

# **FOREST COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION-LAND INFORMATION-GIS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

COMMITTEE: FOREST COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION-LAND INFORMATION-GIS-COMMITTEE  
DATE: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2022  
TIME: 2:00 PM  
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM, ROOM 107

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Gretzinger called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Land Conservation-Land Information-GIS Committee: Cindy Gretzinger, Ron Karl, William Chaney, Tom Tallier, Brian Piasini, Steve Kircher, Kayla Littleton, Jamie Anderson, Sandy Beauchaine

Land Information Council: Christy Conley

Absent: Rick Denton

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sam Wessel and Dennis Lawrence from NCWRPC

## **APPROVE AGENDA:**

Motion by Chaney to approve agenda, seconded by Karl. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment; None in attendance

**APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES** from the April 27, 2022, Joint Land Conservation and Land Information - GIS - UWEXT Committee. Motion by Piasini to approve the April 22, 2022 meeting minutes, seconded by Tallier. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

## **LAND CONSERVATION**

There was a discussion on the Land & Water Five Year Plan and approval with LWRB given by Steve Kircher.

There was a discussion on the Forest County Comprehensive Plan with Sam Wessel, and Dennis Lawrence both from NCWRPC. Lawrence spoke on how NCWRPC will be working with Kircher and Littleton on the 9 chapters over the next few months, which will be approximately four meetings in total. Wessel updated the Committee regarding the demographics of the Forest County Comprehensive Plan. A recommendation that the LC – LI – GIS Committee proceed with solely taking care of the FC Comprehensive Plan following the completion of the meetings was made. Motion made by Tallier to send a resolution for the Public Participation Plan (PPP) to the next Full County Board meeting being held on Tuesday, July 19, 2022, second by Chaney. All present voting AYE. Motion carried. Committee wants

Kircher to follow up with Paul Payant, Corporate Council and Nora Matuszewski, Forest County Clerk/Administrative Coordinator.

There was a discussion on treatment of terrestrial invasive species in Forest County given by Kircher. Kircher would like to Highway Department to start cutting back road sides so that the Land & Water Department can start spraying road sides. Once this is done Kircher and Littleton will ask the Forestry Committee and the Department for the use of their UTV when it is not in use. Committee gave Kircher and Littleton approval to start the project as soon as the roadsides are cut and the UTV is available. Committee would like an update at the next meeting.

There was a discussion on Municipalities PFAS testing given by Kircher. Kircher informed the Committee that he was informed by Tallier that Wabeno will be the first in Forest County to be tested for PFAS. Tallier said that the testing will take place in the State of Wisconsin and not at Northern Lakes because the State will not recognize the testing from Northern Lakes, and that doing it at the State level there is a consistency by using one place. The testing at this time is free to any municipalities, but down the road may not be.

#### **LAND INFORMATION PROGRAM**

There was a discussion and possible action on RFP contracts for PLSS. Motion to approve the request for advertisement of the RFS Contract for the PLSS, then forward to Finance Committee for approval made by Tallier, second by Piasini. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

There was a discussion and possible action on establishing a Deputy LIO position and salary increase given by Littleton. Motion to establish a Deputy LIO position, establish a salary pay for the Deputy LIO to \$4,000.00, and updating the job description, along with a pay increase of \$2,000.00 for the LIO, to be forwarded to the Personnel Committee made by Chaney, second by Karl. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

An update on Forest County Comprehensive Plan

An update on spraying of Invasive Species in Forest County

#### **SET FEBRUARY MEETING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION**

A discussion to set the next meeting date, time, and location in June. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 27, at 1:00 pm in the County Board Room, 107.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, motion by Karl to adjourn, second by Piasini. All present voting AYE. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

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