

**MINUTES
LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING**

June 4, 2024

Vernon County Erlandson Building, 1st Floor Conference Room, 318 Fairlane Dr. in Viroqua, WI

Item #1 Call to Order—pledge of allegiance, open meeting notice, approval of agenda, approval of April 2, 2024, LWCB meeting minutes.

Call to Order

The Land and Water Conservation Board (Board) met in person at Vernon County Erlandson Building, 1st Floor Conference Room, 318 Fairlane Dr. in Viroqua, WI on **June 4, 2024**. The meeting was preceded by public notice as required by Wis. Stat. § 19.84. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Cupp at **9:30 a.m.** and the pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Members and Advisors Present

Members: Mark Cupp, Monte Osterman, Brian McGraw, Ron Grasshoff, D.J. Nichols, Tim Anderson, Andrew Potts, and for Jill Schoen. A quorum was present.

Advisors: Matt Krueger (WI Land + Water), Ryan Gerlich (NRCS)

Approval of Agenda

Motion

McGraw motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Grasshoff, and the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion

Potts motioned to approve the April 2, 2024, meeting minutes as presented, seconded by McGraw, and the motion carried unanimously. The approved minutes shall be posted as the official meeting record for publication on the LWCB website.

Item #2 Public Appearances

No public appearance cards were submitted.

Item #3 Recommendation for approval of five-year Land and Water Resource Management Plan review for Chippewa County

Lynda Schweikert, County Conservationist, and Charles Bomar, Land Conservation and Forest Management Committee Chair, formally requested a recommendation of approval from the Board regarding the County's five-year LWRM plan review.

The County provided written answers to the Board's standardized questions, recent work plans and accomplishments, and other materials (available on LWCB's website: lwcb.wi.gov).

Motion

After a discussion between the Board and County representatives, McGraw motioned to recommend approval of Chippewa County's five-year LWRM plan review, seconded by Grasshoff, and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #4 Recommendation for approval of five-year Land and Water Resource Management Plan review for Vernon County

Ben Wojahn, Vernon County Conservationist, and Will Beitlich, Mary Henry, Nathaniel Slack and David Eggen, Land Conservation Committee Chair and Members, formally requested a recommendation of approval from the Board regarding the County's five-year LWRM plan review.

The County provided written answers to the Board's standardized questions, recent work plans and accomplishments, and other materials (available on LWCB's website: lwcb.wi.gov).

Motion

After a discussion between the Board and County representatives, McGraw motioned to recommend approval of Vernon County's five-year LWRM plan review, seconded by Osterman, and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #5 LWCB Advisory Committee on Research

Ron Grasshoff delivered an update on the LWCB Advisory Committee on Research. The Committee will reconvene on July 2, 2024.

Item #6 Agency Reports- Written Report Only

Agency reports may be accessed in the June 4, 2024 [meeting materials](#) on the Board's website.

Item #7 Planning for the August 6, 2024 LWCB meeting

The Board should expect the following at the next LWCB meeting:

- Five-year Review La Crosse, Marquette, and Price counties
- 2025 Joint Preliminary Allocation Plan
- DNR Presentation of the scores and rankings of the Targeted Runoff Management (TRM) Projects for CY 25
- DNR Presentation of the scores and rankings of the Urban Nonpoint Source and Stormwater Management Projects for CY 25
- Presentation of the 2023 Annual Soil and Water Conservation Report (if available)
- LWCB Advisory Committee on Research Updates

Item #8 Adjourn

Motion

Potts motioned to adjourn, seconded by McGraw, and the motion carried unanimously. The business meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m. and the Board convened to lunch and to make planned field visits to Sidie Hollow County Park, Yttri-Primmer Dam and Steve Barr's Grad Stabilization project.

These meeting minutes were approved at the August 6, 2024 meeting of the LWCB.