

**CALUMET COUNTY
LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
June 10, 2021
THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED**

1. Meeting Announcement and Posting

The meeting was properly announced and posted. Chair Hofberger called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Hofberger, Hartl, Kesler, Handschke, Gentz, Hansen
Staff Members Present for All or Part of the Meeting; Reali, Faust, Santry, Lisowe
Others Present for All or Part of the Meeting: Jim Kettler-LNRP, Joe Bach-Fox Valley Trout Unlimited,
Alice Connors-County Board Chair

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hartl and second by Hansen to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes from May 6, 2021 Committee Meeting

Motion by Hartl and second by Hansen to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2021 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

None

8. Agency and Association Reports

- **NRCS Report; If in attendance**
None
- **FSA Report; If in attendance**
None
- **UW Extension; If in attendance**
None

9. Communications

- **DATCP Report; June 2021**
Reali reported the 2021 Soil and Water Conservation Annual Reports will be available in early June. Reali will present this report at next month's meeting.



10. Items for Action or Discussion

- **Friends of Stony Brook Introduction and Discussion**

Jim Kettler from LNRP and Joe Bach from Fox Valley Trout Unlimited gave a presentation about the Friends of Stony Brook. This group was funded by the DNR through a Surface Water Grant. The group works on stream restorations in the county. The presentation included their mission statement, trout in the classroom program and the program phases. Phase one will be completed in July and Phase two should be finished in 2022. Upcoming events include a website launch, a restoration site field day in August and a second field day with the students in fall. No action taken.

- **Discussion on the Economics of Farming; Hansen**

Committee member Hansen shared how his farm budgets for the year for the different crops they plant, those being corn grain, corn silage, alfalfa and soybeans. Each budget sheet lists the expense, revenue per acre and return per acre. Field history planning sheets are also recorded for each crop year. Discussion followed. No action taken.

- **Discussion on Committee Conservation Practice Tour, September 2**

Reali asked the committee what type of conservation practice they would be interested in for the September meeting. Some of the projects he suggested were farmstead projects, leachate projects, and water and sediment control. Reali will put a project together for the committee to observe. It was suggested a short business meeting be held before they go out into the field.

11. Report of Department

- **Jonathon Lisowe; Conservation Project Technician Update**

Lisowe reported he is still working in the Plum and Kankapot Creek watershed area. Other projects he's working on include two WASCOS at Long Lake and miscellaneous streambanks and waterways. In the future, he will be doing work in the Spring Creek watershed.

- **Staff Reports**

Reali highlighted the projects each staff person is working on.

12. Upcoming Events

- **Between the Lakes Demonstration Farms Field Day; June 23; Kleiber Grain Farm**

This is the first field day for Between the Lakes Demo Farms in 2021. Committee members are invited to attend. Motion by Hartl and second by Hansen to approve attendance at this event. Motion carried.

The remainder of the field days will be held at Greendale Farms in Fond du Lac County in August and Libertyland in Manitowoc County sometime in September/October.

Reali also reported that the County Conservationist Meeting is being held July 15th and 16th.

13. Next Meeting Date

- **July 1, 2021; 1:00 p.m.**

14. Adjourn

Hofberger adjourned the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Rose Faust, Recording Secretary