

Crawford County Agriculture and Extension Education
225 N. Beaumont Rd, Suite 236
Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
Thursday, August 3, 2017

Minutes

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

Roll Call: Wade Dull, David Olson, Donald Stirling, Wayne Jerrett, Mary Kuhn. Others in attendance: Jane Schaaf, Vance Haugen, Will Cronin, Amy Mitchell, Sonya Lenzendorf, Wayne Jerrett (9:15) Craig Saxe (Area Extension Director), Karen Snitker.

Posting of agenda verified by Snitker.

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

University of WI Extension Items

Agent July Reports:

Jane Schaaf, Family Living Agent – Jane shared the top ten things she'll remember from her 17 years of Family Living programming with Crawford County Extension.

Sonya Lenzendorf – FoodWise Coordinator – Distributed the quarterly nutrition newsletter and pointed out one article on Healthy Food Retail and pointed out that what we purchase at stores affects the access we have for healthy foods. Sonya also announced Crawford County will be her new, primary office, spending her time mostly here and overseeing Vernon and Richland County's FoodWise educators.

Amy Mitchell, 4-H Youth Development Agent–

- PALS 4 Good - People Actively Linked with Students – Amy partners with Kathy Quamme and facilitates the training of 7th graders, who are good role models for the PALS sessions – Wauzeka 7/10-14 and Prairie 7/24-28.
- July 20-22 – 25 people went to 4-H camp in the Dells with this being Amy's 14th year attending. Amy reports she had wonderful counselors with 2-3 counselors for 8-10 kids.
- 4-H Food, Cake and Clothing revue was held.

Jerrett – arrived 9:15 a.m.

Will Cronin, CNRED Agent –

- Ongoing work with farmers' markets including week to week data collection at the Gays Mills site. Will is in partnership with the CCEDC (Crawford County Economic Development Corporation) intern taking the survey count.
- Working on the evaluation for Driftless WI joint marketing grant – 400 surveys
- Working with CCEDC to do a trade area analysis of Prairie du Chien and Crawford County. State specialist in Madison is preparing a report from the data collection for CCEDC.
- Will is involved in a rural community forum partnership with USDA and US World Partners and Crawford County is chosen for the program this year.
- Will announced he will be on paternity leave for about 4 weeks – August to end of September.

Vance Haugen, Agriculture Agent –

- Vacation 1st part of July.
- Pasture walk – numbers are still good, approximately 30 attendees at both Jim Bassett's (7/11) and Chad Sime's (7/25) walk.
- Farm tech days – Attended two days.
- Handled some state wide duties in Winnebago and Marathon counties.

Ag Extension committee related items –

Craig Saxe – Newly appointed Area District Director.

- Craig anticipates his office space will be in Sparta or Richland County.
- Presented UW-Extension 2018 budget proposal for Crawford County.

Public Comments – None

Date of next meeting: Thursday, September 7, 2017

Approve payment of bills –

- Motion by Kuhn, second by Stirling to approve Ag/Extension bills as presented. Motion carried by roll call.
- Motion by Olson, second by Jerrett to approve Fair bills as presented. Motion carried by roll call.

Correspondence: By general committee consensus, upon renewal notification, Karen Snitker is authorized to renew her Notary Commission certification.

Motion by Jerrett, second by Kuhn, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned 10:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Snitker, Program Assistant