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**Land & Water Resources Committee  
May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 8:15 am  
Courthouse, Mauston WI**

PRESENT: Rodney Seamans, Chair, Joe Lally, Scott Wilhorn, Chris Zindorf, Jim Raese, Jon Field

1. Meeting called to order by chair, Rodney Seamans, at 8:16 am
2. MINUTES  
Motion by Zindorf seconded Raese by to approve the minutes of April 8th, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.
3. NRCS – Jon Field
  - Discussion of field infiltration rate, land use, compaction
  - 10 conservation stewardship applications, 5 agricultural applications, and 5 forestry applications have been submitted for review
  - Technical assistance – discussion with Windbreak Partnership about installing windbreaks on a producer's fields, possible pollinator habitat installed at the new AT&T cell towers
  - Multiple employee trainings completed with topics including soil health, cultural resources, and wetlands
  - A class from the Mauston Highschool visited the Duffy Rd Outdoors Forever site and learned about stream habitat
  - Summer intern with NRCS will be arriving within the next month
4. FSA – Jim Raese
  - All crop reporting maps have been sent out to participating producers with instructions for filling out maps completely. The FSA employees must load the crops into the reporting system manually and will then contact the producer for signature options. We must have all signatures no later than July 15<sup>th</sup>
  - The FSA office must have a lease on file from the landowner to the participant before we give a map of the farm for crop reporting. It is private information and we are not allowed to give out maps just because someone says they are operating a farm.
  - We currently have no additional information on CRP programs
  - The Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 re-opened on Monday, April 5
5. VOUCHERS – Dustin Ladd
  - Discussion of the tires for the SUV and the Watershed Model purchased with MDV funds
6. WI DNR UPDATE – Dustin Ladd

- Dustin Ladd attended the Township of Orange meeting last month to talk about PFAS
- Discussion of PFAS in New Lisbon and Camp Douglas municipal wells and using money from Nitrate fund to test for PFAS
- Possible dates for meeting with the DNR for PFAS update

7. MOTION FOR PFAS TESTING – Dustin Ladd

\*Motion by Zindorf, seconded by Wilhorn to use money from water testing fund to offer New Lisbon and Camp Douglas 50% funding for PFAS testing for their municipal wells. Motion Carried.

8. FLOOD TOUR UPDATE-Dustin Ladd

- Dustin Ladd met with Army Corps Engineers and Juneau County Highway Department employees at Necedah and toured problem areas in the surrounding townships and the drainage district
- Discussion of possible issues impacting flooding including train track and blocked culverts
- Next step is for the Army Corps to input data in the Hydrologic Model

9. CSGCC-Chris Zindorf/Sarah Fleck

- Update on grant received, by next CSGCC meeting on July 26th the grad student should have started working on reviewing and organizing data sources for Nitrate issues in WI
- Press release sent out to be looked over by the CSGCC group about the grant received

10. PRODUCER LED UPDATE-Sarah Fleck

- Update on Producer Led Meeting held last month
- There will be a three county Field Day held June 19<sup>th</sup> near Lake Wisconsin. Rick Clark will be the keynote speaker
- The Producers of lake Redstone will also be holding two Field Days most likely in June and September

11. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE-Brian Goepfert

- Lakeshore construction at Wilderness Park turned out well, the end of ramp will need some repairs
- Jim Raese's construction plan is currently at the area office for approval, there's also a handful of embankments being worked on this year
- Update given on Elroy Fairgrounds project, design plan for the stream barbs is just starting
- A roofed barnyard and receiving pit is currently being constructed

12. NECEDAH SCHOOL FIELD DAY-Dustin Ladd

- A field day with the Necedah New Age Academy grades 6-12<sup>th</sup> was held at Wilderness park. Students got to learn about lakeshore protection and work with the rainfall simulator and test water samples for nitrates

13. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS-Committee

- Discussion of ongoing manure issues in Juneau County
- Field day held with the Mauston FFA class at the Duffy Rd stream restoration site
- Update on Drone use

14. SET NEXT MEETING DATE-Committee

Next meeting set **June 10th, 2021** at **Time 8:15am** Location: **Courthouse**

15. ADJOURN-Committee

Meeting adjourned – Motion by Wilhorn seconded by Zindorf to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m. Motion carried.