

CRAWFORD COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT
SOIL & WATER CONCERNS
July 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Olson at 9:37 a.m. Olson verified the posting of the agenda. Members present for roll call were Bob Standorf, Wade Dull, Kim Moret and Gary Koch.

Motion by Koch to approve the minutes as mailed, second by Moret. Motion carried unanimously.

DAVE TROESTER, LAND CONSERVATION

Troester joined the meeting via Zoom and stated most of the nutrient management plans are in and will be reporting the acres to DATCP later this week. Troester informed the committee he will be on vacation next week. The WPDES permit for AV Roth's existing facility was renewed by the DNR. The LCD is busy with the prep work for the upcoming events; Clean Sweep, Youth Conservation Day, fair booth and Conservation Awards. Ryan Redman the AIS intern gave the committee an update on the projects he has been working on. Redman stated he has had 12 clean boat clean water events, completed 11 boat landing signage checks, started the bait shop initiative, and completed 30 FPP inspections. He also attended two 4-H Explorer day camps held by the UW Extension and spoke to the youth.

Conservation Awards

The committee discussed which evening would work best for the Conservation Award Ceremony. The award ceremony will be on Thursday, August 26, 6:00 p.m. at the Crawford County Fair.

Bills

Bills were presented. Dull, made the motion to pay bills as presented, second by Moret, motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

TRAVIS BUNTING, LAND & WATER PROJECTS (not present)

Troester stated Bunting is in the field today, and busy with construction projects.

KARYL FRITSCH, NRCS

Fritsche joined the meeting via zoom and stated they are in the middle of the CRP sign up and construction season. They are also preparing for the airplanes to go up for the cover crops next month.

DNRFORESTER, Christine Walroth (not present)

Troester read an email from Walroth. She met with Crawford County landowners last month field checking CRP fields planted to trees, EQUIP visits & deer management assistance program (DMAP) visits, but spent a good portion of the month working with Vernon County landowners. She is willing to assist with the Youth Conservation Day and will also discuss it with Brian Zweifel.

UW Extension Carolyn Ihde(Not Present)

No report

FSA – Bob Standorf

Standorf stated FSA met last Thursday and shared the July interest rates; commodity loans 1.125%, 3 yr. storage facility loan .375%, 7 yr. 1.25%. CRP deadline is July 23rd, only thru 50% the applications and they are hoping there will be an extension. The dairy marketing payout is 167,000 for May about the same as the previous month.

Public Comment

Ellen Brooks - Crawford Stewardship Project wanted to note the concerns regarding the renewal of the WPDES permit for AV Roth's existing facility. CSP will continue its water quality monitoring efforts.

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021.

Standorf made the motion to adjourn at 10:02 a.m., second by Dull. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Nagel
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