



MANITOWOC COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

DATE: January 16, 2020

TIME: 4:45 p.m.

PLACE: Manitowoc County Office Complex, Room 502
4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc

The meeting is open to the public, but portions of the meeting may be closed if this notice indicates that the committee may convene in closed session. The following matters may be considered at the meeting:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda – Discussion and possible action
3. Review Minutes from November 21, 2019 – Discussion and possible action
4. Public Comment
5. Animal Waste Management Ordinance Manure Spreading Requirements - Kieth Biese, Dairy Farmer - Discussion only
6. County Ordinance 6.295 Feeding Deer Prohibited – Discussion only
7. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
8. Budget Review – Discussion only
9. Manitowoc County Land and Water Resource Management Plan Five Year Review for Land and Water Conservation Board – Discussion only
10. Resource Conservationist Position Vacancy – Discussion only
11. Multi – Discharger Variance Program Application – Discussion only
12. Animal Waste Ordinance – Discussion only
 - A. Update of violations
13. Natural Resource Conservation Service 2020 Program Update – Discussion only
14. Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update - Discussion only
15. Next Meeting Date
16. Adjournment

Date: January 7, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair
BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

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Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Nick Muench, Bob Cavanaugh, Jon Neils, Michael Slattery and Biff Hansen were present.

Also in attendance were: Jerry Halverson and Austin Loeffelholz - Soil & Water Conservation Dept., Ted Hoffman – In Depth Agronomy, and Kieth Biese – Dairy Farmer.

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes: Motion was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Bob Cavanaugh to approve the November 21, 2019 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Animal Waste Management Ordinance Manure Spreading Requirements: Kieth Biese was issued a notice of problem from the Soil & Water Conservation Department in November for not incorporating manure within 48 hours on slopes greater than 12% required by county ordinance. Kieth stated that he would have caused a bigger problem if he incorporated the manure on the steep slope and that nothing ran off. He would like to see the county ordinance changed to allow for surface spreading manure without requiring 48 hour incorporation on steep slopes.

County Ordinance 6.295 Feeding Deer Prohibited: Jerry Halverson presented the history of the ordinance starting back in 2003 when it was passed by the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors. He also stated that a deer in Sheboygan County tested positive for chronic wasting disease this past bow hunting season. Meeting minutes from the September 6, 2017 Land Conservation Committee meeting, when public comment was received on this issue were given to the committee. The committee asked Jerry Halverson to check with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to find out if Manitowoc County will be included in DNR's baiting prohibition area due to the finding in Sheboygan County.

Cost – Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements: None

Budget Review: Reviewed budget ending November 30, 2019.

Manitowoc County Land and Water Resource Management Plan Five Year Review for Land and Water Conservation Board: Jerry Halverson and Cathy Wagner will be making a presentation to the Land and Water Conservation Board on February 4, 2020. Copies of the 2019 & 2020 annual work plans along with accomplishments, and implementation covering the past five years and future direction was distributed and discussed.

Resource Conservationist Position Vacancy: Bruce Riesterer retired from the Manitowoc County Soil & Water Conservation Department on January 2, 2020.

Multi – Discharger Variance Program Application: Jerry Halverson informed the committee that he applied for potential funds. Payments are made available from wastewater dischargers to county conservation departments to reduce phosphorus runoff from agricultural sources.

Animal Waste Ordinance – Update of Violations: None to report

Natural Resources Conservation Service Program Update: No report

Farm Service Agency, 2020 Program Update: No report

Next Meeting: Is scheduled for March 19, 2020 at 4:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Neils and seconded by Mike Slattery at 5:57 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Halverson
Department Director



MANITOWOC COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
AMENDED MEETING NOTICE

DATE: March 19, 2020
TIME: 4:45 p.m.
PLACE: Manitowoc County Office Complex, Room 502
4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI 54220

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda – Discussion and possible action
3. Review Minutes from January 16, 2020 – Discussion and possible action
4. Public Comment
5. Wildlife Damage and Claims Program, Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service
- Discussion and possible action
 1. Claims Review
 2. Senate Bill 628 Update
6. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
7. Resource Conservationist Position Vacancy – Discussion only
8. Next Meeting Date
9. Adjournment

Date: March 10, 2020

Amended: March 17, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair

BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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March 19, 2020
County Office Complex, Room 502
4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc

Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Nick Muench, Biff Hansen, and Ted Hoffman were present. Bob Cavanaugh, Jon Neils, and Michael Slattery were excused.

Also in attendance were: Jerry Halverson - Soil & Water Conservation Dept. and Brian Maedke, USDA, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. (APHIS)

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Nick Muench. Motion carried 4-0.

Minutes: Motion was made by Nick Muench and seconded by Biff Hansen to approve the January 16, 2020 minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

Public Comment: None

Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program:

1. **Claims review:** Motion by Biff Hansen and seconded by Nick Muench to approve 2019 claims as presented by Brian Maedke, USDA, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Motion carried 4-0
2. **Senate bill 628 Update:** Brian Maedke presented information on the bill. It would eliminate maximum damage claim amount and allow for APHIS to work directly with the Department of Natural Resources on programming.

Cost – Share Contract: Motion was made by Nick Muench and seconded by Biff Hansen to approve the Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program contracts as presented. Motion carried: 4-0.

Resource Conservationist Position Vacancy: Jerry Halverson presented the timeline for filling positions.

Next Meeting: Is scheduled for May 21, 2020 at 4:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Nick Muench and seconded by Biff Hansen at 4:59 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Halverson
Department Director



MANITOWOC COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

DATE: May 21, 2020
TIME: 4:45 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Call

Members of the committee will meet remotely via conference call due to the public health emergency and orders declared in the Wisconsin Governor's Executive Order. Committee members and the public may join the meeting by calling: **605-313-4483 Access Code: 613348#**

The following matters may be considered at the meeting:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda – Discussion and possible action
3. Review Minutes from March 19, 2020 – Discussion and possible action
4. Public Comment
5. Introductions
6. Selection of Committee Vice-Chair – Discussion and possible action
7. Selection of Lake Michigan Area Representative – Discussion and possible action
8. Budget Review – Discussion only
9. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
10. Report on Vacant Staff Positions – Discussion only
11. Funding and Supporting Watershed Conservation – Discussion only
12. Animal Waste Ordinance – Discussion only
 - A. Update of violations
13. Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update - Discussion only
14. Next Meeting Date
15. Adjournment

Date: May 13, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair
BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2020
Conference Call

Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Biff Hansen, Michael Slattery, Ted Hoffman, and Tyler Martell were present. Bob Cavanaugh and Jon Neils, were excused.

Also in attendance were: Jerry Halverson - Soil & Water Conservation Department.

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Ted Hoffman. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes: Motion was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Michael Slattery to approve the March 19, 2020 minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment: None

Introductions: All Land Conservation Committee members and Soil & Water Conservation Department staff present introduced themselves.

Selection of Committee Vice-Chair: Motion by Biff Hansen and seconded by Ted Hoffman to appoint Jon Neils as committee Vice-Chair. Motion carried 5-0.

Selection of Lake Michigan Area Representative: Motion by Cathy Wagner and seconded by Tyler Martell to appoint Biff Hansen as Lake Michigan Area Representative. Motion carried 5-0.

Budget Review: Reviewed annual budget ending April 30, 2020.

Cost – Share Contracts: Motion was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Ted Hoffman to approve the Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program contracts as presented. Motion carried: 5-0.

Resource Conservationist Position Vacancy: Jerry Halverson reported that application for the two vacant Resource Conservationist positions can be submitted until June 7, 2020.

Funding and Supporting Watershed Conservation: Committee had discussion on current and future county budget funding for conservation activities.

Animal Waste Ordinance Violations: None to report.

Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update: Mike Slattery stated there are no conservation related issues to report.

Next Meeting: Is scheduled for July 16, 2020 at 4:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Tyler Martell at 5:35 pm. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Halverson, Department Director



MANITOWOC COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

DATE: July 16, 2020

TIME: 4:45 p.m.

PLACE: Manitowoc County Office Complex, **Room 300**
4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI 54220

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda – Discussion and possible action
3. Review Minutes from May 21, 2020 – Discussion and possible action
4. Public Comment
5. Budget Review – Discussion only
6. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
7. Resource Conservationist Position Update – Discussion only
8. Producer Led Grant Program Interest Generation – Discussion only
9. Land & Water Resource Management Plan Five Year Review – Discussion only
10. 2019 Activity Report – Discussion only
11. Animal Waste Ordinance – Discussion only
 - A. Update of violations
12. Natural Resource Conservation Service 2020 Program Update – Discussion only
13. Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update – Discussion only
14. Next Meeting Date
15. Adjournment

Date: July 7, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair
BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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MANITOWOC COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2020
Manitowoc County Office Complex
Room 300

Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Biff Hansen, Michael Slattery, Ted Hoffman, Tyler Martell, Bob Cavanaugh and Jon Neils, were present.

Also in attendance were: Jerry Halverson and Cheyenne Mueller - Soil & Water Conservation Department and Matt Rataczak – Natural Resource Conservation Service.

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes: Motion was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Tyler Martell to approve the May 21, 2020 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Budget Review: Reviewed annual budget ending May 31, 2020.

Soil & Water Resource Management Grant Program - Cost – Share Contracts: Motion was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Jon Neils to approve contracts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Resource Conservationist Position Update: Cheyenne Mueller and Laura Adams were recently hired to fill vacant Resource Conservationist positions. Cheyenne Mueller introduced herself to the committee.

Producer Led Grant Program Interest Generation: Jerry Halverson informed the committee that information regarding the program was sent to over 1,000 people through newsletters and Facebook. They were asked to contact our department for additional information if interested. No responses as of this date.

Land & Water Resource Management Plan Five Year Review: A video produced by Lisa Trumble of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection, explaining the process and importance of the plan was viewed. Jerry Halverson then presented high-lights of progress implementing the plan over the past five years.

2019 Activity Report: Jerry Halverson distributed the report to the committee for their review. Further discussion will take place during our next meeting.

Animal Waste Ordinance Violations: One violation in the Town of Gibson for applying manure and not incorporating within 48 hours on land that drains to a sinkhole and for applying manure on land within 300 feet of a tile surface inlet and not incorporating within 48 hours.

Natural Resource Conservation Service 2020 Program Update: Matt Rataczak presented information on the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, Conservation Stewardship Program, and Conservation Reserve Program.

Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update: Mike Slattery stated that the Farm Service Agency Committee has been working on six or seven conservation related issues for non-compliance with program requirements.

Next Meeting: Is scheduled for September 17, 2020 at 4:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen at 6:13 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Halverson, Department Director



**MANITOWOC COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTICE**

DATE: August 20, 2020

TIME: 4:35 PM

PLACE: Manitowoc County Office Complex, **Room 300**
4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI 54220

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda – Discussion and possible action
3. Public Comment
4. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
5. Next Meeting Date – September 17, 2020 at 4:45 PM
6. Adjournment

Date: August 11, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair

BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2020
County Office Complex, Room 300
4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc

Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Jon Neils, Bob Cavanaugh, Michael Slattery, Biff Hansen, and Tyler Martell were present. Ted Hoffman was excused.

Also in attendance was: Jerry Halverson - Soil & Water Conservation Department.

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comment: None

Cost – Share Contracts: Motion was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Bob Cavanaugh to approve the Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program contracts as presented. Motion carried: 6-0.

Next Meeting: Is scheduled for September 17, 2020 at 4:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Neils and seconded by Bob Cavanaugh at 4:45 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Halverson
Department Director



MANITOWOC COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

DATE: September 17, 2020
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2. Approve Agenda – Discussion and possible action
3. Review Minutes from July 16, 2020 and August 20, 2020 – Discussion and possible action
4. Public Comment
5. Budget Review – Discussion only
6. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
7. Benefits of Cover Crops and Cost Share Program – Discussion only
 - Matt Rataczak, Natural Resources Conservation Service
8. Between the Lakes Demonstration Farms Network Update – Discussion only
 - Matt Rataczak, Natural Resources Conservation Service
9. Producer Led Grant Program Interest Generation and Response – Discussion only
10. Animal Waste Ordinance – Discussion only
 - A. Update of violations
11. Natural Resources Conservation Service 2020 Program Update – Discussion only
12. Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update – Discussion only
13. Next Meeting Date
14. Adjournment

Date: September 8, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair
BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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**MANITOWOC COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes**

September 17, 2020

County Office Complex, Room 300

4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI

Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:45 PM.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Bob Cavanaugh, Paul Hansen, Tyler Martell, W. Michael Slattery were present. Jon Neils and Ted Hoffman were excused.

Others in Attendance: Tony Smith, Manitowoc County Soil and Water Conservation Department, Matt Rataczak, United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, District Conservationist.

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Cavanaugh, seconded by Paul Hansen. Motion Carried unanimously.

Minutes: Motion to approve the July 16, 2020 and August 20, 2020 minutes was made by Paul Hansen, seconded by Bob Cavanaugh. Motion Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

Budget Review: 2020 budget status current July 31, 2020 was reviewed with no comment.

Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program – Cost-Share Contracts: Motion to approve contracts as presented was made by Paul Hansen, seconded by Tyler Martell . Motion Carried unanimously.

Benefits of Cover Crops and Cost Share Program: Matt Rataczak provided an oral synopsis of cover crop programs offered by Natural Resources Conservation Service including Environmental Quality Incentive and Conservation Stewardship programs.

Between the Lakes Demo Farms Network – Matt Rataczak updated the committee on progress being made with the Demonstration Project. Participating farms include Libertyland Farms of Newton, Kleiber Farms of Plymouth, Dallman Dairy of Brillion and Greendale Farm of Fond du Lac. Innovations and research in conservation applications will be demonstrated with outreach programs on the four farms. Successful techniques can become “new” recommended best management practices. Project is being coordinated by Hoffman Agronomy of Newton.

Producer Led Grant Program Interest Generation and Response. Committee was provided with an updated report of recruitment efforts that have been ongoing in Manitowoc County. Pine Creek Watershed area is being targeted for participation. Project requires five cooperating farm participants, of which none have stepped forward. W Michael Slattery expressed a strong interest in the need to do water quality work in Manitowoc County with the many impaired waters listed by Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Supervisor Hansen requested that this subject be continued for discussion and update at the next regular meeting.

Animal Waste Ordinance – Update of violations

Tony provided a brief update of recent calls about animal waste issues being odor based, which is not covered by the Manitowoc County Ordinance.

A brief update was provided regarding a manure incident that occurred in May. Supervisor Hansen requested that Soil & Water Conservation Department follow up with Department of Natural Resources staff and Manitowoc County Health Department to collect information about communication between the agencies regarding the incident, and to pose a recommendation of how the process should be handled in the future regarding well water contamination. An update to the committee was requested by Hansen.

Natural Resources Conservation Service 2020 Program Update – Matt Rataczak reported he and his staff are busy with nearly 50 Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program/Conservation Reserve Program applications and renewals. End of year reporting is due and Conservation Stewardship Program contract preparation will be keeping staff busy well into the Fall.

Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update – W Michael Slattery reported that the Farm Service Agency committee had terminated three Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program agreements recently due to deaths and for failure to implement the agreements.

Next meeting Date: Nov 19, 2020 at 4:45 PM

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Hanson, seconded by Slattery. Motion Carried unanimously at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Smith, Resource Conservationist



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3. Public Comment
4. Review Minutes from September 17, 2020 – Discussion and possible action
5. Wildlife Damages and Claims Program, Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service – Discussion and possible action
 - A. 2020 crop prices
 - B. 2020 90% harvest cut-off date
 - C. 2021 preliminary budget
 - D. 2021 deer donation participation
6. Update on Education Program – Tara Wachowski, Education Coordinator – Discussion only
7. Cost-Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements – Discussion and possible action
8. Budget Review – Discussion only
9. Animal Waste Ordinance – Discussion only
 - A. Update on violations
10. Natural Resource Conservation Service 2020 Program Update – Discussion only
11. Farm Service Agency 2020 Program Update - Discussion only
12. Next Meeting Date
13. Adjournment

Date: November 11, 2020

Catherine Wagner, Chair
BY: Jerry Halverson, Department Director

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November 19, 2020
County Office Complex

Chairperson Cathy Wagner called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Roll Call: Cathy Wagner, Biff Hansen, Bob Cavanaugh, Jon Neils, Ted Hoffman, and Tyler Martell were present. Michael Slattery was excused.

Also in attendance were: Jerry Halverson and Tara Wachowski, Soil & Water Conservation Dept., and Brian Maedke, USDA, Wildlife Services

Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Motion was made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen to approve the September 17, 2020 minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

Wildlife Damage and Claims Program: Brian Maedke explained that the program consists of damage claims and abatement of wildlife. The program covers black bear, cougar, white-tailed deer, elk, Canada goose, wild turkey, and sandhill crane damage.

A. 2020 crop prices

Motion made by Jon Neils and seconded by Bob Cavanaugh to approve the 2020 crop prices as presented by United States Department of Agriculture, Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services. Motion carried 6-0.

B. Harvest cut-off date

Motion made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Bob Cavanaugh to set December 1, 2020 as the 90% harvest cut-off date. Motion carried 6-0

C. 2021 budget

Motion made by Jon Neils and seconded by Biff Hansen to approve the 2021 County Budget/Financial Plan as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

D. Deer donation

Motion was made by Biff Hansen and seconded by Jon Neils to approve participation in the 2021 deer donation program. Motion carried 6-0.

Update on Education Program: Tara Wachowski presented highlights of the department's 2020 education programming. In March, a soil health/cover crop forum was held at Farm WI Discovery Center with approximately 65 people attending. Because the Manitowoc County fair was cancelled this year, drive-up nitrate screening of private well water was done at four separate locations through-out the County. 301 samples were screened and the committee reviewed results. Tara also presented information on social media education programming, newsletters and the Pine Creek watershed website.

Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program Cost Share Contracts: Motion made by Bob Cavanaugh and seconded by Biff Hansen to approve the contracts and agreements as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Budget Review: Reviewed annual budget ending September 30, 2020.

Animal Waste Ordinance –

- A. Update of Violations:** Jerry Halverson informed the Committee that one County Ordinance violations occurred since the update presented to the committee on September 17, 2020.

A procedure to notify adjacent neighbors when a well is suspected of contamination with manure was discussed. Manitowoc County Soil & Water Conservation Department will take lead roll and also notify the Manitowoc County Health Department for input and assistance if necessary.

Natural Resources Conservation Service Program Update: No report.

Farm Service Agency Report: No report.

Next Meeting: Is scheduled for January 21, 2021 at 4:45 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Neils and seconded by Bob Cavanaugh at 5:52 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Halverson
Department Director