

LAKE EAU CLAIRE ASSOCIATION/LAKE EAU CLAIRE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT JOINT MEETING

Minutes

March 3, 2018: 10:00am @ Bridge Creek Town Hall

S9515 State Road 27, Augusta Wi 54722

Present: Fred Poss, Dean Boehne, Pam Hanson, Lori Bechtel, Duane Ives, Al Hendricks, Greg Leonard, Amy Quella, Gary Gibson, Marlo Orth, Mike Lea, Cathy Lea

1. The meeting was called to order by Lori Bechtel at 10:00 am

2. TWBT & GPT clean out status: Marlo

The trap clean out is complete with approximate amounts removed 12000 cu. Yds from troubled waters and 9000 cu. Yds. From gravel pit. Exact amounts will be available soon. Marlo reported that material in the deposit sites can be sold with 50% of the proceeds going to the county. If anyone is interested in taking material from the sites, they can contact Marlo or Josh Peterson from the county forest and parks dept.

3. Watershed Plan Update: Greg Leonard

Greg Leonard from the Land Conservation Department gave an update on the Eau Claire River Watershed Plan. The plan has been approved by the EPA and the DNR which makes us eligible for grants from the EPA. There is a DNR grant approved for education and long term soil conservation practices.

UW Stout is interested in identifying problem areas in Eau Claire and Clark counties.

UWEC is looking at a new groundwater plan update.

Most of the available grants are aimed at improving agriculture practices.

4. Potential New Hay Creek Sediment Trap/Land Purchase: Marlo

The original plan to access the new proposed trap from the east will be more difficult and expensive than first thought so accessing the area from a vacant lot from the west was investigated. The current asking price for the lot is \$29,400. Work will need to be done this spring to verify that this will be a suitable area for the new trap and to get more information about the existing well and septic on the property. Marlo will stay in contact with the current owner to negotiate the sale if it is decided that this is the best route to follow.

5: Balloon Payment:

There is a balloon payment of \$8925 coming due on Feb. 15, 2019 for payment of the land purchased for the aerator building.

6. Other Business

There was discussion on how to promote attendance at the annual lake district meeting. The idea was brought up to have an informational session before the meeting for people interested in the details of management projects that have been done and still need to be done. The voter's meeting would be held immediately following in the interest of keeping this part of the meeting to a manageable length. Other ideas included having microphones available for speakers with opposing views to take turns and everyone getting a chance to talk before anyone could speak a second time.

The association has agreed to come up with some ideas to share with the district at a future meeting.

7. Adjourned at 11:28 am