

# BAYFIELD COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

March 13, 2009

*Present:* David Good, Chairperson; Marco Bichanich; Bucky Jardine

*Staff:* Butch Lobermeier, Ben Dufford, Stefania Strzalkowska, Darienne McNamara, Dave Schultz and Jennifer Schierman

*Advisors:* Fred Strand

*Attendance:* Mark A-A, Cnty Admin.(10:05-11:30), David Applegren (lft @ 10:30)

*Absent:* Jim Beeksma, Peter Tetzner, Loretta Skaj

1. Call to Order by David Good, Chairman at 9:05 am
2. Minutes from December 19, 2008 LCC meeting accepted as presented. **Motion** to approve December 19, 2008 minutes by *Jardine / Bichanich* - carried.
3. Public Comment – no public attended.
4. Agency Staff / Partners Reports: **FS** – Made a brief presentation on deer/deer management: population status and our Deer Management Unit Review project: this includes considering changes in deer population goals and unit boundaries. For this review DNR is suggesting a consolidation of deer management units into fewer units. A detailed report is on file. Also, reported on deer study sampling for CWD & bovine TB, rcvd. 8,700 samples back which were all negative! **GH** - Provided updates on EQIP, WHIP, WRP, CREP & Compliance Status Reviews – detailed report on file
5. Wildlife Damage Program -
  - a) *Damage Assessment Appeal:* *Dave Appelgren* attended meeting to make appeal to LCC regarding claim denial letter. He questions the appraisal procedure that landowners are to follow and also how the value is determined. **DS** went over the process in detail and also placed report on file. **DG:** Main questions – 1)Were the rules and procedures followed dealing with claim? 2) Were standards deviated from? **Motion** to deny appeal of damage assessment to *Dave Appelgren* made by *Good / Jardine* - carried.
  - b) *Activity Report* – On file
  - c) *Temporary Electric Deer Fence Request* – **Motion** to approve temporary fence cost estimated at \$725.40 for *Einar Olsen, Bayfield Apple Co.* made by *Bichanich / Jardine* - carried.
6. Land and Water Resource Management Plan Update – Direct mailed 360 surveys; submitted press release directing people to a link of the survey on the county website. To date have received approx. a 21% return (79 total, 15 via email). A Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) is being developed. Land Records will develop a new map. Process is moving forward nicely.
7. FPP Contracts – *Seipel (renewal/expired); Netz (expired)* - **Motion** to approve *Seipel* FPP application and forward resolution to County Board for approval by *Jardine / Bichanich* - carried. **Motion** to approve *Netz* FPP application and forward resolution to County Board for approval by *Bichanich / Jardine* - carried.
8. 2008 Financial – 2008 budget summary reviewed. **Motion** to receive and place on file 2008 financial report by *Jardine / Bichanich* - carried.
9. 2008 Annual Report - **Motion** to receive/place on file and forward 2008 Annual Report to County Board for approval by *Good / Jardine* - carried.
10. 2009 DATCP Final Allocation Review and Comments – **BL:** Discussed in length his take on the potential DATCP allocation. Butch & Dave plan to attend upcoming public hearings and make presentation on behalf of Bayfield County. The County Administrator is drafting a letter to DATCP requesting more funds, but at a minimum the \$6,477.00, which is better than nothing.

MARCH 13, 2009 MINUTES – continued:

11. 2010 Expectations for the Non-Point and Local Conservation Programming – **BL:** reported that \$500,000 has been reduced from staffing grant base. This could add approx \$15,000 to levy in 2010. **DG:** Maintaining a good base/structure is more crucial at this point than other programs can be pursued. The LCC supports the direction we're moving!!
12. WALCE Professional Development Conference Report – Most of the department attended the conference. All felt it was a good networking opportunity and felt
13. Lake Superior CREP – **DM:** briefly went over accomplishments already made in the short time she's been onboard – report on file.
14. LWCD Staff Reports
  - a) *Conservationist:* report on file
  - b) *Technician:* report on file
  - c) *AIS Coordinator:* report on file (next LCC mtg. AIS will top staff reports)
15. Other business as authorized by law – **SS:** Is working on interdepartmental logo to be presented during next LCC meeting. **DG:** Dept. should work on this collectively and agree on design.
16. Next meeting date: **Friday, June 5, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m. (E.O.C. Room)**
17. Adjourn: **Motion** to adjourn *Jardine / Bichanich* – carried: 12:04 pm.

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## MINUTES

June 5, 2009

*Present:* David Good, Chairperson; Jim Beeksma, Vice-Chair; Marco Bichanich; Bucky Jardine; Peter Tetzner

*Absent:* Loretta Skaj

*Staff:* Butch Lobermeier, Ben Dufford, Stefania Strzalkowska, Darienne McNamara, Dave Schultz; Jennifer Schierman and Amanda Seely

*Advisors:* Gary Haughn

*Attendance:* Mark A-A, Cnty Admin.(9:00 – 9:55)

18. Called to order by: David Good, Chairman at 9:00 am
19. Introduce COLIP Intern: Amanda Seely began her internship on June 1<sup>st</sup>. She recently completed her junior year at Northland College and is studying natural resources and biology.
20. Minutes from March 13, 2009 LCC meeting accepted as presented: **Motion** to approve March 13, 2009 minutes by *Jardine / Beeksma* - carried.
21. Public Comment – **MAA:** Thanked the LWCD for working on the County rain garden. This project allowed the County to apply with the City of Washburn for storm-water credit.
22. Agency Staff / Partners Reports – **GH:** Reported that EQUIP had a great sign-up this year with 8 applicants. Unfortunately, only able to fund the 1<sup>st</sup> two applicants. Fencing rules have changed which forces all fencing into 1 (one) year contracts/projects. This makes the cost increase dramatically. CREP is going very well.
23. Wildlife Damage Program
  - a) *Dave Shultz, Activity Report* – Report on file. Also funding for the next two years will allow an increase in deductible from \$250 to \$500 (2010).
24. Land and Water Resource Management Plan Update – **BL:** Reported we were notified that we did not get the \$3,000 coastal management grant applied for. Therefore, the plan will be done “in-house”.
25. Conservation Observance Day – Farmer of the Year (*June 25-26, 2009*) **BL:** reminding all about this upcoming event being held in Douglas County. BC LWCD will attend/help with this event in whatever capacity necessary.
26. 2010 Expectations for the Non-Point and Local Conservation Programming – **BL:** Bayfield County asks that the Joint Finance Committee restore the latest cuts through a one-time lapse in the SEG appropriation for Nutrient Management cost sharing. **Motion** authorize a letter be sent to the entire Joint Finance Committee by *Bichanich/ Jardine* – carried.
27. Status Report: Lake Superior CREP – Darienne McNamara – Report on file
28. LWCD Staff Reports:
  - a) *Stefania Strzalkowska, AIS Coordinator* – Report on file
  - b) *Jennifer Schierman, Office Manager* – Report on file
  - c) *Ben Dufford, Technician* – Report on file
  - d) *Butch Lobermeier, County Conservationist* – Report on file
29. Other business as authorized by law - None
30. Next meeting date **Friday, August 7, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m. (E.O.C. Room)**
31. Adjourn: **Motion** to adjourn *Jardine / Bichanich* – carried: 11:03 a.m.

# BAYFIELD COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

## MINUTES August 7, 2009

*Present:* David Good, Chairperson; Jim Beeksma, Vice-Chair; Marco Bichanich; Bucky Jardine; Peter Tetzner  
*Staff:* Butch Lobermeier, Al Sagert, Dave Schultz; Jennifer Schierman and Amanda Seely  
*Advisors:* Gary Haughn  
*Absent:* Ben Dufford, Stefania Strzalkowska, Loretta Skaj  
*Attendance:* None

32. Called to order by: David Good, Chairman at 9:04 am
33. Introduced CREP Technician: Alex Sagert
34. Minutes from June 5, 2009 LCC meeting accepted as presented: **Motion** to approve June 5, 2009 minutes by *Bichanich / Jardine* - carried.
35. Public Comment – None
36. Agency Staff / Partners Reports – **GH:** Reported that EQIP had a great sign-up this year with 8 applicants. Unfortunately, only able to fund the 1<sup>st</sup> two applicants. Fencing rules have changed which forces all fencing into 1 (one) year contracts/projects. This makes the cost increase dramatically. CREP is going very well.
37. Wildlife Damage Program
  - a) *Dave Schultz, Activity Report* – Report on file. Dave also presented the 2010 WDA budget. It is also on file for review. **Motion** to approve 2010 WDA & Claims Program budget as presented by *Beeksma / Bichanich* - carried.
38. Status Report: Lake Superior CREP – Alex Sagert – Report on file. Al has been familiarizing himself with the program and workplace. He noted that applications need to be in soon in order to begin site prep. The 15 year contract begins in October. He plans to begin talking to partners early in 2010.
39. LWCD Staff Reports:
  - a) *Stefania Strzalkowska, AIS Coordinator* – Report on file
  - b) *Jennifer Schierman, Office Manager* – Report on file
  - c) *Ben Dufford, Technician* – Report on file
  - d) *Butch Lobermeier, County Conservationist* – Report on file. It was also mentioned that Zoning is willing to waive fees if landowner agrees to work with LWCD on both mitigation/restoration. Lake Nabagamom is interested in doing a whole lake project. Interested people are going to the Howling Wolf project to check it out.
40. 2010 Budget Proposal – The 2010 budget proposal was presented and reviewed with some discussion. Noting that the 3<sup>rd</sup> position is very important to the department. **Motion** to proceed with preliminary 2010 budget proposal as presented and bring forward to executive committee by *Beeksma / Bichanich* - carried.
41. Other business as authorized by law - None
42. Next meeting/Fall Tour date: **Friday, October 16, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m. (Board Room)**
43. Adjourn: **Motion** to adjourn *Bichanich / Beeksma* – carried: 10:58 a.m.