

**MINUTES**  
**Land Conservation Committee Meeting**  
**Date: December 8, 2011**

**1. Meeting called to order at: 5:30 pm**

**Present:** Bob Bunker, Dave Ladd, Dan Nankee, Art Whitford, and Ron Benish, John Meyers, Bill Grover

**Absent:**

**Others Present:** Carol Anderson, Jim McCaulley, Lucas Connemey, Al Kosharek, Glen Gard

**Notice of Meeting Certification:**

Motion to accept by: Ron Benish

Seconded by: Dan Nankee

**2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes of Previous Meeting by:**

Motion to accept by: Ron Benish

Seconded by: Dan Nankee

**Additions to agenda:** 1. Office space issues 2. LCD Quarterly Report  
3. Add public comments

**MEETING NOTES:** Carol commented on Lucas doing good work on her contours.

**3. Blackhawk Lake Update:**

Jim handed out Blackhawk Lake audits to members. Only bylaw change needed, is borrowing authority. Operations agreement was handed out. Reviewed BH Lake financial procedures (with noted changes) from Commissioner Carol Anderson. **Motion by Ron Benish and Second by Bill Grover to accept BHL procedures, motion carried.**

Discussion was held to make changes to BHL/County reporting.

**Motion by Ron Benish and Seconded by John Meyers to have BHL forward agenda and minutes to County Clerk, and monthly financial reports to the Iowa County Finance Director, motion carried.**

**4. Birch Lake Annual Report/Update:**

Mike Peterson gave Annual Report (oral and written) on repairs, grandstand posts, scoreboard, lights, concession stand, yard barn, dugouts, and received grant to do Engineer study on the lake. Proof of insurance was handed out. Jim will go to corp. counsel to update agreement with Barneveld/Birch Lake.

Motion to approve– John Meyers  
Second by – Bill Grover  
– Motion carried

**5. Green Sheet**

Jim went over Green Sheet. Everyone liked it.

**6. WLI/FPP Self Certification Mailing**

Lucas explained the self certification mailing changes. Lucas and Tammy did a good job – More user friendly.

**7. LWRM Contract Deposit Policy:**

Talked about projects lost at the last minute and shuffling to reallocate money. Topic will be moved to February's meeting.

**8. Request to DATCP, LWRM Plan Update:**

Went over letter to Dennis Presser and was asked for signatures on the letter from committee members.

Motion to accept, sign & send letter – John Meyers  
Second by – Ron Benish  
– Motion carried

**9. LWRM Project Approvals/Payments:**

Went over the list of projects needing approval and payments that have been made since October meeting.

Motion to approve project & payments – Ron Benish  
Second by – John Meyers  
– Motion carried

**10. State WLWCA Bylaws:**

No action. (However, at WLWCA Annual Meeting, Iowa County casted by proxy a vote in favor of merging with WALCE with review of bylaws in two years).

## **11. Thursday Notes**

NA

## **12. Other Business**

USDA is going to post for space, expression of interest. We are first LCD County that is left out. We need 600 sq. feet.

Jim went over the LCD quarterly report for EDEP. Birch Lake topic was added to the quarterly report. Everyone liked the report. No action needed.

## **13. Comments from Committee Members**

Bill Grover commented on the Sylvan Property being preserved. Jim McCaulley commented on visit to property. We looked at maps of the property.

## **14. Set Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm

Motion to accept – Ron Benish  
seconded by – Art Whitford  
-Motion carried.