

**SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LAND RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 8, 2020
Room 213, Sauk County West Square Building**

Land Resources and Environment (LRE) Committee members present: M. Krueger, D. Polivka, R. Nelson, R. Curry, P. Kinsman, B. Lohr, V. McAuliffe, and R. Puttkamer.

Others present: L. Wilson, M. Schlupp, and K. Felton.

Absent: None

At 9:00 a.m. Chair Krueger called the Land Resources and Environment Committee meeting to order and certified to be in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

Adopt agenda: Motion by Polivka/Curry to adopt the agenda. Motion carried, all in favor.

Adopt minutes of previous meetings – September 29, 2020: Motion by Curry/McAuliffe to approve the September 29 LRE Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried, all in favor.

Public Comment:
None

Communications:

Wilson reviewed the communications received:

a. Hemlock Dam LUA

Wilson noted that staff met with the DNR to discuss the contents of the agreement. The intention is to place this item on the October 27th Committee Agenda. Wilson noted that she would circle around to the DNR to make them aware that the document will be released; and the Committee should have that by next week. Krueger noted conversations with the Town Chair of LaValle and the potential for a Committee meeting in LaValle to discuss the item.

b. Geotechnical Study

Wilson noted that the contractor is ahead of schedule and outlined the upcoming task items to be completed. Krueger noted that Dane County has indicated that their portion is in the preliminary budget.

Land Records:

a. Department report and updates: Felton presented the Polivka/McAuliffe to approve vouchers in the amount of \$114,733.45. Motion carried, all in favor.

Register of Deeds:

a. Department reports and updates. Bailey was unable to make it to the meeting. Krueger noted that any questions can be sent to Mr. Bailey.

b. Review and approval of vouchers. Bailey presented ROD vouchers. Motion by McAuliffe/Kinsman to approve vouchers in the amount of \$10,781.63. Motion carried, all in favor.

Land Resources and Environment Department:

a. Department reports and updates. Wilson reviewed the department report and provided updates to the committee.

b. Review and approval of vouchers. Wilson reviewed the department vouchers. Motion by Lohr/Curry to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$102,272.08. Motion carried, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action on a Resolution Approving a Cooperative Agreement with Upper Sugar River Watershed Association and Authorization to Submit Grant Application for Surface Water Grant Program:

Wilson provided background on the project. Motion by Polivka/Nelson to approve the resolution for a cooperative agreement with Upper Sugar River Watershed Association and Authorization to submit the grant application for Surface Water Grant Program. Motion carried, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action on Water Quality Trading Agreements for Businesses with WPDES Permits

Schulpp outlined the request that was received for WQT from an industrial WPDES permit holder. Committee discussed the pros and cons of these types of agreements. Motion by Polivka/Puttkamer to move forward with the project providing that staff costs are 100% reimbursed by the for-profit business. Motion carried, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action on a Management Application Project

Wilson outlined the project. Committee agreed that this was a vital project for the County. Motion by Polivka/Lohr to approve the CJCC Management Application Project. Motion carried, all in favor.

Reports

- a. Natural Resources Conservation (NRCS) – No updates.
- b. Farm Service Agency (FSA) – No updates.
- c. Foresters – No updates.
- d. Economic Development Committee – Krueger stated that funding was added to the Administrative budget for projects. Krueger stated that there will be a Trail Commission meeting on October 21st at 3:30 to tour the trail. Krueger stated that a meeting will be pulled together with Town and City officials of Baraboo to discuss locations for the trail connection.
- e. Mirror Lake District – The group has not met.
- f. Lake Virginia Management District – Nelson stated that the annual meeting was September 12th. Nelson stated that there was a report on invasive species management activities. Nelson stated that there was a discussion on repairing the dam and the level of the lake. Nelson noted that there was discussion on Reynolds Park and Metcalf Park restoration efforts.
- g. Lake Redstone Management District – Kinsman stated that they have not met, but have started on one of the gabion projects.

Krueger provided an update on Finance Committee decisions to not finance SCDC next year. Krueger noted the decision was unanimous. Krueger noted that Supervisor Czuprynski will be present at the October 27th meeting to discuss Timme's Mill.

Next meetings of the Land Resources and Environment Committee will be held at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 27; and Thursday, November 12, 2020. Motion by Curry/Kinsman to adjourn at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Curry, Secretary