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Land & Water Resources Committee
March 7, 2019 – 8:30 am
USDA Building, Mauston WI

PRESENT: Joe Lally, Chair, Rodney Seamans, Scott Wilhorn, Chris Zindorf, NRCS Reps. Jon Field, Dan Schlupp, DNR Rep. Terry Kafka, Dustin Ladd, Sarah Fleck, & Brian Goepfert

1. Meeting called to order by chair, Joe Lally, at 8:32 am.
2. MINUTES
Motion by Chris Zendorf, seconded by Rodney Seamans to approve the minutes of February 14th, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.
3. VOUCHERS
Motion by Wilhorn, seconded by Zindorf. Motion carried
4. INTRODUCE NEW EMPLOYEE – Jon Fields
*The new conservation soil conservation technician Dan Schlupp was introduced to the committee
5. NRCS- Jon Fields
*Discussion of projects across the county including cover crops, 6 grassed waterways, and 2 trout stream projects in Hustler and Elroy
*Dan Schlupp is working on preliminary designs for expected grassed waterways once the snow melts
*There will be a Contractors Meeting held March 20th at the Hatch Public library
6. FSA – Jon Fields/Jon Williams
*An open house will be held at the new USDA office on March 13th from 1-4pm
*Jon Williams will be retiring at the end of March
*There is limited information on the Farm Bill

7. MDV FUNDING – Dustin Ladd
 - *First checks received from 3 towns- Vesper/Hustler/Reedsburg
 - *30% of the money goes toward staffing and the rest goes toward conservation practices within the watershed of the contributing town

8. OUTDOORS FOREVER- Dustin Ladd
 - *2 beaver dams were removed on Duffy Road
 - *Dustin Ladd will be going to the finance committee on Monday to request the 30,000 in funds needed for the project
 - *Starting in June the DNR will be working on the project for a month

9. PRODUCER LED WATERSHED – Dustin Ladd
 - *A Producers of Lake Redstone meeting was held March 1st. Eric Cooley presented, 15 people attended the meeting
 - * A follow up meeting is going to be scheduled next week or the week focusing on where the money is going to be spent/who's doing what
 - *Projects include manure sharing, fall cover crops, and interseeding cover crops

10. AGC UPDATE – Dustin Ladd
 - *There will be an emergency follow up phone call today after the February 28th meeting
 - *Discussed in the phone call: having a central location to distribute bottled water, who will be testing the wells (AECOM, county, self-testing)
 - * 900 people have not responded to the letter, there is a 30% response rate
 - *In the second round of sampling only nitrate will be tested
 - *RO systems have been installed in 9 homes, 3 homes have nitrates high than the RO system will fix and will need a secondary system
 - *DNR, UW Madison are in the process of putting together a water study, wanted 40% of the money to come from the county (\$190,000)

11. NR151-Terry Kafka
 - *Terry Kafka gave an update about NR151
 - *If adopted it gives authority to go out and work with landowners
 - *County could obtain citation authority

12. Next meeting set **April 11, 2019 at 8:00 am** Location: USDA building

13. Meeting adjourned – Motion by Wilhorn, seconded by Rodney Seamans to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried.