Meeting Minutes

Forest County Land Conservation Committee

Tuesday, March 14th 2017. 5:30pm

1. The call to order was made by Chairman Paul Millan at 5:30 p.m. in room 107, the Forest County Boardroom.

2. The roll was called and members present included Chairman Paul Millan, Committee members; Karl Tauer, Lance Laabs, Al Marvin, FSA member Dave Bula. Absent were Larry Sommer and Dan Huettl. Administrator Pam LaBine, Deputy Zoning Admin. Jeanie Fannin and Technician Bill Lester were also present.

3. Motion by Dave Bula to approve the agenda. Second by Lance Laabs, all in favor, motion approved.

4. Motion by Lance Laabs to approve the minutes from the last meeting, second by Alan Marvin, all in favor, motion approved.

5. An update was given regarding the progress on the Bog Brook Dam. Flambeau Engineering is currently working on the HEC-RAS modeling to determine the flood plain and elevations. Once this model is completed we can proceed. In the meantime, the DNR has approved the use of a different type of remote monitoring system called Echo. Motion by Lance Laabs to purchase the different type of electronic monitoring called the Echo. Second by Karl Tauer, all in favor, motion approved.

6. Discussion was held on the LIDAR Resolution. When the grant was wrote the DNR considered it complete with our budget resolution with LIDAR as a line item. Now that it’s time to disperse the grant funds, that resolution isn’t sufficient. The DNR would like a single resolution passed by the county board. The Corporate Council will review and make the necessary changes to the resolution. Motion by Karl Tauer to forward the single LIDAR Resolution to the full County Board. Second by Alan Marvin, all in favor, motion approved.

7. Discussion was held on the Little Rice Resolution. Little Rice was denied the grant money, but if/when more funds become available they can reapply. Regardless this item needs a motion to forward the resolution to the full county board. Motion by Dave Bula to forward resolution to Full County Board. Second by Lance Laabs, all in favor, motion approved.

8. An update was given on the Land & Water Plan, and the committee reviewed the 2018 DATCP grant application. Motion by Dave Bula to approve the Grant Application. Second by Karl Tauer, all in favor, Motion approved.

9. Discussion was held regarding the Natural Heritage Inventory Data License (NHI). The department has had access to the NHI portal for years now and have not used it enough to justify its expenses on top of that we are only allowed township level access. Motion by Alan Marvin to recommend not renewing the NHI Data Base License. Second by Lance Laabs, all in favor, motion approved.

10. The committee was informed of an Aerial survey to better define the geology of the upper Midwest. Local governments will be able to use the data to guide land use decisions.

11. Motion to adjourn by Dave Bula, second by Alan Marvin, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:00pm

Submitted by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_12/08/16