

Crawford County Agriculture and Extension Education  
225 N. Beaumont Rd, Suite 236B Prairie du Chien, WI 53821  
Thursday, July 7 2016  
Minutes

Chairman Dull called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

Roll Call: David Olson, Mary Kuhn, Wayne Jerrett, Donald Stirling arrived 9:10 a.m. Others in attendance: Vance Haugen, Jane Schaaf, Sonya Lenzendorf, Karen Snitker.

Posting of agenda verified by Snitker.

Motion by Olson, second by Kuhn to approve the minutes; motion carried with no negative votes cast.

University of WI Extension Items

WNEP Coordinator, Sonya Lenzendorf and Jane Schaaf, Family Living Agent presented an overview of the Healthy Roots program.

Vance Haugen, Agriculture Agent

- Two Pasture Walks held
  - June – 12, Vernon County at Ron Leums farm. National Bee Queen, Kim Kester, presented the discussion topic on how pollinators/bees can be positive for farmers and graziers. Approximately 30 attendees.
  - June 25 – Vernon county – Ethan/Jade Proksche. Dairy goat pasture walk with 16 in attendance. Good conversation – specific interest from a former dairy farmer from Rice Lake who's getting into dairy goats. 3<sup>rd</sup> year Proksche held the pasture walk.
- Professional Development – Went to Rock County, toured a small experimental farm and the community gardens that Rock County Extension and Rock County Master Gardeners tend.
- Vance has been working on an Ag plastic recycling program with a Greene County colleague to make it possible for farmers to get rid of their plastic. July 11 and 12, Resolution Plastics will be delivering 40 dumpsters to the Crawford County Highway Department for farmers to pick up and take to their farms; every 5 weeks dumpsters will be picked up by Revolution Plastics at no charge to the farmer. Vance is promoting this to dairy farmers, although beef farmers are welcome to participate as well.

Amy Mitchell, 4-H Youth Development Agent – On vacation; in Amy's absence Program Assistant, Snitker, shared a brief overview of Amy's June program activities.

Will Cronin, Community, Natural Resource and Economic Development (CNRED) - On vacation; in his absence, Will prepared a hardcopy of his report for distribution; report will be placed on file.

Ag and Extension Education Committee Related Items – None presented

Date of next meeting – August 4, 2016

Review Agents Programs and Activities – July calendars were distributed.

Approve payment Ag/Extension bills: Bills presented by Karen Snitker. Motion to pay bills as presented by Kuhn, second by Olson; carried unanimously by call of the roll.

Approve payment of Fair bills – Bills presented by Karen Snitker. Motion to pay bills as presented by Olson, second by Kuhn; motion carried unanimously by call of the roll.

Correspondence: None presented.

Motion by Kuhn, second by Olson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned 10:14 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Snitker, Program Assistant