

Conservation/UW-EX Education Committee
July 8, 2013
Minutes

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Committee members present: Chairman Tom Rudolph, Jim Intrepidi, Bob Martini and Bob Mott. Excused: Greg Berard and Clint Zimbeck.

Others present: Erica Brewster, Tim Brown, Lynn Feldman, Michele Sadauskas, Jean Hansen, Nancy Gehrig (Fair Coordinator), Marcus Nesemann (River News) and Kerri Ison.

Call to order: Chairman Rudolph called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. noting the meeting has been properly posted and the facility is handicap accessible.

Approve agenda: Motion by Mott/Intrepidi to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the discretion of the Chair. All ayes; motion carried.

Approve minutes: Motion by Martini/Intrepidi to approve the minutes of 6/10/13 as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Date of future meetings:

8/12/13	1:30 p.m.	Extension meeting room
9/9/13	1:30 p.m.	Extension meeting room

Monthly staff report: Brown shared a presentation regarding short term rentals (de)regulation in the Northwoods which he shared at the Oneida County Resort Tour recently. Discussion followed.

Oneida County Fair update:

- Gehrig provided update on the event.
- No new members.
- Motion by Martini/Mott to approve the fair entertainment contracts as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Agency reports:

Lake districts: Committee members provided updates.

LWCB: Rudolph reported on recent/upcoming events.

WLWCA: Rudolph reported on recent/upcoming activities.

RC&D: Rudolph reported on recent/upcoming activities.

Other: Martini noted a public hearing will be held on shoreline ordinance tonight at 6 p.m. at the Woodruff Town Hall. Boat house construction will be one of the topics.

Out-of-county travel requests: Motion by Martini/Intrepidi to approve the out-of-county travel requests as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Approve monthly budget reports: None.

Monthly invoices:

- Motion by Martini/Mott to approve the invoices for LWCD as presented. All ayes; motion carried.
- Motion by Mott/Intrepidi to approve UWEX invoices as presented. All ayes; motion carried.
- Discussion was held regarding the carnival. Motion by Martini/Intrepidi to approve the invoices for the Oneida County Fair as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Office space update: Brewster provided update on office space issues. The study group will meet on 7/10/13 at 8:30 a.m. in the Buildings and Grounds Department.

2014 budget priorities: Lengthy discussion was held regarding the request for a full time Conservation Specialist.

AIS grant: Sadauskas noted the 2014 AIS grant application is due 8/1/13. The Department would also like to apply for a lake protection grant in the amount \$20,000. Discussion followed. Motion by Martini/Mott to approve the application for the AIS grant and lake protection grant as requested. All ayes; motion carried.

NCLWCA Summer Tour: Hansen provided update on the planning efforts for the Summer Tour.

County-cost share program/updates: Nothing additional.

Public comment/communications: Hansen provided a draft agenda for a potential Field Day with Legislators in Vilas County.

Items to be included on the next agenda: Oneida County Fair update, office space update, 2014 staffing requests, NCLWCA Summer Tour, AIS grant resolution, lake protection grant resolution, agents 133 contracts.

Adjournment: Motion by Intrepidi/Mott to adjourn at 3:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerri Ison, Recording Secretary

Thomas Rudolph, Chair