Land & Zoning Standing Committee

November 2, 2022

NOTICE OF MEETING

Please be advised that the Richland County Land & Zoning Standing Committee will convene at 3:00 p.m., Monday, **November 7, 2022** in the Richland County Board Room 181 W. Seminary Street or join via WebEx found at

https://administrator.co.richland.wi.us/minutes/land-zoning/

<u>Agenda:</u>

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Proof of notification
- 3. Agenda approval
- 4. Approval ofSeptember 29, October 3 and October 24, 2022 minutes
- 5. Zoning petitions
 - a. Kinyon petition*
 - b. GAV Ventures LLC Petition*
- 6. Wildlife Damage Budget approval (for DNR)
- 7. *Proposed recommendations to 2024 budget cuts
- 8. Recreational/short-term Rental Property information and discussion
- 9. GIS/Sanitation Position/contract
- 10. Review question from Land and Water Board*
- 11. Public Comment
- 12. Future agenda items
- 13. Adjournment

*Meeting materials for items marked with an asterisk may be found the above site.

Items in bold are amended.

A quorum may be present from other Committees, Boards, or Commissions. No committee, board or commission will exercise any responsibilities, authority or duties except for the Land and Zoning

CC: Committee Members, Richland Observer, WRCO, Courthouse Bulletin Board, County Clerk, County Administrator, Greg Cerven

Richland County Land & Zoning Standing Committee Meeting Minutes September 29th, 2022

The September 29th, 2022, Land & Zoning Standing Committee meeting was called to order 3:00 p.m. by Chair Melissa Luck. Present were Linda Gentes, Melissa Luck, Dave Turk, Steve Carrow, Mary Peterson-Smith, Raymond Smith, Shelia Troxel, Tiffany Lemke, Brad & Ginger McCauley, William Kellogg, Mary Ewing, Aaron Halverson, Marty Richards and Mike Bindl. Committee members Julie Fleming and Dan McGuire was absent.

Linda Gentes moved to approve the agenda and proof of notification. Seconded by David Turk. Motion carried.

Chair Melissa Luck stated that the plans were to have Corperation Counsel Mike Windle speak about regulation/statues pertaining to Short Term Rental. After that that Richland County Tourism Marty Richards was going to give some input and then the public could speak and could keep it informal.

Mr Windle- Went through some of the Wisconsin regulations and went over SS 66.1014 (2)(d)(1).

Marty Richards- discussed tourism in the County and talked about somethings that work on his rentals.

Jason Glassburner- mentioned Richland County has few rentals compered to surrounding counties. Data shows traveling workers use short term rentals and thinks it is a good thing.

Melissa asked if the public wanted to discuss concerns. Seeing no interest, Melissa started with concerns that she has seen with information gathered. Some items to note are: noise, parking, fireworks, parties, crime rates and ATV's.

Concerns from the public related to most concerns Melissa stated. There was also talk about being good neighbors, having person nearby incase of something happens, Conditional Use Permit hearings/State Licensing security and what if someone only rents out only once.

Adjournment – Motion made by Linda Gentes to adjourn to regular meeting on October 3rd, 2022 at 3pm second made by David Turk. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Bindl

Richland County Zoning Administrator/Sanitarian/Land Information Officer

Richland County Land & Zoning Standing Committee Meeting Minutes October 3rd, 2022

The October 3rd, 2022, Land & Zoning Standing Committee meeting was called to order 3:05 p.m. by Vice-chair Linda Gentes. Present were Linda Gentes, Dan McGuire, Julie Fleming, Steve Carrow, Patricia Grimm, Cindy Knoble, Dustin & Amber Wanless, Don & Alene Wanless, Brian & Molly Meister, Joe Bartel, Eric Howlett, Sue Triggs, Derrick Warner, Mike Bindl, John Couey, and Cathy Cooper. Melissa Luck and David Turk were absent.

Dan McGuire moved to approve the amended agenda and proof of notification. Seconded by Steve Carrow. Motion carried.

Vice-chair Linda Gentes asked for any corrections or amendments to the August 29th, 2022, minutes, moved by Steve Carrow to approve the minutes as sent out, second made by Dan McGuire. Motion carried.

#5 Zoning Petitions

5a. Wanless Rezoning Petition. Dustin & Amber Wanless are purchasing 11 acres in Marshall township from Don & Alene Wanless to build a shed/house. They are wanting to rezone this land from Ag/Forestry to Ag/Residential. The land has been surveyed. Neighboring landowner Cindy Knoble is opposed to this. Worried about ruining the natural rural aspect of property in the area. She also is concerned that the survey wasn't correct. She is planning on having it re-surveyed at her expense. Committee was unsure how to include in the motion if there would be a change in the legal description if the surveys don't match. Linda asked Corporation Council, Michael Windle, for language. Steve Crow moved to approve the rezoning permit with this permit is subject to revision upon presentation to the Committee a certified survey map showing that the legal description this permit is based upon is incorrect. Seconded by Julie Fleming. Motion carried

5b. GAV Ventures LLC Petition. This was postponed to next month

5c. Meister Petition. Brian & Molly Meister and their attorney, Joe Bartel are petitioning for a conditional use permit for their short- term rental property in Buena Vista Township. The town has approved this request as well as the neighbors. The Meister's and Mr. Bartel request that if the Meister's change their ownership to an LLC that CUP goes with the change. Motion made by Steve Carrow to approve the conditional use permit with it subject to a contemplated transfer of the conditional use permit to their proposed LLC should they transfer the property to their company, second made by Steve Carrow. Motion carried.

5d. FS Adventures Rezoning Petition. Eric Howlett of FS Adventures is petitioning to rezone 5.58 acres in Westford township from Ag/Forestry to Ag/Residential. FS Adventures is splitting off the buildings on 5.58 acres and keeping the rest of the land zoned Ag/Forestry. It has been approved by the town board. Motion made by Steve Carrow to approve, second by Dan McGuire. Motion carried.

5e. Joseph and Gwyneth Pufferies Petition. Joseph and Gwyneth Pufferies are asking to rezone 5.50 acres from Ag/Forestry to Ag/Residential. They are selling the buildings with the acreage. The rest of the land will remain Ag/Forestry. Motion made by Dan McGuire to approve the petition, second made by Julie Fleming. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

#12. Staff introduction. Cathy introduced the new conservation technician, Derrick Warner.

#6. The public hearing for the 2022 Land and Water Resource Management plan was held. No public comments. This update contains the information that DNR wanted to have included. Cathy answered committee questions. Steve Carrow moved to send the plan onto county board. Seconded by Julie Fleming. Motion carried.

#7 Proposed recommendation to 2024 budget cuts. Cathy and Mike presented 3 options to the committee and listed the savings and the concerns with each one.

Option 1: Cut the Land Conservation secretary position. Would save about \$55,000 per year. Cons would be times when the office would be closed due to staff out in the field and the job duties would need to be assigned to others.

Option 2: Zoning and Sanitation fees could be raised to reduce some of the \$50,000 proposed budget cut. Cons are not sure the amount of fees collected, and County Board must be willing to raise the fees.

The Committee ask Sue Triggs if the Register of Deeds would have any way to reduce her budget at all. She said not at this time, but she is looking into another program for her online records. There is a potential for collecting more money in 3-5 years with this new system. At this time, she has no idea how much more she could collect and when this would occur. The Committee would like to see if a combination of all 3 options would meets the \$50,000. They would like to see the Land Conservation secretary position at half time, an estimate on fee collection and how much could be saved by contracting out the GIS work. Once Mike has time to compare the 2 bids, he and Cathy will meet to come up with a recommendation.

Option 3: Instead of hiring a GIS person, the county could contract the work out. Agenda item #13- GIS position was discussed. Bids have been received for contracting out the GIS work. MSA bid \$45,727. Southwest Regional Planning commission bid \$20,995. The committee would like to see the request for proposal. They also want Mike to go through the bids to make sure they meet the requirements. The pros are it could save some of the \$50,000. The biggest con is that the Zoning Department needs to fill the sanitation position.

#8 2023 Lake Monitoring Protection Network Grant. Cathy presented the resolution concerning the grant. The grant is up to \$9,578.00. Steve Carrow moved to approve the grant application and send to County Board for their approval. Seconded by Julie Fleming. Motion carried.

#9 2023 WILO Grant application. Mike presented the grant application for \$142, 185.00. This is the grant the covers Land Information costs. Steve moved to approve the 2023 WILO grant application and send it to County Board for their approval. Seconded by Dan McGuire. Motion carried.

#10 OEC Grant NG911 application. The purpose of this grant is to get the county addressing system in compliance with standards. Richland County is currently 85% in compliance. There are 2 parts of the grant. One is to be done by the Land Information office and the other done by Emergency management. The part to be done by Land Information is for \$20,000.00 and the work would be outsourced. This part of the grant needs to be approved by the Land and Zoning Standing Committee. Julie Fleming moved to approve the Land Information part of the grant for \$20,000.00. Seconded by Dan McGuire. Motion carried.

#11 Recreation/short-term rental. A meeting was held on September 29th to gather information on short-term rentals. The committee wishes to develop policies when issuing conditional use

permits for short-term rentals. Linda is asking each member to come up with a list of their thoughts of reasonable requirements that must be met to be issued a conditional use permit.

#13 GIS/Sanitation position. This was discussed earlier.

#14 Public comment-none

#15 Future agenda item- short term rental policy, GIS status, Recommendation on 2024 budget

#16 Adjournment – Moved made by Julie Fleming to adjourn to November 7th at 3:00 pm for a regular meeting with the possibility to set up a special meeting to discuss the budget recommendation. Second made by Steve Carrow. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Cooper

Cathy Cooper Secretary pro temp Land & Zoning Secretary

Richland County Land & Zoning Standing Committee Meeting Minutes October 22, 2022

The October 24, 2022, Land & Zoning Standing Committee meeting was called to order 11:02 a.m. by Chair Melissa Luck. Present were Linda Gentes, David Turk via webex, Julie Fleming, Steve Carrow, Todd Halverson from MSA, Troy Maggied & Jaclyn Essandoh from Southwest Wisconsin Regional planning Commission, Mike Bindl, John Couey, and Cathy Cooper. Dan McGuire was absent

Linda Gentes moved to approve the agenda and proof of notification. Seconded by Julie Fleming. Motion carried.

#4 GIS Contact Services Vender presentation/Interviews

- a. MSA- Todd Halverson from MSA was first. Todd describe the history that MSA has had working with Richland County on GIS work including parcel mapping for the county since early 2000. MSA has done this kind of work for numerous counties and municipalities. He then discussed the scope of work that was sent by Lynn Newkirk in an email to both MSA and Southwest Reginal. He went though MSA's proposal. Key points were the cost estimate of \$45727.00
- b. SWWRPC- Troy Maggied and Jaclyn Essandoh were next. Troy and Jaclyn discussed who they are currently working with on parcel mapping, mainly zoning with municipalities. They have talked with end-users like realtors to see how they can improve. They also received the same email from Lynn Newkirk. They went through their proposal. They are estimating a cost of \$20995.00. Julie Fleming asked where the data is stored. This is not included in the cost. They presented 2 options for data storage.
 - 1. Purchase a server for \$17,000 with a yearly maintenance cost of \$5000 per year
 - 2. Using an online portal through SWWRPC. Cost is variable

After both vendors left, there was discussion on next step. A formal Request for Proposal needs to be developed and sent to vendors. There needs to be discussion with MIS about data storage and what is needed.

#5 Resolution 22-95 budget cuts discussion

The committee reviewed the recommendations by Cathy Cooper and Mike Bindl to cut \$50,000 from the 2024 budget. Melissa stated that for the 2025-2027, cuts would need to be made to account for raises and insurance increases in addition to the \$50,000 cut. One of the suggestions was to eliminate the Land Conservation Secretary position. Those duties would need to be assumed by other staff and there is a possibility from time to time, the office would need to closed because of the rest of the staff needs to be out of the office. Another recommendation is to raise filing fees and other fees with in the Zoning Office. The third suggestion was to not hire anyone for the GIS/Sanitation position. It is unclear how much or what savings would be seen because much if not all of that position is funded by the Land Information grant. Much discussion followed. Lind Gentes moved to reduce the Land Conservation secretary position to half-time and the rest be made up in an increase in Zoning fees unless if any is made up through

the GIS position then no increase in fees. Seconded by Stave Carrow. 4 ayes and 1 nay. The motion passed.

#6 Future agenda item- short term rental policy, GIS status, Recommendation on 2024 budget

#7 Adjournment – Moved made by Julie Fleming to adjourn to November 7th at 3:00 pm for a regular meeting. Second made by Steve Carrow. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Cooper

Cathy Cooper Secretary pro temp Land & Zoning Secretary

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Owners

Name	Status	Ownership Type	<u>Interest</u>
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Parent Parcels

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Child Parcels

No Child Parcels were found

Abbreviated Legal Description

(See recorded documents for a complete legal description) NE 1/4 SW 1/4 PARCEL DESC IN VOL-PAGE EX S OF CTLN OF FAIRVIEW RD

Public Land Survey - Property Descriptions

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Buena Vista Martin Kinyon Re-Zone

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Buena Vista Town Board approved re-zoning of acreage for Martin Kinyon on Fairview Lane 10/13/22

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Land and Water Conservation Board County Land and Water Resource Management Plan Review of LWRM Plan Revisions

County: Richland

Implementation Covering Past Five Years and Future Directions

Answer these four questions in writing (not to exceed 4 pages)

1. Provide a representative number of accomplishments within the last five years that can be directly traced to activities identified in multiple work plans. For each accomplishment, explain how the planning process helped the county achieve its outcome, including planning adjustments that helped better target county activities.

The following activities have been identified in both the 2012-2021 LWRM plan and the last 5 work plans.

Richland County included assisting with well abandonment in the 2012-2021 plan. Since 2017, 33 wells have been properly abandoned in Richland County. There are 2 well drillers/pump installers that have been really active in promoting this to their customers. Protecting groundwater was one of the goals in that plan. Cost sharing properly abandoning wells was one of the activities. In 2020 and 2021, Richland, Crawford and Vernon counties held 2 well testing events.

Nutrient management was one of the goals identified with holding nutrient management classes. We have held 5 classes with the help of DATCP and Extension.

Controlling invasive species was a goal and activity identified in our workplan. We worked with the former Southwest Badger RC & D to identify sites of Japanese Knotweed and phragmites and assisted them with control. In 2021, we applied for the Lake Monitoring and Protection Network grant. Through this we have conducted a few Clean Boats, Clean water inspections, have done some survey work looking for invasives, replaced some signs, had some educational material available at the county fair, and have built 2 boot brush stations. We will continue this work and look to recruit more volunteers and host more educational events.

Protecting and improving surface water quality is also one of the goals. We worked with the City of Richland Center Wastewater Treatment plant and the Hub-Rock Sanitary Districts to identify stream bank sites that have high phosphorus loading. Several sites along the Pine River directly above the City of Richland Center were riprapped to prevent further erosion. 4 sites above the Hub-Rock facility have been identified and are waiting to be protected.

2. Identify any areas where the county was unable to make desired progress in implementing activities identified in recent work plans. For each area identified, explain

the work plan adjustments that were made to refocus planned activities. If no areas are identified, explain how the county was able to make progress in all the areas planned.

We have identified installation of contour strips and contour buffer strips as needed practices. With the increasing size of planting and harvesting equipment, some producers are reluctant to install these practices. Another reason is the renters are reluctant to install on cropland they may not be renting in a couple of years. Future work plans will include working with cash grain producers encouraging more cover crops and looking into a cover crop field day.

New acres of nutrient management plans have been up and down the past 5 years. It has been difficult to get producers to apply for the cost-sharing. We will continue having nutrient management classes in the work plans and some one-on-one assistance for those that have gone through classes in the past. We will also include promoting and working with Southwest Wisconsin Technical college classes.

3. Describe the county's approach to implementation of its priority farm strategy including outreach, farm inventories and making use of multiple funding sources. How has the county evaluated the effectiveness of its priority farm strategy and used this information to improve implementation of the agricultural performance standards and conservation practices on farms?

Our first priority is with new landowners interested in Farmland Preservation to come into compliance and to work with existing Farmland Preservation participants especially with nutrient management planning. Another priority are those producers interested in manure storage to make sure all of their parcels are in compliance with performance standards before issuing a permit.

Dealing with complaints are an important priority for compliance with performance standards. If it has to do with manure runoff, we have and will continue to work with DNR and DATCP personnel to remedy the problem.

We have not gone out and done inventories on a watershed basis. If time, staff, and money allows, we want to do more of that, especially in impaired watersheds, it is one of our priorities in this plan.

We will continue to evaluate our strategies and see where improvements can be made. We have just moved offices and are now co-located with Zoning. Having better access to the county mapping system may help us make improvements in tracking and targeting. Also, we have a new staff member that may see things in a different way and come up with new ways of targeting parcels.

4. Provide representative examples that show changes in direction in the county's LWRM plan and annual work plans, with specific examples provided showing adjustments in goals, objectives or planned activities.

In our recent work plans, more emphasis has been put on well abandonments, stream crossing and animal trails and walkways for livestock use, and holding nutrient management classes. We have added well testing, addressing aquatic invasive species and streambank protection work with sanitary districts to reduce phosphorus loading.

In the new plan, we have added more well test studies; aquatic invasive work including clean boats clean water, monitoring for invasives, education; working with sanitary districts to reduce phosphorus loading; more emphasis in goals and objectives on NR 151 performance standards implementation.

Please consider answering the following optional question (not to exceed 1 page)

1. The LWCB is interested in learning how county conservation staff are addressing changing weather patterns. To this end, the LWCB reached out to WI Land+Water for guidance, see the WI Land+Water memo dated for October 28, 2020. Your response to the following question will be appreciated.

Is climate change resiliency contained in your LWRM plan (Yes \boxtimes or No \square). If yes, indicate with page number(s) or statement(s) where within the LWRM plan it is located and please consider the factors below, as examples, in your answer.

- a. Plants and natural communities (forests, wetlands, prairies, invasive species)
- b. Soil and agriculture
- c. Weather (growing season, seasonal temperatures, precipitation)
- d. Infrastructure
- e. Land owners (residents)
- f. Water resources (groundwater and surface water quality and quantity)
- g. Fisheries
- h. Wildlife
- *i.* Human health and recreation

Answer Below

Pages 40-42 we discuss climate change in general and where we can look to find methods to encourage climate resiliency

Page 17 and page 41 we discuss a stream restoration project to return the lower end of Fancy creek from amanmade ditch back to it's own meanders and floodplain.

Page 40 we talk about changes to forests due to human influence