

The January meeting of the Land/Water/Education Committee was called to order by Chairman Piechowski at 1:03 p.m. on January 5, 2009.

Members present: Crawford, Eckstein, Fenske, Piechowski, Krentz.

Others present included Barker, Williams, Nehring, Caravella, Girdauskas.

A motion by Krentz, second by Fenske to approve the agenda, motion carried.

A motion by Krentz, second by Crawford to approve the minutes of the last meeting, motion carried.

Staff Reports – Monthly written reports handed out, discussed and placed on file. A motion by Fenske, second by Crawford to approve agent reports, motion carried.

A motion by Eckstein, second by Crawford to end the UW-Extension portion of the meeting at 2:05 p.m., motion carried.

UW-Extension minutes taken by N. Girdauskas

The Land Conservation Department portion of the Land and Water Education Committee began at 2:05 p.m. on Monday, January 5th.

Committee members present: Joe Piechowski, Larry Crawford, Darrel Fenske, and Bernadette Krentz.

Also present: Mark Schumacher and Ed Hernandez.

A motion was made by Fenske, 2nd by Krentz to approve the minutes of last month's meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Krentz, 2nd by Fenske to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

Hernandez handed out and summarized the staff report and activities for the last month, including the 2009 cost sharing allocations and rankings, and the bills that were paid. Schumacher updated the Committee on the Gypsy Moth activities, including the fact that there will need to be a public informational meeting held in conjunction with the February 2 LWE meeting. He also reported that there will be a Cooperating Agency meeting held on January 29th at 9 a.m., and the LWE Committee is welcome to attend. These are held twice a year.

FSA Report:

Fenske reported on recent appeals, the DCP program, the milk sign up program, the disaster programs, and gave current grain prices.

Lake Reports:

Fenske reported that he attended the Pleasant Lake District meeting on December 6th, which lasted about 3 hours. Krentz reported she had a lake district meeting tonight, but had several other meetings at the same time, and might not be able to attend.

New Business:

A motion was made by Krentz, 2nd by Fenske to approve the CREP contract amendment, as presented. Motion carried.

Other reports:

No APHIS report.

No RC&D report

Hernandez read a report from NRCS.

Hernandez also reported that 17 miles of windbreaks have been installed by the CWWP.

The next meeting will be on Monday, February 2nd at 1 p.m. beginning with a Gypsy Moth public meeting.

There being no other business, a motion was made by Krentz, 2nd by Eckstein to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Mark Schumacher, Acting Recording Secretary for Land Conservation.