

The Environment and Land Use Committee met in Room A-200 of the Administration Center.

Present: Supervisors Dohrwardt, Hazelwood, Niehaus, Kaul, Stumpf and FSA Representative Dobberfuhl. Staff: County Administrator Meaux, Land & Water Management Director Holschbach, Planning & Parks Director Struck and County Clerk Winkelhorst.

Note: * FSA Representative Vote included.

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda*: Meeting called to order by Chairperson Dohrwardt at 8:30AM. Assurance that the meeting was properly noticed, so noted by Ms. Winkelhorst. Motion made by Supervisor Niehaus, seconded by Supervisor Hazelwood to adopt the agenda as presented. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0)

Public Comments/Correspondence and Communications: There were none.

Approve Minutes from the May 8 Meeting*: Motion made by Supervisor Kaul, seconded by FSA Representative Dobberfuhl to approve the May 8 minutes as submitted. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0).

Land & Water Management Department:

Action Item:

Acceptance of Wisconsin Coastal Management Program Grant – Rain Garden Initiative*: Mr. Holschbach stated that the grant is for \$9,000 for the establishment of six educational rain gardens. The rain gardens would be located at sites in the Town of Cedarburg, Villages of Fredonia and Grafton and on County property. There is a 50% match required that will be provided as an in-kind contribution from the construction side. Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District will provide the plants at half price.

8:54AM Supervisor Rothstein joined the meeting.

Motion made by Supervisor Stumpf, seconded by Supervisor Niehaus to accept the Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant in the amount of \$9,000. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0)

8:35AM Craig Ficene, Coordinator, Town and Country Resource Conservation & Development, Inc. joined the meeting.

Discussion Item:

Ash Wood Utilization – Impact of Emerald Ash Borer, Craig Ficene, Coordinator, Town and Country Resource Conservation & Development, Inc.: Mr. Ficene explained that Town and Country Resource Conservation & Development (T & C RCD) is a small program in the Natural Resources Conservation Service that supports regional nonprofit organizations that are supported by the USDA and are run and directed by county and local leadership. The T & C RCD covers a 13 county area. An update of projects the program is working on.

Regarding the Emerald Ash Borer beetle, Mr. Ficene stated they are partnering with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) in pursuing a USDA Forest Service State & Private Forestry Competitive Grant Initiative. The scope of the project includes detecting, monitoring and reducing the Emerald Ash Borer population through utilization and outreach workshops and projects for landowners; providing information on management options to urban and rural forest managers and facilitating the implementation of those options.

Discussion on options for wood utilization. Workshops will be provided in the fall and they are looking for local input and involvement. T & C RCD will administer the grant and would like a representative from the County or a citizen with a business interest in wood utilization to be involved.

Supervisor Rothstein questioned uses that Michigan and other states have done about the infestation. This is an area that should be further explored. Mr. Ficene stated that what is being suggested in Wis-

consin is beyond what other states may have been capable of doing given the forest industry here. Further discussion on alternatives to control. This is informational only.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Mr. Holschbach stated that the letter was sent in support of keeping the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program under the purview of the Department of Administration (DOA). The Joint Finance Committee agreed and nothing further has been done in that regards.

President Obama has named Cameron Davis as overseer of the Great Lakes as there will be more attention paid to the Great Lakes and possible funding targeted for this.

George Roberts, Town of Port Washington landowner received the 2008 Sheboygan River Basin Partnership Private Lands Steward Award. He was unable to attend to receive the award so it will be presented to him on June 23, 2-3pm. The committee is invited to attend and a tour of his property will be conducted.

Mr. Holschbach updated the committee on the complaint that was received from the WDNR regarding septic discharge into the right-of-way of Lake Church Road which flows to Sucker Creek. At this time none of the landowners have contacted the County for a dye test. The next step would be to have the County plug the discharge point to prevent further discharge. Discussion on the enforcement of this issue.

9:40AM Register of Deeds Voigt and Tammy Leibfried, Systems Consultant, Fidlar Technologies joined the meeting.

Planning and Parks Department:

Discussion Item:

Arranging a Joint Meeting with Public Works Committee re: Potential Land Acquisition at Fairgrounds and Responding to the Town of Cedarburg's Request Regarding Covered Bridge Park: Mr. Meaux stated that with the recent adoption of language to the Policy and Procedure Manual regarding disposition and acquisition of property, he is suggesting a joint meeting of the Environment & Land Use and Public Works Committees. The issues to be discussed would be the possible acquisition of land at the fairgrounds and the request from the Town of Cedarburg to acquire the Covered Bridge County Park.

The consensus is to schedule a joint meeting at 8:00AM prior to the County Board meeting on June 17.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Mr. Struck reported that staff has been working with SEWRPC on the Shoreland Floodplain Zoning maps. A determination is needed from the WDNR regarding a conflict where some of the waterbodies are identified as both navigable ponds and wetlands. They cannot be both. This may have to be done by the WDNR on a case by case basis and may require some additional field work.

The department has been developing a new website and it should be going live shortly. Staff is moving forward on a new County Highway map. It is scheduled to be printed by the end of September. Mr. Struck has been working with the Highway Department on the stormwater management mapping for the WDNR. Next week the filming for the Comprehensive Planning DVD will start. Staff will be working with the City of Port Washington and the County Highway Department on the construction of an overlook viewing deck at Harborview County Park in the next few weeks.

10:00AM Supervisor Rothstein excused.

Register of Deeds/Land Information:

Action Item:

Upgrade Register of Deeds Document Management System from Fidlars' "Idoc" to "Avid": Mr. Voigt explained that the County has an opportunity to update the current document management system. This was going to be proposed for 2010, but Fidlar Technologies has the desire to install their new application in a county, such as Ozaukee, which has third party scanning software. Fidlar has offered incentives to the county to initiate this application in 2009. The company has offered a 10% discount on the installation and another 10% discount on maintenance for the duration of the five year contract.

Mr. Voigt further explained that the Land Information office has potential funding for this in 2009. Mr. Voigt would also like this considered under the County incentive grant monies program. Mr. Voigt feels that this product is so efficient that he will reduce his staff by one person in the 2010 budget. The cost for this year would be \$21,200 and for the next five years \$41,850 annually.

Ms. Leibfried explained the "Avid" application and features. Mr. Voigt stated that staff has reviewed this application over the last year. It is currently installed in four counties and has been very successful.

Motion made by Supervisor Hazelwood, seconded by Supervisor Niehaus to approve the request for the document management system upgrade in 2009. Discussion on the system costs and savings with the staff reduction. In response to a question, Mr. Voigt stated that the system will integrate with GIS, but does not do GIS work. Every document that is recorded in the Register of Deeds office will go through this system. The vote was then taken on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

Supervisor Stumpf is requesting that the committee discuss costs and fee structure for the Register of Deeds at a future meeting.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Included in the packet. There were no further comments.

10:33AM UW Extension Director O'Neil joined the meeting.

University Extension Office:

Discussion Items:

Update on Family Living Position Vacancy: Mr. O'Neil reported that a verbal acceptance was received yesterday.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports: Included in the packet. There were no further comments.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, July 10 – 8:30AM

Adjournment*: Motion made by Supervisor Stumpf, seconded by FSA Representative Dobberfuhl, to adjourn. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 10:47AM

Julianne B. Winkelhorst, County Clerk