



MARQUETTE COUNTY LAND & WATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT



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Land & Water Conservation Committee

July 11th, 2023, 10:30 A.M.

In Person at County Board Room, Montello WI. Meeting also was virtual/recorded.

Meeting Minutes

Dennis Fenner, Ken Borzick, John Bennett, David Benson, Larry Haygood, Abby Swan (virtual), Patrick Kilbey, Ron Barger.

Chairman Fenner called the Meeting to Order and Roll Call.

Motion Borzick, 2nd Benson to approve Agenda as presented. **Motion Carried.**

Motion Bennett, 2nd Borzick to approve May 2023 Minutes. **Motion Carried**

LWCD Report: Kilbey reported on the Final Tree Sale numbers, another good tree sale. Demo Farms news is no interseeding this year at our due to the drought. Cover Crop Sign Up went well, 1300 acres signed up. Farmland Preservation Program (FPP) program audit by DATCP was held. Final report/summary from DATCP has not been returned but no negatives on how Marquette County runs the FPP were found. DATCP Staff commented on how Marquette Counties program continues to grow.

Agriculture Report: Fenner reported that crop reporting started. No announcements have been made about drought assistance yet.

Golden Sands RC&D Report: Rosenthal/Benson attended the May Meeting where AIS was major discussion. Next meeting is on July 20th. Benson has offered to replace Rosenthal as Golden Sands RC&D Rep.

Motion Borzick, 2nd Bennett to approve Dave Benson as Golden Sands RC&D Representative from Marquette County. **Motion Carried**

County Lakes Association: no report, see below.

Motion Benson, 2nd Borzick to approve all reports as presented. **Motion Carried.**

Kilbey introduced Larry Haygood as Marquette County Lake Association appointee to the Land Conservation Committee. Discussion followed.

Motion Fenner, 2nd Benson to approve Larry Haygood as the County Lakes Association Representative.

Motion Carried.

Kilbey presented three grant Applications that the Marquette County Lakes Association has vetted and forwarded to LCC for approval. They are for \$500 grants for AIS control, education, and awareness.

Motion Borzick, 2nd Benson to approve three, \$500 AIS Grants for School Section Lake Association, Tuttle Lake District and Williams Lake District. **Motion Carried.**

May and June 2023 Expenses were reviewed, and Chairman Fenner adjourned the meeting.