

Kewaunee County Land and Water Conservation Regularly Scheduled Committee Meeting
Kewaunee County Fairgrounds Office December 8th, 2015 9:00 AM
Minutes

1) Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman John Pagel

2) Roll Call: Committee Members present: John Pagel, Ron Paider, Lee Luft, Clark Riemer

Excused Absence: Bob Garfinkel

LWCD and Cooperating Agency Staff present: County Conservationist, Davina Bonness; Kewaunee County Board Chairman, Ron Heuer; County Board Chairman, Larry Kirchman & Gary Paape; LCC advisor, Tom Konop; and Brian Maedtke (USDA) were present.

3) Approval/Repair of Agenda: Motion to accept the December 8th agenda as presented was made by Ron Paider and seconded by Lee Luft. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

4) Approval/Repair of November 10, 2015 Meeting Minutes: Motion to accept the November 10th meeting minutes as presented was made by Lee Luft and seconded by Ron Paider. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

5) Public Comments regarding the regularly scheduled Land and Water Conservation Meeting:

There were 3 public comments that all supported sending out the Non-resident landowner responsibility letter.

6) Department Reports:

a) *Animal Waste Storage Permits: None*

b) *Farmland Preservation/Standards and Prohibitions Walkovers*

Total Walkovers in November were six (6). Of the 6 completed, 3 were issued compliance schedules due to missing grassed waterways. All 3 waterways had been planted through and were no longer meeting the standard or functioning.

c) *Conservation Plans for Approval*

There were 5 plans for approval including Richard Schmidt; Kevin Paplham; Gregory Paplham; Johannes Wakker; and Pagel's Ponderosa

d) *Notice of Non-Compliance Updates*

--No NONC issued by LWCD

(1) *NOD by DNR– Buresh Farms – 11/13/15 – feed runoff through a storm water pipe and to a tile line into intermittent*

(2) *NOV by DNR – Stahl Brothers – 11/12/15 – manure spread through intermittent streams*

e) *Public Health & Groundwater Protection Ordinance Update*

Davina Bonness handed out one (1) variance requests for spreading locations. The committee discussed the variance. All maps and descriptions will be kept at the Land & Water Conservation Department.

1. Motion to approve Paul Wallace's Public Health & Groundwater Ordinance Spreading Variance Request was made by Ron Paider and seconded by Lee Luft. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

7) Cooperating Agency Reports:

a) **USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS): none**

b) **USDA APHIS Wildlife Services – Brian Maedtke**

1. Set 2015 WDACP 90% harvest date.

1. Motion to approve the WDACP 90% harvest date of December 15, 2015 was made by Ron Paider and seconded by Lee Luft. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

8) Letter to Non-Resident Landowners

Discussion among LCC was held.

Roll Call Vote to send out Non-Resident Landowner Responsibility letter as written was as follows:

- Yes Vote (1) – Lee Luft
- No Vote (3) – John Pagel, Ron Paider & Clark Riemer
- Absent Vote (1) – Bob Garfinkel

9. Other Matters:

1. Preliminary Result Summary (12/7/15) from the Kewaunee County Groundwater Study (Principal Investigators Mark Borchardt & Maureen Muldoon) were as follows:

Kewaunee Co. Results Summary 12-7-15

These results include all samples regardless of time received, except re-test samples are not included

Preliminary Data

Summary of results		
Samples analyzed for:		
Total coliform & E. coli	317	
Nitrate	320	
Positive wells^a	Number	%
Total coliform	86	27
E. coli	5	2
Nitrate > 10 mg L ⁻¹ N-NO ₃ ⁻	37	12

^aDoes not include re-test results

The team is validating depths to bedrock with well construction reports so data stratified by depth of bedrock will hopefully be completed in January.

Overall results were --- 110 wells (34%) were unsafe ie positive for either total coliform or high nitrate.

- 2. New position for a County Conservation Specialist was posted; resumes are due to the County Administrator by Tuesday, December 29th.
- 3. The LCC discussed a recent meeting held at Feeco International for the Kewaunee County Town Board Chairs that discussed new manure treatment and irrigation.
- 4. Ron Heuer discussed Kewaunee County was recently awarded a \$50,000 grant from the PSC to conduct a feasibility study regarding a manure processing hub-satellite initiative.
- 5. Lee Luft distributed the recent Groundwater Protection Bill that was introduced by State Legislatures Hansen & Genrich.
- 6. The Groundwater Task Force website is up and running and can be found at <http://www.co.kewaunee.wi.gov/section.asp?linkid=2374&locid=194>

10) Scheduling of Future Committee Meetings: Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 9:00am; Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 9:00am

11) Approval of Bills: Motion to accept the December 8, 2015 bills as presented was made by Ron Paider and seconded by Lee Luft. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

12) Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 AM was made by Lee Luft and seconded by Ron Paider. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Davina Bonness – Kewaunee County, County Conservationist