

**SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LAND RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 25, 2021
County Board Room
Sauk County West Square Building**

Land Resources and environment (LRE) committee member present: M. Krueger, R. Nelson, R. Curry, P. Kinsman, B. Lohr, D. Polivka, R. Puttkamer

Others Present: L.Wilson, B.Simmert, L.Digmann, G.Templin/Steward, W.Christensen, C. Fowler, E. Soderberg, M Lohse, R. Meister, J Spencer

Absent: V. McAuliffe

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

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

Adopt minutes of previous meeting- May 13, 2021 – Motion by Curry/Kinsman to approve the May 13, 2021 LRE Committee meeting minutes with a correction noted under the reports for the Lake Virginia Management District, which should read “Nelson” rather than Krueger. Motion carried, all in favor

Public comment none

Communications Wilson presented the monthly pollen flyer for the month of May, also reminded everyone of the Pasture Walk on May 27, 2021 hosted by Greg Bricker, and the Sacred Earth Pollinator Field Day on June 9, 2021; if interested.

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Review and approval of vouchers - Motion by Nelson/Polivka to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$14,217.87. Motion carried, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action to select a date for the Committee Conservation Tour

Wilson presented 2 dates for the tour, Thursday September 16th or Friday September 17th, 2021. Committee agreed that Friday September 17, 2021 at 9:00am would work best everyone.

Public hearing: To begin at approximately 9:15 a.m. (Committee to consider and take possible action at the conclusion of the respective hearing)

a. Petition 04-2021. Discussion and possible action on a postponed petition from Dana and Logan Sechler / Lo Bar Ranch LLC, to consider a conditional use permit for an Stable and Equine Facility, pursuant to s. 7.027(12) and a conditional use permit for a Resort, pursuant to s. 7.036(6) on land owned by Dana and Logan Sechler. Said existing conditional use(s) is located in the Town of Dellona, Sauk County.

Templin-Steward provided the updated background, and timeline of the request as well as; staff findings, town recommendations and conditions should the committee approve the request. Some of the concerns are two way driveway width, parking and loading, and traffic.

Dana Sechler, applicant, addressed some issues that were of concern. Sechler spoke in regards to Act 67 and how it relates to conditional use permits.

Polivka asked Sechler if he had contacted any of the Fire, EMS or Police departments in regards to safety issues on the highway and on his property. Sechler noted he had not.

Nelson was wondering what minimum changes would have to be made to continue his current business. Sechler stated he would have to extend the existing arena and add another outdoor arena twice the size of the indoor arena. Nelson also asked if the cabins were two story. Sechler said the cabins would be one story with a loft area.

Curry asked how many cars would be there on a normal day versus a show day. Sechler said a normal day the potential of 6-7 cars and on show days there could be anywhere from 25-50 cars. Clinic day possible 16-18 cars.

Nelson was wondering how people would get from the over flow parking space to the arena. Sechler said they would walk on a gravel lane to the arena and will not have to walk on the highway. Signs are posted to provide direction to people walking.

Polivka asked how many horse trailers there would be if there were 25-30 participants. Sechler said as of now participants are using LoBar horses and outside participants would have to bring their own horse. But they were not ready for outside participants yet.

Lynn Eberl, Town of Dellona, appeared with the towns concerns. The town is not in favor of approving such a large plan. The town will not approve unlimited expansion, but would consider approving limited services as provided now. He also stated that trash would have to be deposited of and the town of Dellona picks up trash from residents only and there are no landfills. Eberl explained concerns with the road use.

Curry agrees with the Town of Dellona. Curry questioned the difference between this and Auto motion traffic that was in the Dells this past weekend. Curry questioned the trash issue.

Polivka stated that he would vote to deny the conditional use permit for LoBar Stables and Equine facility, as there are many issues and no answers.

Nelson stated that he agreed with Polivka's points, as he would like to see the existing activity brought into compliance before bringing it to a larger scale.

Kinsman agreed that there are not enough answers and too many issues.

Polivka hopes that LoBar Stables will go back to the town of Dellona and work with them to gain compliance.

Krueger stated that Sechler should listen to the town of Dellona but also the Fire, EMS and Police recommendations. Krueger noted that this is a worthwhile operation but would like to see LoBar work on getting into compliance.

Motion by Polivka/Nelson to deny the Conditional Use Permit for LoBar Stables and Equine Facility based upon the staff findings of fact and conclusion. Motion carried, all in favor.

b. Petition 09-2021 from Ivan Troyer to consider a conditional use permits for a Home Based Business pursuant s. 7.033(1) (g) of the Sauk County Zoning Ordinance. Said conditional uses

are located in the Town of Westfield, Sauk County, in part of N ½, Section 30, T11N, R4E, and tax parcel identification number 040-0636-00000.

Christensen appeared and provided a background and history of the request. Christensen reviewed a staff report and findings associated with the request and concluded with recommended conditions should the committee approve. The Town of Westfield has no issues with this permit.

Ivan Troyer, applicant was present and is in favor of the request for his woodworking business based upon the staff findings of fact and conclusion, subject to the conditions noted in the staff memo. Motion by Curry/Kinsman to approve a conditional use permit for a home based business. Motion carried, all in favor

c. Petition 10-2021 from Daniel Yoder, to consider a conditional use permit for an Temporary Secondary Dwelling for Agricultural Use, pursuant to s. 7.037(7)(i) of the Sauk County Zoning Ordinance on land owned by Eli Yoder. Said existing conditional use is located in the Town of Woodland, Sauk County, located in part of the NE¼, NE¼, Section 33, T13N, R2E, tax parcel identification number 044-0658-00000. With approval from the Town of Woodland.

Christensen provided background and history of the request. Christensen reviewed a staff report and findings associated with the request and concluded with recommended conditions should the committee approve. The Town on Woodland has no issue with this permit.

Daniel Yoder, applicant appearing in favor of the request. Motion by Kinsman/Nelson to approve the conditional use permit for a temporary secondary dwelling for Ag use based upon the staff findings of fact and conclusions, subject to the conditions noted in the staff memo and approval by the Town of Woodland. Motion carried, all in favor.

d. Petition 11-2021. Ordinance Amendment. An amendment to the Sauk County Floodplain Zoning Ordinance to reflect more precise mapping of the map titled Hydraulic Shadow Dutch Hollow Lake Dam, Sauk County. The amendment will adopt, as part of the Sauk County Floodplain Zoning Ordinance, an update to the official map that identifies lands within the hydraulic shadow (dam breach) should the Dutch Hollow Lake Dam fail during a 100-year storm event and apply the provision of s.9.011 Floodway District.

Christensen appeared and provided background and history of the request. Christensen reviewed a staff report and findings associated with the request. The Town of LaValle noted that did not plan to take official action, but supported the amendment. Motion by Kinsman/Curry. Motion carried, all in favor.

Next meeting dates - Thursday, June 10th, and Tuesday, June 29th, 2021

Motion by Curry/Nelson to Adjourn at 11:20am. Motion carried, all in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Curry, Secretary