

Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
June 1, 2016
3:00 P.M.
Kewaunee County Administration Center
County Board Room

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Tom Romdenne at 3:00 PM.
2. Roll Call – Tom Romdenne, Gary Paape, Ron Paider, Jenny Spude, Claire Thompson, Aerica Bjurstrom. Chuck Wagner has an excused absence.
3. Approval of agenda and minutes made by Gary Paape/Ron Paider. Motion passed.
4. Approve Rules and Duties of Extension Education & Zoning Committee – The committee reviewed and did not feel any changes were needed for the guidelines. Motion to approve Rules and Duties of Extension and Education & Zoning Committee as written made by Gary Paape/Ron Paider. Motion passed.
5. WNEP Agreement Letter for FY17 Programming – Jenny Spude presented an agreement to the committee stating the Wisconsin Nutrition Education Program (WNEP) is a federally funded program, but counties support it by providing an office space, copying, phone, etc. The contract runs October 1, 2016 – September 31, 2017. A motion to approve the agreement made by Ron Paider/Gary Paape, motion passed.

Jenny also announced her resignation. She will be staying on with UW-Extension through July 30 and will be moving on to the Sturgeon Bay School District as the food service director. The open position will be evaluated at the regional office level. Claire asked the committee to support the position and to ask Door County to also support it since it is a shared role between the counties.

6. Citizen Input - none
7. Educators Reports – Written reports were presented for Aerica, Renee and Claire. The Executive Sponsors of the Extension Reorganization plan will be in Kewaunee County on July 7. The committee supported having time with the Executive Sponsors for 1-1.5 hours (Kewaunee County only) for questions and answers, followed by a meeting with Door and Manitowoc Counties afterwards. Aerica will send this request to the regional office. A time will be set accordingly and Aerica will share that information with the committee. It was also suggested the committee brainstorm which local stakeholders should be in attendance and what questions they would like to ask the Executive Sponsors when they are in Kewaunee County.

Aerica asked the committee to also fill out the Doodle Poll on the joint county agriculture specialization meeting which will be held in Kewaunee County in late August or early September. A date will be established via the poll and the meeting will be held at the Fair Grounds, followed by a tour of Junion Homestead Dairy located on County Road K in Casco.

8. Overtime - none
9. Approval – Travel - none
10. Approval – Bills – A motion to approve bills as presented made by Gary Paape/Ron Paider, motion passed.
11. Set Future Committee Meeting Dates
July 6, 3:00 PM
August 3, 3:00 PM

12. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn made by Ron Paider/Gary Paape. Meeting adjourned at 3:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Aerica Bjurstrom 6-1-16

Aerica Bjurstrom – June 1, 2016

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A majority of the members of the County Board of Supervisors or any of its committees including: Finance & Public Property, Personnel, Advisory & Legislative, Health, Child Support, & Veterans Service, Human Services, Aging Services Unit Advisory, Extension Education, County Farm, & Zoning, Law Enforcement & Emergency Management, Land & Water Conservation, Highway & Solid Waste, Promotion & Recreation, May be present at this meeting to listen, observe, and participate. If a majority of any such committee is present, their presence constitutes a "meeting" under the Open Meeting Law as interpreted in State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Board, 173 Wis. 2d 553 (1993), even though the visiting body will take no action at this meeting.

Ag & Extension Report
Aerica Bjurstrom, Agriculture Agent
Prepared for June 1, 2016

Applied Research – Working as lead of a digital dermatitis project that will include scoring over 3,000 dairy cows in a 10-county region. The group of collaborators in the project met for a second training in May at a farm in Dodge County to score hoof lesions caused from digital dermatitis. A series of fact sheets addressing hoof health, foot bath protocols, and management will be developed. Reports and articles will result from the project and will be submitted to Hoard's Dairyman, Wisconsin Agriculturist, and other local publications.

Assisted in collecting data from a Kewaunee County farm on a calf sanitation study. Two farms in Kewaunee County have participated in the project, which is being led by the Oconto county agriculture agent. A total of 15 farms in seven counties have participated in the project.

Farm Technology Days – The executive committee is currently working on hiring an executive assistant to manage backlog of calls and emails regarding the show. They will start out at approximately 5 hours a week and build up to 40+ as the show approaches. The committee received eight applications for the position and will be filling it in early June. The executive assistant will start on July 1. Committees continue to submit tentative budgets to the executive committee and all committees should be tentatively approved by August. We will revisit budgets later in the year or early next year to make sure we are still on track with expenses and income.

Scissor Clipping – Scissor Clipping alfalfa samples is an annual event that is put on UW-Extension. Scissor clipping involves selecting several sites around Kewaunee County representing various climates and varieties of alfalfa. I collect samples and take them to the forage lab in DePere. The lab returns a complete analysis of the samples and I in turn send out forage values to an email list of approximately 300 recipients. Results are also sent to local radio and TV stations where they are shared with listeners/viewer. This year's cool dry weather made it difficult for alfalfa to get going, but once the warmer weather started, the crop grew nicely. Most farmers will be harvesting the last week of May and early June, which is typical for most years. Winter damage was minimal this year due to good snow cover and consistent winter temperatures.

Conservation Day – Held the Conservation Tour for 300 sixth grade students at Kewaunee, Luxemburg-Casco, and the parochial schools in Kewaunee County. I was happy to welcome Algoma School District to the tour this year for the first time in many years. I organize the event for the schools and set up tour stops. Stops include Pagel's Ponderosa digester, Kewaunee Fish Hatchery, NEW Plastics, Rosiere Wind Farm, Kewaunee Landfill, and Wagner's managed forest area. Each stop is 45 minutes and the buses travel to each site throughout the day. The program is meant to focus on, and educate the youth on natural resources and renewable energy.

Rural Safety Day – Hosted approximately 275 children and 50 adult chaperones and teachers at Rural Safety Day at the fairgrounds. All third grade children in the county attend Rural Safety Day. Fifteen stations were set up for children to visit. Each session was 15 minutes and covered topics such as pet safety, 4-wheeler safety, bully prevention, electrical safety, farmstead safety, wildlife, and many more. I manage the budget for the event and get a grant from the UW Center for Ag Safety and Health and matching fund donation from the Kewaunee County Farm Bureau. I also presented large animal safety at one of the stations at the event.

Alfalfa Training/Dairy Team – Attended a two-day program at the Arlington Research Station that combined a state-wide dairy team meeting and an alfalfa forage training. The team meeting included program planning and development of programs for 2016-2017. The alfalfa training included a professor/researcher from Penn State University and UW-Madison specialists in alfalfa and pest management.

Kewaunee County 4-H Youth Development Extension Update

Jill Jorgensen, 4-H Youth Development Agent

June 2016

Yearly 4-H Club Leader Training: The volunteers that give their time and talents to the 4-H organization play a large part in creating effective 4-H community clubs and projects. The volunteer leaders devote a great deal of their time to make the experience successful for all of the youth involved. One of the ways that I support the leaders is through continued education to help them in their roles.

In May, I engaged club leaders in discussions and activities about the 2 topics. The first training looked at inclusion, belonging that create belonging, and accommodations to meet the needs of all youth in the program. The second training covered developing service-learning opportunities and creating an active youth voice within the county. In addition, Annual Leader Training is a great chance for the leaders to meet together and converse about the issues and opportunities that are happening in their club.

Rural Safety Day: Together, Aerica Bjurstrom, Renee Koenig, and I worked with Cindy Kinnard from Public Health to conduct Rural Safety Day. At rural safety day, all third grade students in the county are invited to learn more about safety practices that they should be aware of while living in a rural community. The day is a hands-on, fun, and educational experience. Additionally, I prepare a booklet for the youth to take home with them to remind of the information points that they learned that day. It is our hope that the booklets will promote conversations between family members about the topic of rural safety practices and readiness.

Round Robin Showmanship Clinic: I have been working together with a team of youth and adults to be plan the 4th annual Round Robin Showmanship Workshop. During this workshop older youth and adult presenters work with 4-H members to learn about showmanship. There are eight different species featured at the event and youth move from station to station learning about each species. This is a great opportunity to youth to engage with members and leaders and have a hands-on learning experience.

State Horse Educational Event: We had a number of youth participants from Kewaunee County compete in the statewide horse educational events held in Wausau. Kewaunee County 4-H Members took part in speaking and demonstration, horse quiz bowl and hippology contests. The volunteers and youth worked throughout the year to prepare for these contests. I worked with the youth members in the speaking and demonstration contests to help them polish their speeches. Their hard work paid off and a number of the youth received ribbons and placings in their respective events. Ashlee Siegmund and Stacy Stepanek won the Senior Team Demonstration Contest and will be representing the state of Wisconsin at a national level horse educational 4-H speaking contest held at Quarter Horse Congress in Ohio.

Practitioner Dilemma Training for IL Extension Staff: I was part of a team of four 4-H Youth Development Colleagues that were asked to train their staff on the Practitioner Dilemma Training that was created a number of years ago by Wisconsin Extension Youth Development staff. I was part of that original curriculum writing team and a program facilitator. This training provides research, tools, and hands-on development regarding to work through dilemmas and conflict as a youth development professional. The training was well received and the evaluation revealed that participants walked away with new knowledge and tools that they could use in their everyday work life.

Upcoming Events that I am working on:

Camp: The overall camp planning is well under way for the 2016 summer camp season. We will be holding summer camp June 11-14th at Camp Bird with Door and Brown County. This year noted a change in our camp pairing because Calumet County decided to go to a different camp for the year. We are currently in the process of recruiting counselors and looking for other staff members such as lifeguards. Finding counselors with great leadership skills is an integral part of having a successful camp. We have 35 summer campers and 7 teen youth staff attending camp from Kewaunee County this year.



University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA.

Renee Koenig, Family Living Educator, UW-Extension Kewaunee County

Activities report for June 1, 2016

Rural Safety Day- Rural Safety Day was held at the fairgrounds again this year. Nearly all 3rd grade students in the county attend the educational event. The presentations on safety are rated highly by the school teachers.

Programs for Home and Community Educators (HCE) – In April, I presented to HCE members on the topic of green cleaning for a safer home and healthier planet. I also presented at the HCE banquet about mindfulness for stress management and healthier minds.

Nutrition and Physical Activity – I participate in a coalition addressing nutrition and physical activity. A monthly calendar of physical activity opportunities is shared widely across the county to promote healthy activities and events.

Ancient Grains – I presented at the Algoma Community Wellness Center on the topic of Ancient Grains and Whole Grains including healthy recipes and food preparation tips.

Home Alone – I have a display at the Kewaunee Public Library to inform parents about the program. The Home Alone program helps parents prepare their children for self-care. I helped develop an online video based curriculum with UW-Extension colleagues in Calumet and Manitowoc counties. I will be presenting at the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences conference in Big Sky, Montana in September. My hope is that these presentations will allow more families to learn about the Home Alone program and keep their children safe.

Trauma Informed Parenting – I have completed 16-hour Trauma Informed Parenting Training along with the staff from Human Services Children and Families. The training is part of Wisconsin's comprehensive approach designed to address the needs of children, families and their communities.

Health Literacy Training – I attended a training on Health Literacy in Appleton. There are numerous resources available to medical providers and families on how to reduce healthcare jargon and improve the understanding of medical issues. UW-Extension partners with Covering Wisconsin for health insurance literacy.

Kewaunee County Agriculture and Extension Committee
Activities Report for May, 2016
Claire Thompson, Community Development Educator
Kewaunee County Cooperative Extension

Economic and Organizational Development:

- Survey development, research and facilitation assistance and survey development for Kewaunee County Sheriff's Department Fit for Duty initiative.
- Continued facilitating community action planning for First Impressions Team for the City of Algoma.
- Facilitation and research to develop the Ahnapee Trail Head in Algoma in cooperation with First Impressions Team and the LIVE Well Algoma Community Initiative.
- Met with one entrepreneur to provide business planning education for small scale dairy operation.

Local Food System Economy:

- Promotional and resource support "Women Caring for the Land" program with Midwest Organic and Educational Service and Rural Enterprise Network held at the Farm Market Kitchen
- Continued participation and planning assistance for Algoma Farm to School Task Force and preparation for Annual Farm to Cafeteria conference in Madison. Received SARE grant to attend the conference.
- Continued support to Farm Market Kitchen with education, facilitation and technical assistance to the FMK board and staff to support succession planning of staff members.
- Continued program development and planning for events and educational programs at the Farm Market Kitchen.

Other:

- CNRED In-Service participation in Wausau
- Extended reduced appointment to 60% FTE until June 30, 2016.
- Participation in UWEX CRD Standards, Rank and Promotion Committee.

Kewaunee County Board of Adjustment Minutes

A meeting of the Kewaunee County Board of Adjustment was held on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 8:30 A.M. to view the site of Bill & Laurie Taylor, Red River Township.

Board members present were Hub Jauquet, Lyle Schmiling, Ken Paplham, Randy Hallet, Eric Corroy, and Glenn Selner, Kewaunee County Zoning Administrator.

Bill & Laurie Taylor On-Site Meeting

The meeting was held so the committee could view the site before the public hearing.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Glenn Selner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G" and "S".

Glenn Selner, Acting Secretary

Kewaunee County Board of Adjustment Minutes

A meeting of the Kewaunee County Board of Adjustment was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. to hear the variance appeal of Bill & Laurie Taylor, Red River Township.

Board members present were Hub Jauquet, Lyle Schmiling, Ken Paplham, Randy Hallet, Eric Corroy, and Glenn Selner, Kewaunee County Zoning Administrator.

Bill & Laurie Taylor Hearing

Present: Bill & Laurie Taylor, Tony Roznowski, Karen & Dave Derbique, Kathy & Bill Kornowski.

Chairman Hub Jauquet opened the hearing at 7:00 P.M. and informed the attendants of the Board's authority and rules of the hearing.

Lyle Schmiling read the public hearing notice. Glenn Selner stated he sent notices to 14 neighboring property owners, the Town of Red River, and the Department of Natural Resources.

Glenn explained the Taylors want to remove an old cottage and replace it with a new home. The lot is long and narrow, 50 feet wide by the private drive and only 40 feet at the water's edge. The new structure can meet the required setback from the ordinary high-water mark, but because the lot is so narrow, the side yard setbacks cannot be met.

Tony Roznowski, the contractor, stated because the lot is so small, they designed a house as narrow as possible, but still needs a variance. The house is 28 feet wide and combined with the overhangs, the house would be 7 feet off of each lot line. Because the land is low, he also has to place the building above the required floodplain elevation. He will build a swale on each lot line to keep all surface water on their lot.

Eric Corroy stated the Town of Red River approved the variance at the town level, but had concerns about surface water run-off. Tony explained he will have an elevational survey done to make sure the surface water issues are taken care of. He also said they are going to install a rain garden on the property which can soak up rain water from roofs and driveways up to 30% more water than conventional lawns.

Glenn read 3 letters into the minutes from neighbors who stated they hoped the variance would be approved.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Randy Hallet and seconded by Ken Paplham to approve the variance to construct the building 7 feet from each neighboring lot line. The vote was unanimous.

The following conditions were attached:

1. Complete an elevational survey to make sure surface water is not directed to neighboring lots.
2. Install a rain garden or other run-off plan. Glenn must approve the plan before the building permit can be issued.

The hearing adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

After the Taylor Board of Adjustment hearing, the committee held a brief re-organizational meeting. Chairman Hub Jauquet wants to step down as chairman.

Presently, Hub Jauquet is the Chairman, Randy Hallet the Vice Chairman, and Lyle Schmiling the Secretary.

After a brief discussion, it was decided that Randy Hallet will be Chairman, Hub Jauquet will be Vice Chairman, and Lyle Schmiling will remain as Secretary. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted,



Glenn Selner, Acting Secretary