

MANITOWOC COUNTY  
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2023  
County Office Complex

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

**Roll Call:** Catherine Wagner, Ryan Phipps, Tim Jadowski, Ted Hoffman, W. Michael Slattery and Lee Engelbrecht were present. Biff Hansen was excused.

**Also, in attendance were:** David Wetenkamp and Lindsey Hawig, Soil & Water Conservation Department, Brian Maedke, USDA, Wildlife Services and Jake Divine, Glacierland RC&D.

**Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Tim Jadowski and seconded by Lee Engelbrecht. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** Motion was made by Lee Engelbrecht and seconded by Ryan Phipps to approve the January 19, 2023 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None

**Budget Review:** Reviewed annual budget ending February 28, 2023.

**LCC Presentation:** Jake Divine, Glacierland RC&D and Manitowoc Projects and Programs they offer the county. Glacierland RC&D is requesting funds to help treat the problem areas of phragmites throughout the county. Supervisor Wagner suggested to contact the County Board Chairperson, Tyler Martel.

**Wildlife Damage Program Claims Update:** Brian Maedke, USDA, Wildlife Services. Maedke is looking for approval to pay out the claims that have been submitted for 2022. Motion was made by Ryan Phipps and seconded by Lee Engelbrecht to approve the claims that were presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Soil & Water Activities:**

**SWCD Department Activities – Discussion only**

1. Surface Water Quality Grants- Approved for \$50,000 for projects. Will receive documents in the mail in the next couple of weeks for the grant application finalization.
2. LCC Mtg Presentation May 2023- Brian Maedke, APHIS & Wildlife Damage Program- Will give a more in-depth overview of the programs and what he all provides for Manitowoc County.
3. Farmer to Farmer Meetings- Manitowoc County Forage Council and Soil Water Quality Team came together and held 3 smaller farmer meetings. There was about 60-70 people who attended the meetings. The meetings were held in Newton, Reedsville and Mishicot areas.
4. NMFE Training- Held training in January. 13 people attended the training. There were people who presented from UW Madison Division of Extension and DATCP. Heard good feedback from the attendees.
5. WLWCA Conference- Sent 4 department people down to the annual convention. It was held at Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells. Very good conference with a lot of information brought back to the department. This conference is open to any committee members as well.

6. CCA/Manure Hauler Meeting- Held in early March. There was about 40 people in attendance. Held this meeting to continue the great working relationship that we all have with custom haulers, agronomists and agency staff.
7. DATCP Annual Report and Staffing Reimbursement- This has been submitted and we have received reimbursements. Will give an updated budget overview at the May meeting.
8. DATCP 2022 Annual Work Plan & SWRM Grant- The department is working on gathering information for the application for these grants.

**USDA Cost Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements:** 1 modification to be approved by the committee.

**Cost Share Contracts/Amendments/Agreements:**

- 1 Livestock Facility License Approved
- 3 Livestock Facility License Modifications requested
- 2 Livestock Facility License Applications In-Progress

Added 3 Livestock Facility License applications since the agenda was submitted- total of 8 applications

**Next Meeting:** Is scheduled for May 18, 2023 at 4:45 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made by Ryan Phipps and seconded by Ted Hoffmann at 6:02 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Wetenkamp  
Department Director

Minutes recorded: Lindsey Hawig