SHEBOYGAN COUNTY PLANNING, RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE & EXTENSION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Sheboygan County UW-Extension Office
5 University Drive
Sheboygan, WI
Room 5024
and
Remote

November 14, 2023 Called to Order: 3:02 PM Adjourned: 4:09 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Keith Abler, Supervisor John Nelson, Supervisor

Rebecca Clarke (remote), Supervisor Paul Gruber,

Supervisor Henry Nelson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ag Community Member Stan Lammers

OTHERS PRESENT: Aaron Brault, Ellen Schleicher, Megan Nasgovitz, Tyler Betry

(remote)

Chairperson Abler called the meeting to order at 3:02 PM and verified the meeting notice had been posted on November 13, 2023 at 1:00 PM and the meeting complied with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Supervisor John Nelson motioned to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2023 committee meeting. Motion seconded by Supervisor Henry Nelson. Motion carried with no opposition.

Correspondence: None

Register of Deeds-

Consideration of 3rd Quarter Variance Report. Ms. Schleicher presented the variance for the Register of Deeds. Supervisor Gruber moved to approve the variance. Motion seconded by Supervisor John Nelson. Motion carried with no opposition.

Chairperson Abler opened the public hearing at 3:06 PM.

To recommend by resolution the 2023 update to the Sheboygan County Farmland Preservation Plan. According to Wisconsin Statute 66.1001, Sheboygan County must update their Farmland Preservation Plan no later than January 1, 2024 in order to continue to legally administer the Farmland Preservation Program which offers tax incentives to farmers that are eligible for the program.

The public hearing notice was posted on October 27th and November 3rd in compliance with the state statute. Mr. Brault gave an overview of the Farmland Preservation Plan and the updates made based on new census data and zoning changes.

Public hearing closed at 3:11.

Supervisor John Nelson moved to approve the updated Farmland Preservation Plan. Motion seconded by Supervisor Henry Nelson. Motion carried with no opposition.

Planning & Conservation-

Consideration of 3rd Quarter Variance. Mr. Brault presented the variance for the Planning and Conservation Department. Supervisor Henry Nelson moved to approve the variance. Motion seconded by Supervisor Gruber. Motion carried with no opposition.

Consideration of Establishing a Non-Lapsing Account for Water Quality Improvement Projects for Monsanto Settlement Funds. Mr. Brault presented the request to set up a non-lapsing account with the settlement funds received to be used for water quality improvement projects. Supervisor Gruber moved to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Supervisor John Nelson. Motion carried with no opposition.

Considerations of KCME Rental Donation. Mr. Brault requested on behalf of Camp Y-Koda for the county to offer a free rental of the KMCE facility to be donated to the Camp Y-Koda annual fundraiser to support outdoor youth education. Supervisor Henry Nelson moved to approve the variance. Motion seconded by Supervisor Gruber. Motion carried with no opposition.

Consideration of Vacant Position Request, Associated TO Change, and Associated Job Description Changes. Mr. Brault discussed the proposal to change the TO to account for a grant that will fund a 911-based position. He also discussed the associated VPRs and budget. Supervisor John Nelson moved to accept the presented proposal with all the associated VPRs, TO changes, and budget adjustments needed to complete the process. Motion seconded by Supervisor Henry Nelson. Motion carried with no opposition.

Other Department Project and Program Management Updates. Mr. Brault updated the committee on progress of the Marsh dam, the stream restoration at Amsterdam Dunes, and the soil health field day coming up on December 12th.

Consideration and Approval of Attendance at Other Meetings/Functions. None.

Travel Report and Report of Meetings and Functions Attended. None.

Review and Approve Vouchers. Supervisor Henry Nelson motioned and Supervisor Gruber seconded to approve the vouchers. Motion carried with no opposition.

Supervisor Henry Nelson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor John Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried with no opposition. Meeting adjourned at 4:09 PM.

Next meeting (Extension Focus) is scheduled for November 28, 2023 at 3:00 PM. Next meeting (Planning & Conservation Focus) is scheduled for December 12, 2023 at 3:00 PM.

Aaron Brault Recording Secretary John Nelson Committee Secretary