

FOREST COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION-LAND INFORMATION-GIS-UWEXT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FOREST COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION-LAND INFORMATION-GIS-UWEXT COMMITTEE
DATE: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2021
TIME: 4:30 PM
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM, 107

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gretzinger called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Land Conservation-Land Information-GIS-UWEXT Committee: Cindy Gretzinger, Karl Tauer, Lance Laabs, Larry Sommer, Brian Piasini

Land Information Council: None in attendance

UWEX: Michelle Gobert (present), Nancy Crevier (present), Terri Kolb (online), Chris Stark (present), Karly Harrison (present), Amber Rehberg (present), May Jagodzinski (present)

Absent: Jason Neilitz

OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Herreid, Derek Thorne, Steve Kircher, Kayla Littleton, Sandy Beauchaine

APPROVE AGENDA:

Motion by Laabs to approve agenda, seconded by Tauer. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None in attendance

APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES from the April 28, 2021, Joint Land Conservation and Land Information - GIS - UWEXT Committee. Motion by Piasini to approve the April 28, 2021 meeting minutes, second by Sommer. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

UWEXT

There was an introduction and welcome aboard to Amber Rehberg, New Area 4 Director.

There was an introduction and welcome aboard to May Jagodzinski, Extension Summer Intern.

There was a discussion on the 4H Role & Responsibilities at the Forest County Fair given by Michelle Gobert. A suggestion to hold the Youth Expo prior to the start of school in August was had so that the children who participate in 4H can have more of a face-to-face interaction with the judges. If the Youth

Expo is to be held prior to the start of school, UWEXT has a Youth Fair Coordinator that Gobert would like to reach out to for additional help.

There was a discussion on where the Youth Expo will be held in the future due to the unsafe conditions at the Fair Grounds.

There was an educator update given by UWEX staff:

- Terri Kolb, Health and Well-being
- Chris Stark, Community and Economic Development Educator
- Karly Harrison, FoodWise Coordinator, Florence/Forest/Oneida/Vilas counties
- Michelle Gobert, Youth Development Educator

LAND CONSERVATION PROGRAM

There was an introduction and welcome to Kayla Littleton, Conservation/GIS Technician.

There was a discussion on the Cost Share program given by Kircher. A request was made by the Committee that all Cost Share contracts going forward need to be reviewed and approved by the Committee before the project begins.

There was a discussion and welcome to Derek Thorne, FLOW AIS Coordinator.

There was a discussion on the FSA Report, June 2021 given by Kircher.

There was a program update given by Kircher. Kircher and Sommer will be attending the 2021 5-year review Land Conservation Program in Madison. (date to be announced soon)

The Shoreland Restoration Programs are off to a great start with lots of applications coming in.

LAND INFORMATION PROGRAM

There was an introduction and welcome to Peter Herreid, WLIP Grant Director.

There was a discussion on the WLIP Grant Program review given by Herreid and Kircher.

Forest County currently has three (3) grants.

1. Training Grant
2. Base Budget
3. Strategic Initiative Grant

There was a discussion on the WLIP Grant Application and approval. A motion to approve the revised applications for 2019, 2020, and 2021 was made by Gretzinger, second by Tauer. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

There was an update on the PLSS given by Kircher. Anderson is currently working on six (6) section corners at this time, along with currently developing an RFP with bordering counties to join together in gathering and sharing information with Forest County.

DISCUSSION ON OTHER ISSUES AS IDENTIFIED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS – FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items: UWEXT Youth Expo

SET JULY MEETING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION

A discussion to set the next meeting date, time, and location in July was done. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 28, at 3:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, Room 107.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, motion by Piasini to adjourn, second by Laabs. All present voting AYE. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the next scheduled Land Conservation – Land Information – GIS – UWEXT Committee meeting.