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**CALUMET COUNTY  
PLANNING, ZONING, LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
June 4, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

**THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED**

**1. Meeting Announcement and Posting**

Chairperson Prescott called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**2. Roll Call**

Committee members present: Prescott, Mayer, Laughrin, Stillman, Ruhland, Hofberger & Kleckner

County Staff present for all or a portion of the meeting: Reali, Rohloff & Mooney.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

**4. Approved Agenda**

Motion by Stillman, seconded by Ruhland to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Approval of Minutes from May 7, 2014 Committee Meeting**

Motion by Hofberger, seconded by Stillman to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Public Participation (if Honored by Committee Chair)**

Members of the public were present, but there was no public comment under the Public Participation section of the agenda.

**7. Communications**

• **DATCP Report**

Reali reported on the May 2014 DATCP report.

The new ATCP 50 became law on May 1, 2014.

Reali reported that more scrutiny is being put on to Nutrient Management Plans and that submitting only the checklist is not acceptable and that a full plan meeting NRCS 590 needs to be submitted.

Reali reported that Todd Boehne is resigning from his position as State Soil and Water Conservation Engineer and is moving on to a position in Sioux Falls, SD.

• **Other**

Reali distributed an e-mail from Jimmy Bramblett of NRCS regarding their decision for grouping counties into EQIP Local Workgroups. Reali reported that the Local Workgroup decision has grouped Calumet County with Manitowoc County. This is the grouping that the PZLW Committee had requested of NRCS.

- **Other**

Real distributed Meeting/Expense Voucher directions and guidance for County Board/Committee Members to the Committee.

## **8. Convene Meeting and Enter Public Hearing**

At 9:07 a.m. the Committee entered the public hearing.

- **Petition 1: Pfister; Conditional Use; Chapter 82 (Zoning Code); Charlestown**

Committee member Mayer excluded himself from discussion and voting on this item due to his business relationship with Pfister.

Rohloff read the staff memo into the record. Donald Pfister was present and offered testimony. Pfister explained that he had purchased the property to utilize the farmland and did not have a need for the home site.

Rohloff indicated that he had spoken with Willie Geiser from the Town of Charlestown and that Geiser did not have any objections to the Conditional Use Permit.

A discussion was had regarding the number of lots that are allowed per 40 acres in the Town of Charlestown. Rohloff and Mooney indicated that 2 lots are allowed per 40 acres.

Motion by Hofberger, and seconded by Kleckner, to approve and issue the Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried unanimously with Mayer excluding himself.

## **9. Close Public Hearing and Reconvene Regular Committee Meeting**

The public hearing was closed and the regular meeting reconvened at 9:20 a.m.

## **10. Items for Discussion and Possible Action**

### **a. New Business**

- **ECWRPC; Eric Fowle; Annual Report**

Eric Fowle of ECWRPC distributed the 2013-2014 annual report as well as a summary of Annual Report Highlights in Calumet County. Fowle gave a presentation on the Annual Report highlighting the accomplishments in Calumet County as well as other accomplishments throughout the region.

Fowle reported that Calumet County's population is nearing the 50,000 mark which will require an additional member from the County on the Commission. Typically the new member from the County would be the Mayor of the County's largest city.

Fowle reported that he has been in discussions with Fond du Lac and Green Lake counties regarding their potential membership in the Commission.

Fowle reported that the Commission has received an award for their work on the Kimberly Mill Site Redevelopment Master Plan. Committee member Laughrin suggested that Fowle send details regarding the award so that staff could distribute to local entities.

Fowle reminded the committee that 2014 Technical Assistance Request forms will be sent out in August and that the requests will be due in November.

## **11. Agency and Association Reports**

Reali gave a brief report on some NRCS programs:

- EQIP – Cover Crop and GLRI signups in progress
- EQIP Local Workgroup meeting tentatively set for July 22<sup>nd</sup> at the courthouse in Chilton.

## **12. Department Report**

- Reali distributed a report from the Spring County Conservationist meeting which included reports from some of the individual WLWCA committees.
- Reali reported on the Tree Sales program for 2014. Reali reported that advance orders added up to 4200 trees which is down from last year. Extra trees that were available for customers sold out rather quickly with 245 being sold. Next year's order will probably include additional extra trees due to demand.
- Reali reported that he has been appointed Interim Director of the Resource Management Department. The recruitment and hiring of a new Director will begin after Interim Administrator Romenesko has met with staff to discuss direction of the department.
- Mooney gave an update on a Food Hub Assessment that was completed for the County. After discussion it was determined that a Food Hub may not be feasible in Calumet County without the involvement of partners. It was decided that Mooney would share the Food Hub Survey information with regional partners to gauge interest.
- Discussion was had regarding the state of the department in regard to the past merger. Committee member Laughrin indicated that he feels consideration should be given to the possibility of splitting the Land and Water staff back into an independent Land and Water Conservation Department. After discussion it was decided to place an item on the agenda for July's committee meeting.

## **13. Past Meetings/Upcoming Events (Possible Action to Approve Registration and Per Diems)**

- **May 16; Glacierland RC & D Full Council; Cleveland, WI**  
Hofberger reported that there was good discussion on the future of Glacierland due to the loss of USDA funding for the organization and the dependence on grant funds to stay in operation. Decision was made to no longer maintain the Green Bay office location but to maintain a Green Bay PO Box and 920 area code phone number. Hofberger indicated that he would keep the committee updated on the status of the organization.
- **June 18; LWLWCA LCC Training/Representative Election; Oshkosh**  
Laughrin, Hofberger, Stillman, & Kleckner indicated interest in attending. Motion was made by Stillman, and seconded by Ruhland to approve per diems to attend the event. Motion carried unanimously.

## **14. Discuss Next Meeting**

- **July 2, 2014**

The meeting date and time were set for July 2, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

## **15. Adjourn**

Motion by Laughrin, seconded by Ruhland, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Anthony Reali, Recording Secretary