

## GREEN COUNTY LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

USDA Service Center  
1627 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue West  
Monroe, Wisconsin

Thursday, May 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM. Those present were Oscar Olson, Jeff Williams, Kristi Leonard, Erica Roth, Ken Hodgson, Dudley Timm, Chris Newberry, Tonya Gratz, Teresa Zimmer, Jason Thomas, Todd Jenson, Jerry Guth, and members of the public.

Jenson requested nominations for a Chair of the committee. Leonard nominated Olson. On a voice vote Olson was selected as Chair.

Olson requested nominations for a Vice-Chair of the committee. Hodgson nominated Williams. On a voice vote Williams was selected as Vice-Chair.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved on a motion by Roth, second by Hodgson. Motion carried.

The April bills were audited in the amount of \$12,506.69. A motion was made by Leonard, second by Roth approve the bills. Motion carried.

Thomas reviewed the operational agreement, civil rights, and equal opportunity with NRCS.

The committee discussed a possible extension to the moratorium on animal feedlot permitting. A motion was made by Hodgson, second by Williams to extend the moratorium six months. Motion carried.

Jenson informed the committee the next Southern Area Association meeting is May 24 in Madison. Roth said she would be able to go with Jenson.

Zimmer informed the committee that ARC/PLC is winding down. They have a volunteer from Blackhawk Tech through the month. Staff members will be helping with youth conservation day tomorrow. Two MPP dairy informational meetings were held last month.

Thomas informed the committee there are 68 EQIP contracts applied. They have been focusing on the Spring Creek watershed. There is currently a honey bee program. The new employee will be working on the implementation on EQIP contracts.

Gratz informed the committee that youth conservation day is tomorrow. She has been working on her job description for the wage study.

Newberry informed the committee 7400 trees were sold. He, along with UW-Extension have been training eleven citizen monitors for stream sampling. They will be testing for temperature, dissolved oxygen, clarity, and flow.

In committee concerns, Jenson was asked to give an update on Pinnacle Dairy. He stated that wells 10, 11, and 12 have been drilled and are being developed. He has been going out each day this week to monitor the water levels in wells one and five. In public comments, the committee was commended for the extension on the animal feedlot moratorium.

A motion was made by Hodgson, second by Williams to convene into closed session under S.S.19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment of a public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hodgson, second by Williams to reconvene in open session.

A motion was made by Timm, second by Hodgson to offer the Soil Conservation Aide position to Tyler Newcomer, with Cody Boyd as a backup in case Newcomer declines. Motion carried.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 7, 2018, beginning at 9:30 AM at the USDA Service Center.

A motion was made by Williams, second by Leonard to adjourn. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.