

GRANT COUNTY CONSERVATION, SANITATION, & ZONING COMMITTEE MEETING

July 5, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Grant County Board Room (#264)

Lancaster, Wisconsin

The Grant County Conservation, Sanitation & Zoning Committee meeting was called to order on July 5, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. by Dwight Nelson, the Conservation, Sanitation, and Zoning Committee Chairman, in the Grant County Board Room #264, 111 S. Jefferson St., Lancaster.

Board members present: Dwight Nelson, Mark Stead, Lester Jantzen, Roger Guthrie, Grant Loy, Dale Hood, and Gary Northouse. Others present: Lynda Schweikert, Annette Lolwing, Kevin Lange, Joe Schmelz, and Tom Mercer.

Certification of Open Meeting Law

Annette Lolwing sent the agenda to Karla Schwantes and Linda Gebhard to post in the Administration Building and at the Courthouse, also sent an agenda to Bob Middendorf, WGLR, and was posted in the front of the Ag Service Center Building. Media notices were sent to Karla Schwantes, Linda Gebhard, Herald Independent, Tri County Press, Platteville Journal, and the Muscoda Progressive.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Grant Loy to approve the Agenda as written. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse to approve the June 7, 2016 Minutes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Bills

Motion by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Dale Hood to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None

Public Hearing for Rezones

Chairman Nelson opened the Public Hearing:

#16-20 John & Karen Majerus are requesting to change the zoning classification on PIN: 046-00165-0000 of 10.97 ac. from M1 to M2 to allow the use of open pit mining.

In Favor: Tom Mercer and Paris Twp. approved on April 18, 2016.

In Opposition: None

In Interest: None

Dwight Nelson closed the Public Hearing:

Motion by Mark Stead, to recommend approval to the County Board, seconded by Grant Loy. Motion carried.

Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permits

Chairman Nelson opened the Public Hearing:

#CUP 16-002 John & Karen Majerus/Milestone Materials is requesting a Conditional Use Permit of 10.97 ac. on 046-00165-0000, to allow the use of quarrying and mining aggregate materials.

In Favor: Tom Mercer and Paris Twp. approved on June 16, 2016.

In Opposition: None

In Interest: None

Dwight Nelson closed the Public Hearing:

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Mark Stead to approve the Conditional Use Permit, with a 5 year expiration date. Motion carried.

Chairman Nelson opened the Public Hearing:

#CUP 16-003 Donald Adametz/Milestone Materials is requesting a Conditional Use Permit of 60.0 acres on 062-00224-0000, 062-00252-0000, 062-00274-0000 & 062-00289-0000, to allow the use of quarrying and mining aggregate materials.

In Favor: Tom Mercer and Wingville Twp. approved on June 16, 2016.

In Opposition: None

In Interest: None

Dwight Nelson closed the Public Hearing:

Motion by Grant Loy, seconded by Roger Guthrie to approve the Conditional Use Permit, with a 5 year expiration date. Motion carried.

Chairman Nelson opened the Public Hearing:

#CUP 16-004 Mathy Construction/Milestone Materials is requesting a Conditional Use Permit on PIN: 026-01128-0010, 026-01130-0020-0000, 026-01131-0030, & 026-01132-0020 of 63.0 ac. to allow quarrying and mining aggregate materials.

In Favor: Tom Mercer and Jamestown Twp. approved on June 7, 2016.

In Opposition: None

In Interest: None

Dwight Nelson closed the Public Hearing:

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Roger Guthrie to approve the Conditional Use Permit, with a 5 year expiration date and they agree to restore the land to a condition suitable for agricultural use. Motion carried. (See Attachment A Worksheet)

Chairman Nelson opened the Public Hearing:

#CUP 16-005 Arnold Anderson/Milestone Materials is requesting a Conditional Use Permit on PIN: 050-01014-0000, and 050-01016-0000 of 80.0 ac. to allow the use of quarrying and mining of aggregate material.

In Favor: Tom Mercer and Platteville Twp. approved on April 9, 2016. It is consistent with their comp plan.

In Interest: None

Dwight Nelson closed the Public Hearing:

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Dale Hood to approve the Conditional Use Permit with a 5 year expiration date and they agree to restore the land to a condition suitable for agricultural use. Motion carried. (See Attachment B Worksheet)

Chairman Nelson opened the Public Hearing:

#CUP 16-006 Vesperman Corporation is requesting a Conditional Use Permit on PIN: 056-00517-0000, & 056-00520-0000, of 4 ac to allow the use and displaying, dispensing and selling or serving of intoxicating beverages.

In Favor: South Lancaster Twp. approved May 11, 2016.

In Opposition: None

In Interest: None

Dwight Nelson closed the Public Hearing:

Motion by Lester Jantzen, seconded by Roger Guthrie to approve the Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried.

Zoning and Sanitation Report

Lynda reported that there were 14 applications for the zoning/sanitation technician position. Interviews will be held on July 6, 2016.

Copy Machine Lease Report

Lynda handed out a comparison sheet of a new copy machine vs. our old copy machine and what we are paying now for the maintenance fee and the overage of copies vs. a new black and white copy machine through the Gordon Flesch Company. The copy machine that we have, we leased for 5 years, and at the end of 5 years we purchased the copier for \$1.00 and put a maintenance agreement on it. Each year the maintenance agreement increases 10% and we have a large amount of paper overage since the merging of the departments. Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse to enter into the 5 year agreement, with the last year of a possible increase, for a new black and white copy machine. Motion carried.

Storage Permit Approval

None to Report

Preliminary Budget Recommendations

Lynda handed out two different budget scenarios, 1st scenario is with no wage increase added in, just the health insurance increase of 10 – 15% and step increases leaving an increase in the budget of 2.84% over the 2016 budget. The 2nd scenario is a 1% increase in wages along with the health care increases, and step increases leaving a 3.93% increase from the 2016 budget. Committee would like to see the department come in with a 0%-1% increase. Lynda handed out a sheet asking committee for recommendations where they would like to address the budget shortfalls. Use carryover funds? Cut Programs? Charge more in fees? Create New Fees on existing programs? Committee recommended using carryover and possible fee increases.

County Cost Sharing

Lynda presented a cancellation request for Roger Guthrie, Patch Grove Twp., \$669.00 for county cost sharing on a grade stabilization structure project. Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen to approve the cancellation request. Motion carried.

Lynda presented final approval request for county cost sharing on well decommissioning #1, for John and Jena Barr, East Beetown Twp., \$353.43. Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Roger Guthrie to approve payment. Roll Call: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Lynda presented final approval request for county cost sharing on a well decommissioning #2 for John and Jena Barr, East Beetown Twp., \$415.41. Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Grant Loy to approve payment. Roll Call: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Lynda presented final approval request for county cost sharing on a stream crossing project for Myron Tranel, Platteville Twp., \$2,708.52. Motion by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Grant Loy to approve payment. Roll Call: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Lynda presented tentative approval request for county cost sharing on 2 well decommissionings for Dustin Leibfried, South Potosi Twp., \$500.00; and for Jim Walsh, Jamestown Twp., \$500.00. Motion by Lester Jantzen, seconded by Gary Northouse to approve Dustin and Jim's request. Motion carried.

SWRM Cost Sharing

2015 DATCP Cost Sharing

No Cost Sharing requests.

2016 DATCP Cost Sharing

Lynda presented final approval request for 2016 DATCP cost sharing on a grade stabilization structure for Roger Guthrie, Patch Grove Twp., \$5,663.04. Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse to approve payment. Roll Call: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, Roger Guthrie Abstained. Motion carried.

2016 SWRM Grant Approval

This was approved at the June 7th meeting.

CSZD Administrator Report

Lynda asked for any comments from those who attended the SAA Tour on Wednesday, June 22nd in Iowa County. Consensus of those who attended was: excellent tour, good food, and really enjoyed the Gollon Bait & Fish Farm. Grant County's turn to host the tour in 2017.

Lynda reported that there is no BOA meeting scheduled for August.

Lean Update

Lynda reported that she has been attending the Lean Support Group meetings. She has volunteered to be in the Lean Facilitators Group in the County. This is to get a core group to facilitate Lean Projects. Lynda would like to propose a lean project to address our citation issues. To get more implementation through the 3 year maintenance program, and through the citation process before it goes to a warrant.

FPP Report: Kevin Lange

Kevin reported that he has been working on a lot of CREP and has 30+ applications to complete by the middle of September.

Kevin reported that it is Grant County's turn to host the high school land judging contest for this fall, in late September/October. He has chosen the site and has it approved by the landowner.

NRCS Report: Joe Schmelz

- ❖ Joe reported that they are done with funds for FY16. The next batching date (application deadline) will be September 2, 2016 for FY17 funds.
- ❖ There will be a Local Workgroup meeting scheduled for August 2nd from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Belmont Convention Center. This is for Grant, Iowa and Lafayette Counties. There is a pot of money that is divided up by farmstead, cropland, pasture, and forest. This meeting is for the public and for partner input. This is to provide input of the percentage of cost sharing to put toward the 4 land groups, and to prioritize the practices. They also go through a ranking process of National questions, State questions, and Local questions. They usually prioritize the practices according to the Land and Water Resource Management Plan.
- ❖ They just signed up 5 new CSP contracts, and 5 renewals.
- ❖ NRCS is staying caught up with the AD1026's; HEL Determinations, and Wetland Determinations. Have had around 155 HEL determinations completed in 2016 so far.
- ❖ Have all 50 of the compliance reviews completed. Looking for HEL compliance, gullies, and wetland violations. Only a handful of landowners will have a variance that have 1 year to get into compliance.
- ❖ CRP continues to be busy. Between HELI and CREP for new contracts is around 160 contracts for 6,000 acres. Between CREP, HELI, and General we have around 60 renewals for around 1,000 acres.
- ❖ Josh Bushee, Soil Conservationist, is out of the office for 6 weeks and is acting DC in Baraboo, Sauk County.
- ❖ Halley Williams will be transitioning to Iowa.
- ❖ Joe mentioned the Trout Unlimited Tour in the Northern part of the county. It is located south of County Road Q on Biba Road on the Blue River. People come from all over the driftless area and usually bring 2 tour busses for the tours.

FSA Report: Tammy Eibey

Tammy turned in a report for Dwight to present to the committee.

Keep in mind the FSA elections.

See Attached Report.

RC&D/WLWCA/LWCB Report: Dale Hood

None to Report

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen to adjourn until August 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Annette Lolwing for Lester Jantzen

(Attachment A Worksheet)

Conditional Use Permit for Non Metallic Mining in Farmland Preservation

Date: 7/5/16

Landowner: Mathy Construction / milestone materials

The Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee may issue a conditional use permit for a proposed land use as they determine in writing that the proposed use meets applicable conditions under this section. The CSZC may issue the permit subject to any additional conditions which the CSZC deems necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance.

1. The operation complies with all of the following: ☒ YES NO
 - a. Subchapter I of ch. 295, Wis. Stats., and rules promulgated under that subchapter.
 - b. Applicable provisions of Chapter 180, the Non-Metallic Mining Reclamation Ordinance
 - c. Any applicable requirements of the WI Dept. of Trans. concerning the restoration of non-metallic mineral extraction sites.
2. The operation and its location in the farmland preservation zoning district are consistent with the purposes of the farmland preservation zoning district. ☒ YES NO
3. The operation and its location in the farmland preservation zoning district are reasonable and appropriate, considering alternative locations outside the farmland preservation zoning district, or are specifically approved under state or federal law. ☒ YES NO
4. The operation is reasonably designed to minimize the conversion of land around the extraction site from agricultural use or open space use. ☒ YES NO
5. The operation does not substantially impair or limit the current or future agricultural use of other protected farmland. ☒ YES NO

The CSZC ☒ approves / ☐ does not approve the Conditional Use Permit with the following conditions if applicable.
Circle one

1. The conditional use permit requires the landowner to restore the affected land after the non-metallic mineral extraction operation is completed. The permit shall require the landowner to restore the land to a condition suitable for agricultural use, according to a written restoration plan included with the permit. Note: see s. 91.46 (6), Wis. Stats.
2. 5 year limit

(Attachment B Worksheet)

Conditional Use Permit for Non Metallic Mining in Farmland Preservation

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Grant County FSA Report

July 5, 2016

Submitted by: Tammy Eibey, CED

July is here and our major deadlines are:

2016 Crop report deadline of July 15, 2016 (late files have a fee of \$46.00 per farm)

2016 ARC/PLC program sign up ends August 1, 2016. (No late file provisions)

We normally complete close to 3500 farm crop certifications and of those 2750 are in the ARC/PLC Program. You must certify 100% of the cropland on a farm to remain eligible for the program payments.

We are planning for our County Committee Election for 2016. I have attached a flyer that lists the important dates for the election. In Grant County our area up for election is Local Administrative Area 1 which are the townships of Potosi, Waterloo, Cassville, Glen Haven, Beetown, South Lancaster, Little Grant, Bloomington, Wyalusing, Patch Grove, Mount Hope, Woodman and Millville. Only eligible voters in those townships may be nominated for the ballots and vote. On July 6th we will serve treats for producers coming in to the office and give them information about the Election process and the County Committee System.

As always I will mention the CRP program. It remains to be a high workload program for us in Grant County. We have several that are expiring and every day we get at least one new person showing interest. We have not heard anything about acres running out for HELI or changes to our soil rental rates. It remains to keep several employees busy with general maintenance issues, mowing requests, cost share requests, contract revisions/successions and new contracts.

We appreciate the producers' patience during this time in the office.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at 608-723-7697 or stop in at 150 W. Alona Lane.

Thank you,

Tammy Eibey