

CRAWFORD COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION, PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT
SOIL AND WATER CONCERNS
July 8, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Committee Mary Kuhn at 9:38 a.m.

Members present for roll call were Mary Kuhn, Owen DuCharme, Kate Krachey, and Chad Sime. Members of the community were also present. Gary Koch was excused.

Roll call. Motion by Sime, second by DuCharme to approve the June 3, 2025, minutes as emailed. Motion carried unanimously. Kuhn and Krachey abstained.

Land Conservationist report, Dave Troester: Troester updated the committee on the ongoing LWRM revision and the National Fish and Wildlife Federation Grant process and his accomplishments thus far. Troester continued by stating he received a non-metallic mining application from Showen Construction and Excavating LLC. The application is for an unpermitted existing sand pit, east of the old Bell Center Landfill. Discussion continued covering issues such as the reclamation plan, acreage, landowner, product being removed, fees, and a discussion on a potential stop work order if a site is operating without a permit. Troester continued with his report by sharing with the committee that the Tire Cleanup was not extraordinarily busy, but large loads were received. Troester stated he has been finalizing presenters for Youth Conservation Day and working on fair award winners. Troester added that the old truck will be posted for sale on the Wisconsin Surplus Auction site.

AIS report, Madison Caya: Caya reported to the committee she has been at several landings including the Lansing area landings. Caya added that the DeSoto landing has been busy, and the landing blitz around the 4th of July weekend was extremely busy. Caya stated she is talking to people and making sure they are doing everything they are supposed to be doing. Troester stated he will be sending Caya out with Nagel and Bunting to broaden her experience in Land Conservation.

Motion by Sime, second by Krachey to approve vouchers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

UW Extension report: fair is approaching quickly.

FSA report: Sime stated they are meeting later this month. The FSA office is happy with the amount of crop reporting coming in. The county committee nomination period is open or opening soon and Sime's term will be ending. Sime stated he is looking for someone to run to replace him.

Public Comment - Ellen Brooks informed the committee of the upcoming Karst Exploration Day on July 19 from 1 - 4:30pm at the Gays Mills Community Building, then the group will visit Karst locations.

Forest Jahnke: Jahnke expanded on the Karst Exploration Day, stating Eric Carson with UW Extension will be presenting.

Next meeting date is Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

Motion by DuCharme, second by Sime to adjourn at 10:11 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amy Opprieht
Administrative Assistant