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**CALUMET COUNTY
LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
JUNE 6, 2018
THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED**

1. Meeting Announcement and Posting

The meeting was properly announced and posted. Hofberger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Gentz, Laughrin, LaShay, Hartl, Hofberger

Committee Members Excused: Shiplett

Staff Members Present for All or Part of the Meeting; Reali, Faust, Grunewald

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by LaShay and second by Gentz to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes from May 2, 2018 Committee Meeting

Motion by Laughrin and second by Hartl to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2018 Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Participation (if requested by Committee Chair)

None

7. Committee Members Reports of Official Meetings Attended in the Last Month

Laughrin reported on the Land and Water Board Meeting he attended in Baraboo.

8. Agency and Association Reports

- **NRCS Report; If in attendance**

None

- **FSA Report; If in attendance**

None

9. Communications

- **DATCP Report; May & June 2018**

Reports were reviewed and discussed.

10. Items for Action or Discussion

- **Calumet County Land & Water Conservation Department Budget Amendment**
 - **North Branch Manitowoc River 9KE Watershed Plan Funding**

Reali reported we received funding from the DNR for a watershed planning proposal that he had submitted. These funds were not anticipated, therefore an amendment needs to be made to the 2018 budget. Discussion followed. Motion by Gentz and second by LaShay to support this plan funding and the budget amendment. Motion carried unanimously. This budget amendment will need to be approved by the Administrative Services Committee and forwarded to County Board for final approval.

- **Food, Land & Water Report – Surface Water Quality Workgroup**
 - **Workgroup Recommendations**

Reali gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining how three of the leading pollutants, phosphorus, nitrogen and sediment, affect the State of Wisconsin's surface water quality. Some of the goals include reducing statewide phosphorus runoff by 30% by year 2035, meeting all watershed TMDL targets within 20 years of TMDL approval and meeting the phosphorus concentration standards for impaired waters. Discussion followed.

11. Report of Department

- **Conservation Project Technician Update**

Grunewald reported on all the projects he has been working on. These projects consist of the recent tree sale, the non-metallic mining program, waste storage permitting and other technical assistance projects.

- **Water Resource Specialist Update/2018 Preliminary Groundwater Testing Data**

Reali presented information on the recent groundwater testing data. A total of 182 samples were taken. Targeted areas included New Holstein, Rantoul/Potter and Chilton. Preliminary numbers showed 21% bacteria positive, 5.5% E.coli positive and 15% with unsafe with nitrate levels.

- **Winnebago Waterways Update**

Handouts were included in the committee member's packets for review.

12. Upcoming Events

- **Groundwater Education Night; June 20; 6:30 PM; Courthouse; Room 025**

Representatives from Calumet Groundwater Guardians and Water and Environmental Analysis Lab will be present to help understand how to interpret the results of the group testing.

- **County Conservationists Meeting; July 19-20; Wisconsin Rapids**

Motion by Gentz and second by Laughrin to approve per diem for committee members who will be attending. Motion carried unanimously. Reali, Hofberger and Laughrin will be attending this meeting.

13. Next Meeting Date

- **Thursday, July 12 at 1 pm**

The next meeting will be held Thursday, July 12 at 1 p.m. due to the 4th of July holiday and other scheduling conflicts.

14. Adjourn

Motion by LaShay and second by Laughrin to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Rose Faust, Recording Secretary