

Conservation/UW-EX Education Committee
January 8, 2018
Minutes

Committee members present: Chairman Bob Mott, Robb Jensen, Alan Van Raalte, Jim Winkler, and Kim Simac. Mitch Ives unexcused.

Others present: Lynn Feldman, Sara Richie, Myles Alexander, Steve Nelson, Michele Sadauskas, Fred Andrist, Tom Barnett, Beckie Gaskill, Ken Krall, and Merry Lehner.

Call to order: Chairman Mott called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. noting it was properly posted and the facility is handicapped accessible.

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

Approve Minutes: Van Raalte/Winkler made a motion to approve the 12/11/17 minutes with corrections submitted at earlier dates. All ayes; motion carried.

Date(s) of future meetings:

February 12, 2018	1:00 p.m.	UWEX Conference Room
March 12, 2018	1:00 p.m.	UWEX Conference Room

Recommendations regarding "Approve Monthly Budget" under Consent Agenda.

Jennrich contacted Darcy Smith who stated the code addresses providing the Committee with a monthly report of year-to-date actual balances compared to budgeted amounts. The report does not need to be signed as long as it is documented in the minutes that the documents were reviewed. The committee requested an emailed electronic monthly copy of the report; one hard copy will be mailed to Winkler there will be one paper copy available at the meeting for anyone to look at. The Committee will not sign the document as long as the minutes reflect that the reports were viewed and accepted.

Consent Agenda Items - Land and Water:

- a. Approve out of county travel requests as presented.
- b. Approve Monthly Budget Reports –December (if available)
- c. Approve Monthly invoices/purchase orders.
- d. Line Item Transfers

There will be a WHIP meeting next Friday, January 12, 2018 in Eagle River, which Sadauskas will attend. The Local Area Speaking Contest will be coming up on Thursday, January 25. First place winners from Oneida County will have the opportunity to compete at the Area Contest in Wisconsin Rapids on February 9. Jensen/Winkler made a motion to approve A & C as presented and accept the monthly budget report. All Ayes; motion approved.

Cost Share Update:

Last month the Committee approved two projects; the Minocqua Shores and Ebert projects. Photos of both projects were provided which showed more details on the location and the amount of frontage involved. The Ebert property is about 80 feet wide and Minocqua Shores restoration will be about 300 linear feet. Work on the Minocqua project will be extended over two years to completion. Minocqua Shores will have the parallel decking along the shoreline removed and the rock riprap, completed two years ago, will remain. Additional rock riprap will be placed with plantings behind it to form a buffer. Another parallel pier will be removed from Area Two of Minocqua Shores and a seawall will be removed and replaced with rock riprap. There will be less wood and more rock to protect and support the shoreline point. Additional plantings will be placed for further protection to the shoreline.

Mining Update and Staff/Committee Attendance to Mining 101 Education Workshop:

Sadauskas stated that Jennrich did not have anything further to report on the mining resolution from the last meeting. There will be a Mining 101 Educational Seminar on January 24, 2018 which will begin at 9:00 a.m. sponsored by the Wisconsin

Counties Association and Wisconsin Towns Association. It will take place at the Reuland's Conference Center in Minocqua. Alexander will attend from UW-Extension. The number attending will need to be known ahead of time, in the case of a quorum for this committee or if it will apply to the full county board.

Sadauskas excused at 1:15 p.m.

Consent Agenda Items – UW Extension:

- a. Approve out-of-county travel requests as presented.
- b. Approve monthly budget reports – December 2017
- c. Approve Monthly invoices/purchase orders.
- d. No Line-Item transfers

The monthly budget report was just received today, there are no comments. Both the December and January reports will be reviewed at the February meeting. There were no line item transfers. Feldman clarified that Fair related expenses will no longer be approved by the department head. The Oversight Committee will now approve the Fair Expense Sheets received and approved by the Fair Committee. Mott requested that the expense sheet approved by the Fair Committee President be included in the information packets to the Oversight Committee. See Agenda Item 13 for comments on expenses for Sara Richie, who works in multiple counties. Van Raalte/Jensen made a motion to approve line items A and C. All ayes; motion carried.

UW-Extension Office Air Environment Update:

December 2017 – Six reports were filed. This is the time of year when reports are logged the most. A northwest wind was present for several of the reported events. There were four different people who reported fumes this month.

Long Range Plan:

Nelson and Feldman worked together to update the 2018 work plan. The Long Range Report will be posted on the Oneida County ALLShare site. Committee members Jensen/Winkler made a motion to approve the long range plan for 2018 for UW-Extension as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Approval of 2018 UW-Extension 138 Contract:

Steve Nelson presented the contract last month and it had been in review with Corporation Counsel. On Wednesday, January 10, the 138 Contract and Agenda Item 14 will be presented to LRES for their approval. Brian Desmond said that the 138 Contract has now been forwarded to LRES. A motion was made by Jensen/Van Raalte that the Chair of the Committee can sign the 138 Contract after LRES approval. All Ayes; motion carried.

2018 UW-Extension MOU

The term of the MOU is January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. Steve Nelson said that the 2018 Memorandum of Understanding will not be signed until later. Corporation Counsel made suggestions on several items and have been submitted and State, along with the input of the other Wisconsin counties. The University will accept, modify and edit the MOU. No further action is needed at this time. Nelson noted that mileage expense and other expenses will now be billed out to Oneida County from Vilas County for Sara Richie. She will not submit her mileage to this office. Richie had several membership dues that were paid in full by Oneida County, as noted in discussion under Consent Agenda items, Vilas County will submit a credit to pay for the percentages due instead of the full amount. The credit will be reflected on the Vilas County for 2018 mileage and supplies.

Extension Support Staff Position Percentages:

The resolution will be going to LRES and is tabled until they approve it. The budget was approved where the two positions were .8 and .8 last fall. The new proposal is 1.0 and .53 where there is a fiscal impact of additional benefits. A Committee member will be in attendance at the LRES meeting.

Oneida County Fair Report:

- a. Fair Officer Update: The Fair Committee President is Fred Andrist and was in attendance at the meeting again this month. The Treasurer is Bill Freudenberg and the Vice President is Winkler. Theresa Seabloom remains Secretary.
- b. Coordinator Update: Winkler introduced Tom Barnett as the new Fair Coordinator and introductions were made. Barnett moved up here four years ago, but had lived here in the past long ago. He is the author of children's books and is an illustrator who has spent much time working with the community and the schools in this regard. He has a flexible

schedule and is able to donate time to the community which makes him very excited with his new Coordinator position. Winkler had the new contract for approval and the Chair's signature. Jensen/Winkler made motion to approve the Fair Coordinator contract as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

- c. No new Fair Committee members at present. Andrist asked for Committee recommendation on any new members.
- d. Carnival Contract: The Fair Committee approved K& M Contract and asked for approval and Chair's signature. The Fair has asked K & M to provide a merry-go-round for the Fair this year. A motion was made by Van Raalte/Winkler to approve the Kris Milbradt-KM Rides contract. All ayes; motion carried.
- e. Long Term Commitment to City of Rhinelander with the County: Mott received a reply letter from Mr. Kost regarding the lease arrangement, which runs through 2019. There remains a question on when the five year commitment ends. It was unclear if it ends in 2019 or in 2023. The City held their meeting the day before Mott's letter was received and the subject will not be addressed until their next meeting. Kost will have information for us after the city meeting and will attend our February Committee meeting. It will be good to hear the expectations the City desires. Andrist said if the established contract runs through 2019 and the City agrees to that, it would be prudent to use 2018 and 2019 to re-evaluate and assess the direction of the Fair. It was agreed that this will give the new Fair Committee a chance to work on the Fair for this year.

Lynn Feldman – Educator Report:

Feldman presented a report on Adolescent Brain Development of Middle Schoolers. Understanding of the adolescent brain and the impact of alcohol and drugs, affects this population more than it does for adults. The goal is to make teens understand how their brain functions. She asked the group what ice cream, exercise, friendship, and music have in common; all of them make you feel good. The "feel good" chemical in the brain is called dopamine. It balances things in the brain and is related to motivation. Teens have a lower level of dopamine than adults. Teen behaviors related to brain development can impact a person's choices. This susceptibility in teens makes them more likely to experiment with substances because brain reacts so much more profusely. The goal is to help teens to train their brains to abstain.

Roger Luce:

A map was distributed showing next application of the proposed broadband to Oneida County. It will cost \$600,000 to take red circles, which are proposed sites, and fill them in as having fixed wireless networks. The green circles depict operation site or sites under development. The towns of Shoepke and Pelican have existing towers where equipment will need to be installed. Under the 2017 public service grant, the only tower that is left to put up is in the Sugar Camp area. Once the proposed sites are completed it will cover 90% of the county. There are two big pockets of area that are still under discussion for coverage. One of them is the Lake Mildred area and the Hazlehurst area will need attention in the future. The PSC2018-2 grant process and financial commitment will be known for 2018-2019. Funds have been approved by WI PSC for 2018 (actually 2017 money). If funding for 2018 is only partial the county obligation will only be partial. The goal of PSC is to complete one county and use it as an example for other counties in the state. The OCEDC proposal will be to complete the county. They will only be able to complete a certain amount in 2018. Money will be moved to the following year for final completion.

Public Comment:

Winkler agrees with Fred Andrist to urge the Committee to supply names of anyone who could offer input and volunteer for the Fair.

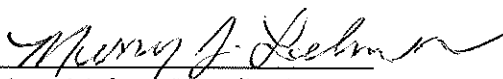
Items to Include on next Agenda: Cost Share, Mining 101 update, Grants, UW Contract, Support staff, Fair update, Separate Fair Consent Agenda, Interim City Administrator Mr. Kost, Air environment, and Broadband. Staff Performance Reviews shared for Committee input-Closed session, Point of Contact with in the County, Dept. Report: LWCD, PACE commentary by Winkler.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Winkler/Van Raalte at 3:28 p.m. All ayes; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bob Mott Committee Chair



Merry J. Lehner, Recording Secretary