

Kewaunee County Land and Water Conservation Regularly Scheduled Committee Meeting
Kewaunee County Fairgrounds Office August 9, 2016 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, Charles Wagner, & Clark Riemer

LWCD Staff present: County Conservationist, Davina Bonness; Kewaunee County Board Member Gary Paape; & Joe Johnson NRCS

3) Approval/Repair of Agenda: Motion to approve the August 9th agenda was made by Chuck Wagner and seconded by Ron Paider. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

4) Approval/Repair of Meeting Minutes: No minutes to approve. July meeting was cancelled

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

There were 10 public comments that talked about the DNR scoping statements; the frustration with the DNR workgroup final report recommendations; Chapter 23 implementation in Kewaunee County; Argo Pur chloride discharges; and DNR emergency rule making authority.

6) Department Reports:

a) *Animal Waste Storage Permits:* One – reception tank at the Kewaunee High School

b) *Farmland Preservation/Standards and Prohibitions Walkovers:*

Thirty six total walkovers were performed. Of those, twenty six were in full compliance with NR 151 and met all Farmland Preservation compliance standards and ten received compliance schedules. All compliance schedules were due to waterways planted through or were showing erosion, insufficient tillage setbacks or runoff issues associated with feed pads.

c) *Conservation Plans for Approval:* Russel Schlies Trust, Wayne Bradley Trust, Aaron Zellner

d) *Notice of Non-Compliance Updates:* None

e) *DNR Workgroup Recommendations:* Discussion about the hauling audits being conducted by LWCD staff and how the LWCD is working on implementing as many recommendations they can with the staff and budget they are working under.

7) Cooperating Agency Reports:

a) **USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS):** Joe Johnson explained that they are working on cover crop contracts with EQIP and the next signup deadline is September 2nd. He is also working on CRP & CREP contracts and pollinator plantings.

8) Other Matters to Discuss (if needed)

1. Lee Luft handed out “a Resolution requesting the Wisconsin DNR to Immediately Initiate a Water Quality/Aquatic Life survey of the East Twin River and Unnamed Tributaries to the East Twin River in Kewaunee County”. He asked the LCC to review and that it be placed on September’s agenda for a discussion and possible vote.

2. Lee Luft handed out “Kewaunee County Groundwater Task Force DRAFT recommendation #2 in resolution format”. He asked the LCC to review and that it be placed on September’s agenda for a discussion and possible vote.

9) Scheduling of Future Committee Meetings:September 13th @ 9:00am ; October 11th @ 9:00am

10) Approval of Bills:Motion to accept the August 9th bills as presented was made by Chuck Wagner and seconded by Lee Luft. Committee vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

11) Chairman's Wrap Up Comments:Chairman Pagel stated that Kewaunee County and the LCC have made a serious commitment to water quality and continue to move in a positive direction, he also stated that a strong collaborative effort is being made to get water to unsafe well owners.

12) Adjournment:A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:25am was made by Ron Paider and seconded by Lee Luft. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Davina Bonness – Kewaunee County, County Conservationist