

**CRAWFORD COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT**  
**SOIL & WATER CONCERNS**  
**April 12, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Olson at 10:05 a.m. Olson verified the posting of the agenda. Members present for roll call were Wade Dull, Gary Koch and Kim Moret who joined the meeting via Zoom.

Motion by Dull to approve the minutes as mailed, second by Olson. Motion carried unanimously.

**DAVE TROESTER, LAND CONSERVATION**

Troester stated he attended a couple of online trainings last month on nutrient management and non-metallic mining. Late March he joined the Town of Freeman's meeting and talked/answered questions regarding Farmland Preservation Zoning. Troester appeared at Personnel and got the AIS summer intern position approved. The job posting is on the website, Indeed and will be coming out in the paper. Tree sale pick up will be April 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> and Travis will be driving to Cadott again this year to pick up the trees. At the Arbor Day prestation Troester will be handing out spruce seedlings to the 1<sup>st</sup> graders that were donated by Tom & Cathie Nelson. Tire clean up will be in June and Town & Country has agreed to help with the event again this year, just waiting to get final confirmation from the Hwy Dept. Troester discussed last years Clean Sweep numbers with the committee. He received an email yesterday informing him of a new electronic grant in addition to the chemical grant and will be applying for soon.

**Conservation Awards**

Nominated award winners were presented for discussion. Troester will be contacting the award winners and the shop class at Prairie du Chien High School to engrave the back of the benches.

Motion by Koch to approve the conservation award winners as presented, seconded by Moret. Motion carried unanimously.

**Annual Report**

Motion by Koch to approve LCPZD Annual Report as presented, second by Dull. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution for Dam Grant**

Motioned by Dull to adopt the DNR Municipal Dam Grant Program Resolution and present to the Crawford County Board, second by Koch. Motion carried unanimously.

**Bills**

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

**TRAVIS BUNTING, LAND & WATER PROJECTS**

Bunting stated his designs are done and waiting for the weather to change so construction projects can start. Hoping to get some surveys done this spring for next year's projects. Will be doing some brush control at the BK#6 dam. In 2024 we will need to have the dam inspected.

**KARYL FRITSCHKE, NRCS**

Fritsche stated they are just finishing up a round of EQIP of almost one million in funding. CRP - general signup just closed, continuous signups are still going on. Construction & strip season is getting ready to start. The office is open, no appointments or mask needed.

**DNR FORESTER, Christine Walroth (joined via Zoom)**

Walroth stated Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association (WWOA) has chapters throughout WI and the Bad-Axe chapter in Crawford County is being revitalized. There is a walnut council meeting scheduled on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> in Vernon County. Trevor Hamdorf, a team member has volunteered to help with Youth Conservation Day in the fall.

**UW Extension Carolyn Ihde (not present)**

No report

**FSA – (not present)**

No report.

**Public Comment**

Crawford Stewardship Project: Ellen Brooks stated Kathy & Paul Byrne were awarded the WI Volunteer Stream Monitoring Award from the UW Extension and WI DNR. Brooks mentioned Grant, Iowa & Lafayette Counties are continuing their water studies. They are using ground penetrating radar imaging.

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

Dull made the motion to adjourn at 10:42 a.m., second by Koch. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Nagel

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