply for a grant from the DNR. A cost-sharing agreement is requested to carry out the project.

Motion by Voight to send to board for approval of resolution, second by Kesler. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Report of Department

a) Staff Reports

Reali gave updates on what he has been working on and what his staff has been working on this past month.

12. Upcoming/Past Events

None

13. Next Meeting Date- April 6, 2023; 1:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 1:00 pm.

14. Adjourn

Hofberger adjourned the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Piper, Recording Secretary