

Meeting Minutes
Forest County Land and Water Resources
Thursday, May 8th, 2014

1. The call to order was given by Chairman Karl Tauer at 5:00 p.m. in room 107 of the Forest County Courthouse.
2. The roll was called and members present included Paul Millan, Cheri Collins, Karl Tauer, Larry Sommer, Jim Stormer, and Larry Berg. Member Mike Albrecht was absent. ZA Pam LaBine was present along with Jeannie Fannin, Deputy ZA and members of the audience, Del Baumgartner, Kathy Gibbs, and Ron Krueger.
3. Motion to approve the agenda: Larry Sommer, Second Larry Berg. , all in favor, motion approved.
4. Motion to approve January and Aprils minutes by Cheri Collins, second by Karl Tauer. All in favor, motion approved.
5. Map Approval: There were two maps up for discussion, both were preliminary. Discussion on the Millan map in Armstrong Creek regarding keeping in line with existing lots and the wetland. Paul Millan will talk to the landowner regarding their intentions. Motion to table by: Jim Stormer, Second by Larry Sommer. All in favor, motion approved. The second map was in the Town of Hiles on Pine Lake. Pam LaBine stated she was on this property and noted that there is no way to get a driveway in through the wetland. Motion to table these two maps by Jim Stormer, Second by Larry Sommer. Motion to table by Larry Berg, Second by Larry Sommer. All in favor, motion approved.
6. Discussion on renewal of Baas Inspection agency contract for the UDC inspections. Pam LaBine told the committee that this new contract would go to March 18, 2017. Jim Stormer stated that Mr. Baas has been really reasonable. Motion to approve new contract by Jim Stormer, second by Larry Sommer. All in favor, motion approved.
7. Discussion on Bid approval for transfer pads in the Towns of Lincoln and Wabeno. Smith Concrete had low bid at \$2,820 for two (2) 10 x 40 pads. Larry Sommer will be the contact person for the Town of Lincoln and Ed Piontek will be the contact person for the Town of Wabeno. Motion to approve bid by Larry Sommer, Second by Jim Stormer. All in favor, Motion approved.
8. Discussion on Impervious Surface standards: Pam LaBine explained that the new NR115 is requiring 15% impervious surface with a 35' vegetative buffer, so we want to change our ordinance to the same wording. Also, anything greater than 300 ft. from the OHWM does not require impervious surface standards. This would get rid of the wording in our ordinance for general rural areas. The vegetative buffer could be accomplished by going to a no mow requirement in the ordinance. If the natural shoreyard is sand, the sand will stay land owners will not be required to plant.

9. Discussion on Impervious Surface definition: Our current definition reads: The footprint of structures or land areas where precipitation is essentially unable to infiltrate into the soil. Such surfaces include but are not limited to: roadways and pathways that are paved, graveled, or compacted, roof patios, decks and similar areas. (excluding paving blocks and stones set in sand for pathways).
The new definition reads: Impervious surface means an area that releases as runoff all or a majority of the precipitation that falls on it. Impervious surface excludes frozen soil but includes rooftops, sidewalks, driveways parking lots, and streets unless specifically designed, constructed and maintained to be pervious. A county may exclude from the calculation any impervious surface where the property owner can show that runoff from the impervious surface is treated by devices such as storm water ponds, constructed wetlands, infiltration basins rain gardens bio swales or other engineered systems, or that the runoff discharges to internally drained pervious areas that retain the runoff on the parcel to allow infiltration into the soil.
10. Pam LaBine suggested making erosion a violation under the nuisance ordinance. The wording would be in a created section 4.20 that reads: Any movement of soil or water across property lines or to an area given higher protection by ordinance, such as the 35 ft shore line buffer or any setback would constitute a violation of the Forest county Nuisance Ordinance and be subject to the fines and penalties contained within. This would apply to man made erosion. Naturally occurring erosion would not be included in this.
11. It was decided to wait to schedule the public hearing, until there is more discussion on the subjects.
12. Discussion on Land and Water Dept. activities. Pam LaBine suggested moving the recycling program to the LCC committee. She also explained that any ordinance that has to do with grading and stormwater control must be approved by referendum. It might be advisable to use zoning as a vehicle to get the ordinance passed. Paul Millan will check into the ordinance change in the LCC requiring a referendum. Pam will consult with North Central Planning regarding ordinance changes for farmland preservation and shoreland zoning.
13. There were no issues of concern for the next meeting
14. Discussion on Definition of "Waters of the US". Pam LaBine received a request from Oneida County to bring the new definition to the attention of Forest County Supervisors, and to possibly pass a resolution against. Motion by Jim Stormer for resolution against, Second by Larry Berg. All in favor, Motion approved. ZA will write the motion and forward to corp counsel.
15. The next meeting will be June 11, 2014 at 5:00 pm in the Forest County Board Room.
16. Motion to adjourn by Jim Stormer, Second by Larry Sommer, all in favor, motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.

Submitted by: _____ 05/09/2014