

CONSERVATION EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, March 1, 2017
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse, Room 114

1. Call meeting to order
2. Public Comments (*brief comments/statements regarding committee business*)
3. Review Correspondence
4. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approve minutes of previous meeting
 - B. Approve bills
 - C. Receive staff activity reports
5. Risk and Injury Report
6. Planning & Zoning
 - A. Update from Enbridge representatives Denise Sonnemann and Scott Suder
7. Water Issues
 - A. Update on February 16th SE Wood County Groundwater Group meeting. Leichtnam/Manley/Wucherpennig
8. Land & Water Conservation Department
 - A. Update on February 17th Towns Association meeting.
 - B. Short PowerPoint presentation on health and ecological threats of Wild Parsnip.
 - C. Review and take action on resolution designating Wild Parsnip as a “noxious weed” within Wood County.
 - D. Discuss vehicle maintenance fund.
9. UW Extension
 - A. nEXT Generation Reorganization Update Manley
 - B. Small Savings Build Big Dreams Siegel
10. Economic Development
 - A. Update from Marshfield Economic Development Board – Jason Angell
 - B. Update from Regional Economic Growth Initiative – Rick Bakovka
 - C. Presentation of Wood County Economic Development Activities – Jason Grueneberg
 - D. Roundtable discussion among Economic Development stakeholders on the future role of Wood County in Economic Development.
 - E. Discussion among Committee members to determine next steps in determining Wood County’s Economic Development role.
11. Schedule next regular committee meeting – 9:00 am Wednesday, April 5, 2017.
12. Schedule any additional meetings if necessary.
13. Adjourn

Note: Due to the anticipated length of the meeting extending into the afternoon, the CEED Committee will take a short lunch break at about 11:30am.

February 6, 2017

Tracy Arnold
Conservation Program Coordinator
Wood County Land and Water Conservation Department

Dear Tracy:

I'm writing this letter to thank you, your department and the committee for the thoughtful, expressive way in which you recognized my late husband (Don Aron). The legacy stone, placed in front of the courthouse in his memory, will never be forgotten. He was honored to serve his country in the U.S. Army. The ceremony was very touching and has left an indelible mark on my heart.

Thank you also for noting that he was the First Wood County Conservationist on the legacy stone. Don loved his job. He was a people person and thoroughly enjoyed working with the people of Wood County, the State of Wisconsin and the National Association of Land Conservation Districts. He took immense pleasure in working with area schools teaching children about soil conservation and had great respect for those who entered the State Speaking Contest.

I did have the opportunity to view the DVD that was sent to me, along with my daughters. It was very informative. It's rewarding to know that continued measures are being taken to save our land and water.

Again, thanks to all of you for your part in setting up Don's memorial and for making our county and our state a better place to live.

P.S. Our plants are doing well; so far.

Sincerely,

Micki Werner

Micki Werner
Shelley Aron
Christina Aron-Sycz

MINUTES
 CONSERVATION, EDUCATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2017
 WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM #115, WISCONSIN RAPIDS WI

Members Present: Hilde Henkel, Kenneth Curry, Robert Ashbeck, Bill Leichtnam, and Harvey Peterson

Members Excused: Adam Fischer

Staff Present:

Planning & Zoning Staff: Jason Grueneberg, Adam Dekleyn, Jeff Brewbaker, and Heather Marquardt

Land & Water Conservation Staff: Shane Wucherpfennig, Tracy Arnold, and Lori Ruess

UW Extension Staff: Peter Manley and Matt Lippert

Others Present: Dist. #14 Supervisor Dennis Polach, Dist. #15 Supervisor Bill Clendenning, Dist. #16 Supervisor Lance Pliml, Shannon Rohde, Central Wisconsin Windshed Partnership (CWWP), Scott Larson, Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce (MACCI), Melissa Reichert, Heart of Wisconsin Chamber, Nancy Sii, and Adileen Sii,

1. **Call to Order.** Chairperson Hilde Henkel called the CEED meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Public Comment.** None.
3. **Review Correspondence.**
 - a. A memo from Chairperson Henkel to the CEED Committee and Wood County Board regarding the WCA Agriculture, Environment & Land Use Steering Committee meeting.
 - b. A written statement from Adam Fischer with comments for agenda items #4 - Review Correspondence and #10c - Review and discuss former Wood County Transportation & Economic Development Mission.
4. **First place senior division speech – Adileen Sii – “The Resource Games: Forestry Management and Wisconsin’s Watersheds”**
 Adileen Sii, First Place winner in the Wood County Speaking Contest - senior division delivered her speech titled “The Resource Games: Forestry Management and Wisconsin’s Watersheds.” The Committee and County Board Chairman commended her on her speech, wished her the best going forward, and thanked her for coming to the CEED meeting. She will compete at the area completion in Eagle River on February 10th.
5. **Consent Agenda.** The Consent Agenda included the following Items: 1) minutes of the January 4, 2017 CEED meeting, 2) bills from Planning & Zoning, Land & Water Conservation and UW Extension and 3) staff activity reports from Jason Grueneberg, Adam DeKleyn, Justin Conner, Kim Keech, Jeff Brewbaker, Heather Marquardt, Shane Wucherpfennig, Tracy Arnold, Adam Groshek, Lori Ruess, Peter Manley, Matt Lippert, Sarah Siegel, Jodi Friday, Chris Viau, Kyli Brown and Jeremy Erickson.
 - a. Minutes of January 4, 2017 CEED - It was mentioned that the last names of the committee members were omitted in the motion/second to adjourn the January 4th meeting. Bill Leichtnam stated he had comments on 4a, 4b, 6d & 9. It was suggested that these concerns be discussed under agenda item #14.

Motion by Kenneth Curry to approve the January 4, 2017 CEED minutes with the following amendment to the motion adjourning the meeting: (Motion by Bob Ashbeck to adjourn at 11:34 a.m. Second by Bill Leichtnam. Motion carried unanimously). Second by Harvey Petersen. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Department Bills. No questions or comments.
- c. Staff Activity Reports. No questions or comments.

Motion by Robert Ashbeck to accept the bills and staff reports as presented from Planning & Zoning, Land & Water Conservation and UW Extension. Second by Kenneth Curry. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Risk and Injury Report. Nothing new to report this month.

With no opposition, Chairperson Henkel moved up agenda items 8e, 10a, and 10b.

7. Water Issues.

- a. Update on the January 24th SE Wood County Groundwater Group meeting held in Nekoosa. Peter Manley gave an updated on the January 24th SE Wood County Groundwater Group meeting. The minutes have been completed and were sent to the CEED. A diverse group of people attended and discussion at the meeting was very good; will start concentrating on potential future actions.

Bill Leichtnam gave a summary on the meeting and presented a map of gradient and direction of groundwater flow. He noted there are concerns with nitrate levels in a Town of Saratoga monitoring well. The Town of Saratoga Board asked Extension to send a letter to landowners within one mile of this monitoring well informing them that private well testing is available. Overall, a lot has been accomplished at the last two meetings. He will bring recommendations from future meetings back to the CEED. Lengthy discussion followed.

8. Land & Water Conservation Department

- a. Windshed Program update. Shannon Rohde gave an update on the projects he is working on in the Windshed Partnership. The Windshed offers a full-service windbreak establishment and follow-up maintenance program. The maintenance program includes, mowing, hand weeding, and replacement of dead trees/shrubs for the first three years of establishment. 2016 was one of the busiest years with maintenance of weeding and mowing.
- b. Comment on counties options to manage farms. Shane Wucherpennig gave a summary of his perspective on an article written by Donna Gilson, DATCP Communication Specialist, titled "Counties Have Options to Manage Farms." He summarized how each category in the article pertains to the protection of ground and surface water, offered his opinion regarding whether additional authority is needed and provided recommendations as to whether a new ordinance is needed or changes in existing ordinances would be preferred. Lengthy discussion followed.

Following discussion, Bill Leichtnam asked Shane to reach out to the Saratoga Town Board for possible discussion on the Farmland Preservation Program and Ag Zoning. It was also suggested that Shane Wucherpennig and Jason Grueneberg, or representatives from their departments, give a presentation on agriculture zoning to the Towns Association.

- c. Towns Association February 17th agenda – invasive species. Shane Wucherpennig and John Eron will be giving a presentation to the Towns Association on wild parsnip, an invasive weed in Wood County. A resolution to put wild parsnip on the Wood County noxious weed list will be presented to the CEED in March.
- d. Update on Conservation Specialist position. Emily Salvinski was hired to fill the Conservation Specialist Position. Her first day of employment with Wood County was January 23, 2017.
- e. Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Update. Tracy gave a PowerPoint presentation on a nonmetallic mining reclamation site. She went over steps that are taken throughout the reclamation process, covered the dos and don'ts in reclamation, and explained what she looks for before "signing off" on a reclaimed site.

Following the presentation it was suggested that the PowerPoint presentation be used for future education and training purposes.

- f. Consider resolution to amend the 2017 DATCP grant budget. Shane Wucherpennig presented a resolution to amend the 2017 DATCP grant budget for unanticipated revenues in the amount of \$19,800.

Motion by Robert Ashbeck to approve and forward to County Board the resolution to amend the 2017 DATCP grant budget for unanticipated revenues in the amount of \$19,800. Second by Bill Leichtnam. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee recessed for a short break at 11:50 a.m.
The Committee reconvened at 11:55 a.m.

9. Planning & Zoning

- a. Update on Wood County Private Onsite Waste Treatment Maintenance Program. Jeff Brewbaker & Heather Marquardt gave an update on the number of sanitary permits issued in 2016 and presented a summary of POWTS maintenance and program fees in 2016. The staff was commended for their outstanding organizational skills which helps the success of the program.

An educational seminar for pumpers and plumbers is being planned for Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at the Hotel Mead.

- b. Approve increasing Department petty cash amount from \$50 to \$100. Jason Grueneberg requested permission to increase the Planning and Zoning Department petty cash from \$50 to \$100.

Motion by Kenneth Curry to approve increasing the Planning & Zoning Department petty cash amount from \$50 to \$100 through the Wood County Finance Department accounting system. Second by Bill Leichtnam. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Economic Development

- a. Update from Heart of Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce Melissa Reichert gave a short presentation on the Heart of Wisconsin events and programs including; Techno Tour, Nekoosa Easter event, Cranberry Blossom Fest Craft Show, Heavy Metal Bus Tour, Lunch by the River, Rendezvous by the River, Gather by the Gazebo, Wisconsin Revolving Loan Fund and Small Business Saturday Promotions. For videos and more information go to www.wisconsinrapidschamber.com
- b. Update from Marshfield area Chamber of Commerce Scott Larsen gave an update on business and community related happenings in northern Wood County and covered programs, networking and school to career opportunities being offered. For videos and more information go to www.marshfieldchamber.com
- c. Review and discuss former Wood County Transportation & Economic Development Mission. Jason Grueneberg encouraged CEED members to review the Economic Development Mission included in the CEED packet (page 29) and focus on what Wood County's role should be in regards to Economic Development. Further discussion will take place at a future meeting.
- d. Discuss Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program. Jason Grueneberg gave a quick summary of the PACE program. PACE programs stimulate local economies by funding the upfront costs of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and water conservation upgrades for commercial & industrial building. Currently eleven counties in Wisconsin participate in the program. No risk to the County to be part of the program; need a County Board passed resolution to participate.

11. Land Records

- a. Consider appointment of Brian Spranger to the Wood County Land Information Council.
Brief discussion on this appointment took place.

Motion by Robert Ashbeck to appoint Brian Spranger to the Wood County Land Information Council and request County Board to confirm the appointment. Second by Kenneth Curry. Motion carried unanimously.

12. UW Extension

- a. Farm Technology Days update. Matt Lippert gave an update on the Wood County host farms, planning progress, and some tour and commemorative toy changes being considered for the 2018 Farm Technology Days.

2019 Farm Technology Days will be hosted by Jefferson County.

13. Schedule Next Meeting.

The next regular CEED meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 1, 2017 – 9:00 a.m. - Room 115 of the Wood County Courthouse.

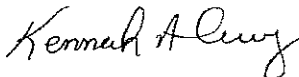
14. Schedule any additional meetings if necessary.

- a. The committee discussed the proper procedure for future CEED agendas. Chairperson Henkel encouraged any member of the CEED who cannot attend a meeting to read the packet material and submit comments to be considered under correspondence.
- b. Future agenda items:
- i. February 21, 2017 special CEED meeting, Room 317A, 9:00 a.m.
 - Consider resolution encouraging state legislature to make additional resources available to all counties for groundwater programming.
 - ii. March 1, 2017 CEED meeting, Room 115, 9:00 a.m.
 - Economic Development Mission
 - Update from REGI
 - Update from Marshfield Economic Development Board
 - Information on possible Central Sands high-capacity wells presentation.
 - Resolution adding wild parsnip to the Wood County noxious weed list.

15. Adjourn.

Motion by Kenneth Curry to adjourn at 1:42 p.m. Second by Bill Leichtnam. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Kenneth Curry, Secretary
Minutes by Lori Ruess, Land & Water Conservation Department
Review for submittal to County Board by Kenneth Curry (approved on February 7, 2017)

MINUTES
 CONSERVATION, EDUCATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017
 WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM #317A, WISCONSIN RAPIDS WI

Members Present: Hilde Henkel, Robert Ashbeck, Bill Leichtnam, Adam Fischer and Harvey Peterson

Members Excused: Kenneth Curry

Staff Present:

Land & Water Conservation Staff: Shane Wucherpfennig and Lori Ruess

UW Extension Staff: Peter Manley

Others Present: Dist. # 2 Supervisor Donna Rozar, Dist. #14 Supervisor Dennis Polach, Dist. #15 Supervisor Bill Clendenning, Susan Kunferman, Health Department Director

Call to Order. Chairperson Hilde Henkel called the CEED meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. **Public Comment.** None
2. **Review Correspondence.** Correspondence included memos from Hilde Henkel regarding WCA, Agriculture, Environment & Land Use Steering Committee, Larry Konopacki, regarding Provision in 2015 Act 55 Related to Oil Pipeline Companies and Dan Bahr regarding Questions on Eminent Domain.

With no opposition, Chairperson Henkel moved up agenda item # 4.

3. **nEXT Generation reorganization report response.** Peter Manley handed out copies of the nEXT Generation reorganization on-line survey for the CEED to complete. Responses can be submitted in a written format or on-line; submittal deadline is Friday, March 24th. Questions were asked regarding staffing and the future role of the CEED Committee. Peter Manley explained the three levels of staffing and addressed concerns regarding CEED oversight. Donna Rozar stated the Board of Visitors has been disbanded so there are no advocates for Extension and colleges. Peter will forward the survey to Donna.

Following receipt of comments on the basic structure, the final plan will be available by the end of April.

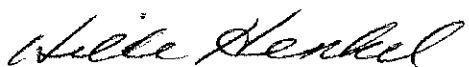
4. **Consider/take action on a resolution encouraging the state legislature to make additional resources available to all counties for groundwater programming.** Chairperson Henkel asked if there were any questions or concerns with the resolution. Bill Leichtnam stated the initial resolution came from the Wisconsin Land + Water Association and counties are being encouraged to pass the resolution. Robert Ashbeck expressed a concern with "none" in the fiscal note. He feels there could be a fiscal impact on the county if state taxes are increased to fund groundwater programming.

Motion by Adam Fischer to accept and forward to County Board the resolution encouraging the state legislature to make additional resources available to all counties for groundwater programming. Second by Bill Leichtnam. Motion passed. Robert Ashbeck opposed because it could raise taxes.

5. Adjourn.

Motion by Adam Fischer to adjourn at 9:22 a.m. Second by Robert Ashbeck. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Hilde Henkel, Acting Secretary

Minutes by Lori Ruess, Land & Water Conservation Department

Review for submittal to County Board by Hilde Henkel (approved on February 21, 2017 @ 2:04 p.m.)

Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Planning & Zoning Department and
Economic Development

For the period of: December 2016 & February 2017

For the range of vouchers: 22160176 - 22160176 22170009 - 22170020 38170001 - 38170003

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
22160176	WOODTRUST BANK NA	Credit Card Charges	12/31/2016	\$422.13	P
22170009	WOODTRUST BANK NA	Credit Card Charges	01/20/2017	\$1,527.00	P
22170010	MAPLOGIC CORP	LR-Annual Software License	01/12/2017	\$250.00	P
22170011	CARMODY DATA SYSTEMS INC	PS-Upgrades/Services (Feb)	02/01/2017	\$299.00	P
22170012	INDUSTRY SERVICES DIVISION	PS-State Sanitary Permit (Jan)	02/01/2017	\$300.00	P
22170013	MMG EMPLOYER SOLUTIONS	PS-EAP Conflict Training	01/31/2017	\$60.00	P
22170014	ACCUSOFT	PS-Priority Support/Upgrade	01/25/2017	\$2,988.00	P
22170015	BOYER KEVIN	SU-Services Per Contract (Feb)	02/14/2017	\$833.00	P
22170016	PIPE'N STICKS	SU-6' Vingle "T" Posts (500)	01/21/2017	\$2,250.00	P
22170017	AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION	PL-APA Membership (2017)	01/27/2017	\$340.00	P
22170018	GRUENEBERG JASON	PL-Expenses (Feb)	02/14/2017	\$30.00	P
22170019	PIPE'N STICKS	SU-1" & 1"x30" Re-bar (158)	02/16/2017	\$534.00	P
22170020	DEKLEYN ADAM	PL-Expenses (Feb)	02/20/2017	\$110.21	P
38170001	WOODTRUST BANK NA	Credit Card Charges	01/20/2017	\$575.00	P
38170002	HEART OF WI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	ED-Annual Allocation (2017)	01/11/2017	\$19,500.00	P
38170003	GRUENEBERG JASON	ED-Expenses (Feb)	02/14/2017	\$546.02	P
Grand Total:				\$30,564.36	

Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Planning & Zoning Department and
Economic Development

For the period of: December 2016 & February 2017

For the range of vouchers: 22160176 - 22160176 22170009 - 22170020 38170001 - 38170003

Signatures

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Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Land & Water Conservation Dept.

For the period of: February 2017

For the range of vouchers: 18160137 - 18160137

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
18160137	PITTSVILLE MEATS	WD - VENISON DONATION PROCESSI	12/31/2016	\$165.00	P
Grand Total:				\$165.00	

Signatures

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Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Land & Water Conservation Dept.

For the period of: February 2017

For the range of vouchers: 18170009 - 18170017

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
18170009	WUCHERPFENNIG SHANE	LWC - PHONE DATA PLAN REIMB/MI	01/10/2017	\$54.00	P
18170010	GROSHEK ADAM	LWC - PHONE DATA PLAN REIMB	01/26/2017	\$30.00	P
18170011	WOODTRUST BANK NA	LWC/NMM-TRAINING VEHICLE MAINT	01/09/2017	\$1,306.13	P
18170012	KOLO TRUCKING AND EXCAVATING INC	NM - REFUND PERMIT OVERPAYMENT	01/30/2017	\$375.00	P
18170013	US DEPARTMENT OF AG	WD-2017 BEAR ABATEMENT FEE	02/02/2017	\$500.00	P
18170014	WOOD COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS	WD - RECORDING FEES	01/03/2017	\$60.00	P
18170015	ARNOLD TRACY	LWC-MILEAGE/MEAL REIMBURSEMENT	02/10/2017	\$129.70	P
18170016	SII NANCY	LWC-MILEAGE REIMB AREA & STATE	02/13/2017	\$256.80	P
18170017	V & H AUTOMOTIVE	2017 F-150 PICK-UP TRUCK	02/21/2017	\$29,753.50	P
Grand Total:				\$32,465.13	

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Report of claims for: UWEX

For the period of: February

For the range of vouchers: 30170015 - 30170024 30160196 - 30160196

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
30160196	CLARK COUNTY UW EXTENSION		12/31/2016	\$30.00	P
30170015	EO JOHNSON CO INC	Copier Lease	02/14/2017	\$229.49	P
30170016	UW SOIL TESTING LAB	UW SOIL TESTING CHARGES	02/14/2017	\$30.00	P
30170017	GRAZE	Graze Subscription	02/14/2017	\$54.00	P
30170018	ERICKSON JEREMY	Erickson Jan Expenses	02/14/2017	\$173.34	P
30170019	MARSHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL	Siegel childrens fest display	02/21/2017	\$25.00	P
30170020	CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL	Seigel ChildrensFest WR	02/21/2017	\$15.00	P
30170021	4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION	Reimbursement for Platbook	02/21/2017	\$28.44	P
30170022	POSTMASTER - WISCONSIN RAPIDS	heart of farm bulk mailing	02/21/2017	\$87.56	P
30170023	VIAU CHRISTOPHER	VIAU FEB EXPENSES	02/21/2017	\$37.99	P
30170024	SIEGEL SARAH	Siegel Feb Expenses	02/21/2017	\$102.19	P
Grand Total:				\$813.01	

Signatures

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TO: Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee

FR: Jason Grueneberg, Planning & Zoning Director
Adam DeKleyn, County Planner
Justin Conner, GIS Specialist
Jeff Brewbaker, Code Administrator
Heather Marquardt, Code Technician
Kim Keech, Admin Services 4

RE: Staff Report for March 1, 2017

1. Administrative (Jason Grueneberg)

- a. Staffing – Interviews for the Administrative Service 5 position will be held on March 7.
- b. Heart of Wisconsin Leadership Class – On February 2 Wood County hosted the Heart of Wisconsin Chamber Leadership Class to teach them about local government.

2. Economic Development (Jason Grueneberg)

- a. Alexander Field Airport – On February 20, I met with the Alexander Field Airport manager to learn more about proposed improvements.
- b. Central Wisconsin Economic Development Fund (CWED) – On February 7 I chaired the CWED Finance Committee meeting. Agenda items included the consideration of investing idle funds into higher interest bearing accounts, and review of the annual audit.

On February 15 I attended the CWED Board of Directors meeting and agenda items included approving updates to the bylaws and policies and procedures manuals, approval of the annual audit, loan updates and modifications, and discussion on renewing the contract for administrative services.

- c. Governor's Conference on Economic Development – From February 8-10 I attended the Governor's Conference on Economic Development. Governor Walker addressed attendees and highlighted some of the State Budget Economic Development Initiatives. Attached is a summary of the initiatives, prepared by the Wisconsin Economic Development Association.
- d. Marshfield Economic Development Board – On February 2 I attended the Marshfield Economic Development Board meeting. Agenda items included an update from the Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce, discussion of Wenzel Family Plaza, and housing study implementation.

3. Planning (Adam DeKleyn)

- a. City of Nekoosa Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) – Planning committee met to analyze and identify existing outdoor recreation facilities, amenities and opportunities in Nekoosa. Three sections of the plan have drafts completed. Committee will begin preparing a citizen input survey at the next meeting.
- b. Volk Installation Complex Encroachment Management Action Plan (ICE) – Met with representatives with Woolpert INC, US Army Corps of Engineers and Hardwood Range – Volk Field. Analysis of surrounding land use, growth and land restrictions was completed. Information collected will be incorporated into the plan.
- c. Greater Prairie-Chicken Management Plan Revision – Represented the Wood County P & Z Department at a public meeting seeking input on appropriate revisions to the plan.
- d. County Plat Review Officer – (6) CSM's submitted for review and approval. (2) CSM's approved and recorded. (5) CSM's, (2) preliminary subdivision plats and (1) final subdivision plat are pending approval. Updating the application for a land division under county land subdivision ordinance. Plat review policy and process is currently under review.
- e. Recent Changes to WI Land Use Law – Joined WI Realtors Association for a webinar covering recent changes to WI land use law.
- f. P & Z Webpage Updates – In the process of updating the P & Z webpage to better meet the needs of users.
- g. Comprehensive Plan Updates – Land use classification system under review. Goal is to develop a system that better meets the needs of towns in the county.

4. Land Records (Justin Conner)

- a. 2/6 Verso Meeting to discuss LiDAR – Met with Tow Witt from Verso to discuss LiDAR elevation data and Floodplains in the Bridgewater project area of Biron.
- b. 2/9 Highway Department – Met with Hwy. Dept. to discuss GIS needs. First project will be a driveway inventory and permit tracking system.
- c. Parcel Mapping – Parcel editing as new deeds and CSMs arrive.
- d. NG 911 Strategic Planning – Participated in NextGen 911 Strategic Planning conference calls.
- e. Wisconsin Land Information Assoc. 30th Annual Conference – Attended conference Feb 22-24. Highlights include Python programming and parcel

fabric training seminars 2/22. LiDAR/Elevation, drone/UAS, ArcGIS Online sessions.

- f. 2/13 Health Dept. Meeting – Discussed GIS capabilities and data layers that would be beneficial in the event of a public health emergency.
- g. NG 911 Strategic Planning – Participated in NextGen 911 Strategic Planning conference calls.
- h. Parcel Data Export Model – Creating model to automate as much of the publication process as possible.
- i. Map and Data Requests
 - a. Powers Bluff Expansion Map designed map for promotional brochure.
 - b. Provided zoning data for Volk Field Installation Complex Encroachment Management Action Plan.
 - c. Sent external hard drive copies of LiDAR data to state NRCS.

5. Code Administrator's (Jeff Brewbaker and Heather Marquardt)

- a. Reviewed 4 sanitary permits, 1 soil test.
- b. Performed 1 inspection.
- c. Completed POWTS Audit for 2016.
- d. Attended 2 meetings for the Wisconsin Prairie Chicken Festival planning.
- e. Completed many tasks for the Wood County Spring Seminar to be held on April 5th, 2017. This will be a 1-day training, offering credits for plumbers, maintainers, soil testers, inspectors, and a new group, service providers- who will obtain 'master operator' credits from the DNR for attending. This seminar will host a well-known speaker from the University of Minnesota, and will be held at Hotel Mead, with general public, committees, town chairs, and adjacent county employees invited and encouraged to attend.
- f. Handled incoming shoreland and private sewage related calls during Jeff Brewbaker's absence.
- g. Held several meetings for shoreland permits in the planning & zoning office. Shoreland on-site visits were performed.
- h. Enforcement has initiated on those non-compliant with the private sewage code for 2016. This has included timely paperwork, fieldwork and context for each non-compliant site. We are currently pursuing 14 out of 2,753 maintenances that were due in 2016. That is a 99.5% success rate for 2016 compliance. Fees are still coming in that were due in 2016, and will be enforced within the next month. The 2017 mailing dates for maintenance and fees have been decided.

6. POWTS Activity (Kim Keech)

- a. Monthly Sanitary Permit Activity. There were 3 sanitary permits issued in January 2017 (2 New and 1 Replacement) with revenues totaling \$1,100.

There were 2 sanitary permits issue in January 2016 (2 New) with revenues totaling \$800. For comparison purposes, following are totals through the same period for the previous five years: 2016 – 2, 2015 – 4, 2014 – 5, 2013 – 4 and 2012 – 4.

- b. 2017 Tax Refund Intercept Program (TRIP) To date, Wood County has received \$2,445.12 on two outstanding cases.

- c. Maintenance Notices

- 1. 2016

- 1. On April 26th, 2,711 notices were mailed by ODC to those owners who need to have their system serviced this year, with a due date of August 12th. Eighteen notices were also mailed to owners who have an Aerobic Treatment Unit (ATU), which requires annual servicing.
 - 2. On September 16th, 401 second notices were mailed to those owners who did not meet the August 12th deadline.
 - 3. On November 7th, 84 owners were sent a letter from Wood Co Corp Counsel regarding failure to provide servicing documentation.
 - 4. A possible small claims action for 18 owners for failure to service is being reviewed. Following vacancy checks, these are being referred for failure to service system.

- d. Program Fee Notices

- i. 2016

- 1. On November 7th, 4,532 program fee notices were mailed to those owners who need to pay their \$20 program fee this year, with a due date of December 2nd.
 - 2. On December 2nd, 721 second program fee notices were mailed to those owners who did not meet the December 2nd deadline.
 - 3. On January 31st, 187 owners were sent a letter from Wood Co Corp Counsel regarding failure to pay the program fee for 2016.
 - 4. A possible small claims action for 89 owners for failure to pay the program fee is being reviewed.

- e. Sanitary Permit Document Imaging Project Status. Sanitary permits for the years 1982 – 2015 are available for viewing on the County's website

www.co.wood.wi.us/Departments/PZ. 2016 Sanitary Permits will be prepped and scanned in fall 2017.

- f. Enforcement Activities Update. There is nothing new scheduled.

February 20, 2017

Under the state budget bill spotlight: WEDC

Nearly two weeks ago, Gov. Scott Walker introduced his state budget bill. The two-year, \$76 billion spending plan for the state includes a number of themes that WEDA finds encouraging, including a focus on workforce development, tax relief, increased funding for broadband expansion and a vote of confidence for the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

Of course, the governor's proposed bill will be fully vetted and reshaped by the State Legislature over the next four months. In March, the Legislature's powerful Joint Finance Committee will hold state agency briefings on the bill, followed by a number of public hearings held across the state. The Finance Committee will then begin voting on changes to the governor's bill in April before they send the reshaped tax and spending document to the full Legislature for approval in June.

The next several editions of *Political News and Notes* will highlight a budget issue area of interest to WEDA and its members. This edition will focus on budget initiatives proposed by Gov. Walker that impact WEDC.

WEDC BUDGET PROVISIONS:

The WEDA Legislative Committee and Board is continuing to review and discuss the governor's state budget bill, but is encouraged by the following provisions included in the proposal:

- **Lending Programs** - Reinstates WEDC's loan program, allowing the corporation to originate new loans, but only if they are funded by the proceeds of repaid loans. The proposal bars the use of new state funding for lending programs and prohibits WEDC from offering forgivable loans. WEDA views the proposal as an extremely positive step, as WEDC's loan program is a key component of Wisconsin's economic development toolbox. The program provides a critical financing option to new and expanding businesses and helps fuel private sector investment.
- **WEDC Funding** - Increases WEDC's General Purpose Revenue (GRP) funding by \$6.3 million in the second year of the two-year budget. In addition, the governor modifies WEDC's funding structure to allow larger amounts of the Economic Development Surcharge to fund the corporation's operations and therefore reduce the state's GPR funding commitments.
- **Angel and Early Stage Seed Tax Credit program** - Increases the limit on investments eligible for the Angel and Early Stage Seed Tax Credit program from \$8 million to \$12 million for each qualifying business (Qualified New Business Venture), which will expand opportunities for these businesses to attract capital.
- **Fabrication Laboratories Grant Program** - Directs WEDC to continue to fund its fabrication laboratories grant program at \$1 million over the two-year budget cycle.

The following initiative included in the governor's budget bill could be a cause of concern for WEDA members:

- **Historic Tax Credit** - Modifies the Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit by limiting the credit to annual awards of \$10 million, which would be competitively awarded on the basis of job creation potential. The proposal would also create a clawback provision to ensure credits are repaid if job creation measures are not met. The ramifications of this proposal should be closely examined, as WEDA does not necessarily view the HTC as a job creation program, but rather an important community development tool to help build tax base.

As the state budget process continues to unfold, the WEDA Government Affairs Team welcomes your input on the state budget bill -- including the WEDC budget provisions listed above. If you have any questions or comments, please contact WEDA at mwelsh@weda.org.

Activities Report for Tracy Arnold 02-2017

Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program

- Maintaining DNR database with current Wood County information
- Working with the 4 failed fences to get them back into compliance
- Finishing the 2016 Venison Donation program
- Working on uploading all field appraisal data into the database and getting claims ready for landowners to sign.
- Met with Wayne Hall DNR to discuss who met shooting permit requirements
- Beginning to enroll landowners for the 2017 year
- Completed final reimbursement for 2016
- Submitted necessary paperwork to WI DNR for final reimbursement for 2016
- Communicated with Finance about the final reimbursement figures
- Helping to coordinate the 1st WDACP roundtable with Brad Koele, DNR

Non-metallic mining reclamation program

- No forfeiture payment from B & R Excavating to date (since June 12, 2013)
- Updating NMM databases
- Processing the permit fees and financial assurance as they come in.
- Called all permit holders that have not submitted permit fees and financial assurance before due date as a reminder
- Presented to CEED committee
- Attended the MSHA (Mine Safety and Health Administration) training and gained certification
- Met with Peter Kastenholz, Hilde Henkel and Shane Wucherpfennig about open records request

Land and Water Conservation

- Entering stream flow data into the SWIMS database for 16 sites (authorized by state to enter data)
- Chair of the Youth Education Committee for the WI Land+Water
- Co-coordinating the WI Envirothon
- Co-coordinating the state poster and speaking contests
- Preparing for the Youth Education Committee presentation at the WI Land+Water Conference
- Attended NCLWCA meeting
- Advanced all Wood County winners to the area competition
- Asked about status of UWSP intern.
- Secretary of the North Central Land and Water Conservation Area Association
- Attended the North Central Land and Water Conservation Area Association meeting
- Taught the Earth Jar presentation to 26 2nd graders at St. Mary's Elementary.
- Taught the Groundwater model to 26 2nd graders at St. Mary's Elementary.
- Participated in the Leadership Class courthouse department search activity
- Participated in the WI Prairie Chicken Festival Committee
- Created all the forms for entire WI Prairie Chicken Festival
- Staffed booth at the Marshfield Farm Show
- Attended the 6 county wide Streamflow Project meeting to report on 2016 and plan for 2017
- Taking registration for Healthy Soils, Healthy Water if calls come in
- Working with Lori to clean out 2 cubicles for the programmers to move in
- Working with Lori to clean out old files in the front 6 file cabinets
- Attended the Food, Land and Water meeting for WI Land+Water

Activities Report for Adam Groshek – February 2017

Land and Water Resource Management Program/Animal Waste Storage Ordinance/CREP Activities:

- ~Gathering the past 16 years of CREP GIS data and properly orientating in a new CREP GIS mapping system for better tracking, monitoring, and discussion. Assigning proper mapping projections to all old field areas, updating corner/edges of 200+ fields associated with 50+ CREP contracts in Wood County.
- ~Completion of the mapping update of all CREP boundary data tracking on GIS from 2002-2016. CREP contracts expired on 56 fields and were renewed and/or added on 59 fields in 2016. 92 CREP contract fields are due for renewal by September 30, 2017. 12 fields are due for renewal from 2018-2021. The LWCD has received 2017 CREP renewal interest from 2 landowners already and we look to work with them and others throughout 2017 instead of at crunch time as was done in 2016.
- ~Discussion on the past site asbuilts and permitting of the privately designed manure storage and transfer systems for Bruce Wayerski to be constructed in spring 2017.
- ~Wetland determination/investigation report, nutrient management plan, design, and cultural resources review for the future 2017 additional earthen manure storage lagoon for Tom Hamus near Auburndale.
- ~Feed storage leachate calculations, manure storage calculations, future CAFO compliance research, and working with Marshfield's hired engineering firm to assess best options for cost-sharing money with the Schiferl farm to address issues with NOD discharges. Confirmation was obtained of temporary measures to prevent manure storage structure from overflowing out of the tractor ramp area until manure can be spread before planting this spring. Cost estimates were performed for different scenarios for addressing the many farm problems. Met with Sam Warp from Marshfield to discuss funding opportunities to obtain phosphorus credits for the Marshfield WWTP. Met with Randy, Alan, and Aaron Schiferl to discuss options, none of the options good and all of them expensive. Schiferl's indicated that downsizing the herd was not an option, future expenses associated with CAFO compliance indicate that downsizing may be the ONLY option to continue operation. More cost estimates and waste storage sizing to follow.
- ~GIS wetland indicator layer setup for the wetland determinations of all future construction projects located on wetland indicator soils in Wood County.
- ~Assisting in GIS license setup for future LWCD GIS licenses. With Emily as new employee working with GIS often, we will need an additional GIS license.
- ~Assistance with multiple landowners on tree sale and wildflower mix purchases.
- ~Discussion of future Grass Ridge Farm expansion and construction work, possibly to CAFO size.
- ~Multi-discharger variance that was submitted by the WI DNR in early 2016 for WI municipal WWTPs was approved by the US-EPA. WI counties have until January 2, 2018 to submit an application indicating interest in the MDV program. Wood County municipalities have indicated interest in the past, however likely won't commit until the WI TMDL loading allocations come out – sometime in 2017.
- ~Attendance of the SEWC Groundwater group meeting with Shane.
- ~Staff meeting and discussion of future changes to the Wood County Employee Policy handbook.
- ~Attendance of a plant ID webinar to assist in plant identification for future wetland determinations in Wood County.

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Activities Report for Lori Ruess – February 2017

- Attended February 1st CEED meeting and completed minutes.
- Attended February 9th Employee Feedback meeting.
- Attended February 10th North Central Land & Water Conservation Area meeting and Speaking Contest.
- Year-end budget review and reconciliation.
- Answered phone and front desk questions.
- Reviewed general ledger and payroll registers and completed journal entries to correct payroll.
- Vouchered incoming invoices and requested checks.
- Completed January sales tax report and submitted report to Finance.
- Completed journal entry request for monthly fuel charges and vehicle maintenance/repair from Highway Dept. and forwarded to Finance.
- Received the following reimbursement from DATCP:
 - 2016 Staff & Support reimbursement - \$126,840.
 - Brian & Jodi Otto - \$1,725.00
 - Tyler & Amanda Pankratz - \$337.50
 - Jerry & Kay Sternweis - \$3,396.75
 - Abraham Guzman - \$2,248.68
 - James & Joanne Coenen - \$3,200.22
- Received partial reimbursement for Flying Dollar from DNR in the amount of \$24,640
- Received CREP incentive payment for Mike Greiner and mailed to landowner.
- Attended February 9th and February 17th LWCD staff meetings.
- Worked with Shane in completing two resolutions to present to the CEED and County Board in February and March.
- Attended February 21st CEED meeting and completed minutes.
- Organized County Board and CEED packet information and took to County Clerk's office.
- Preparing for tree and shrub distribution.
- Preparing for move to River Block (cleaning file cabinets and workstations with Tracy Arnold).
- Attended multi-discharge variance webinar.

**Activities Report for Emily Salvinski
February 2017**

- **February 1-8.** Honeymoon
- **February 9.** Created a NMP list for my use. Attended staff meeting.
- **February 10.** Reviewed Bell's Runway Acres 2017 NMP.
- **February 13.** Transferred paper maps to Snap Maps for Gabel and Accola Farms. Reviewed Jim and Joanne Coenen's 2017 NMP.
- **February 14.** Created NMP brochure. Updated brochure supply for Farm Show display.
- **February 15.** Finished draft of Snap Maps info sheet. Attended Farm Show. Attended 590 Update in Greenwood (Will receive 2 CEUs for CCA cert).
- **February 16.** Typed up notes from previous day's meeting. Prepared excel spreadsheet to keep track of NMP review results.
- **February 17.** Attended staff meeting for discussion on employee handbook. Reviewed DeBoer's 2016 NMP. Re-stocked brochures after farm show depletion.
- **February 20.** Worked on postcard reminder to mail to those with NMPs due. Worked on gathering addresses to send postcard to. Processed Keith Jensen's NMP (update excel forms, scan in plan, map fields, reviewed plan, scanned in review, e-mailed review to writer, entered review results in).
- **February 21.** Attended Prairie Chicken Meeting and took meeting minutes. Typed up minutes.
- **February 22.** Cover crop termination webinar.

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Activities Report for Shane Wucherpennig February 2017

- **February 1** – Attended CEED Meeting.
- **February 2**– Met With farmers in the Mill Creek Farmer Led Council.
- **February 2** – WI River Healthy Soil/Water Planning meeting.
- **February 6** – Worked on Cover Crop/ No-till GIS Data Base.
- **February 7**– Attended the Executive Committee Meeting.
- **February 8**– Attended the 2017 Annual CAFO Update meeting in Mfld at the Ag. Research Station.
- **February 9**– Met with Nathan Wolsek & Wally Sedlar to discuss partnering Wood Adams and Portage county farmer to possible for a Farmer Led Effort in that Tri-County area. (Central Sands)
- **February 9**– Staff Meeting.
- **February 10**– Worked on No Till and cover crop acres in Snap-Plus Nutrient Management plans.
- **February 13** – Met with Justin Conner to discuss our department needs on GIS licenses and usage.
- **February 15** – Participated in an interview with Lynn Grooms from the AGRI-VIEW Newspaper about the Mill Creek Farmer-Led Watershed Counsel and their work.
- **February 15** – Prepared Staff Reports and Agenda for CEED Packet.
- **February 15** – Finished up Resolutions to put in the CEED packet.
- **February 15** – Set up at the Marshfield Farm Show & Manned it all day.
- **February 16** – WI River Healthy Soil/Water Planning meeting.
- **February 16** – Worked on No Till and cover crop acres in Snap-Plus Nutrient Management plans.
- **February 17**– Staff Meeting & Reviewed Employee Hand Book as a staff to make recommendations to HR.
- **February 17**– Gave presentation on Wild Parsnip and other invasive plants at the February Towns Association meeting held at the Richfield Town Hall in the evening.
- **February 20** – Worked on No Till and cover crop acres in Snap-Plus Nutrient Management plans.
- **February 21** – Attended Special CEED meeting.
- **February 21** – Attended Wood County Board.
- **February 22** – Cover Crop Termination Webinar.
- **February 22** – Met with Peter Kastenholz, Hilde Henkel, Tracy Arnold and myself to discuss a public records.
- **February 23** – Worked on 2017 Project Designs.
- **February 24** – Worked with Emily to update some Snap-Plus Maps
- **February 27** – Attended MSHA Training in Tomah for Non-Metallic Mine Safety.
- **February 28**– Worked on 2017 Project Designs.
- **February 28** – Worked on No Till and cover crop acres in Snap-Plus Nutrient Management plans.

Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee Report March 2017

PETER MANLEY

Wood County UW-Extension, Community Resource Agent

- I attended and processed paperwork related to the February 1 CEED meeting.
- On February 2nd I assisted Planning and Zoning Department staff on a government education day for the South Wood County Leadership Program. 13 participants learned about the court system, the jail, how to find various departments in the Courthouse, Native American constitutional rights and how to approach and speak with public officials.
- I assisted a steering committee with planning an organizational meeting regarding a food hub in south Wood County, February 7.
- We made progress in planning a stakeholder meeting regarding a river trails project, February 7.
- I organized and facilitated the Employee Feedback Group meeting, February 9. Minutes from that meeting have been sent out to all employees.
- I conducted two call-in radio programs, February 14 & 16.
- I met with the Saratoga Town Board, February 15, to begin the planning for the upcoming Clean Sweep.
- The following day, I was back in Saratoga for SE Wood County Groundwater Group meeting. Various interests, including ag, met to discuss potential ways to protect groundwater quality in the future. We particularly discussed how to collect data for monitor groundwater quality over the long term.
- On February 27, I attended a broadband webinar. I made plans for public input assistance with the Town of Rome.
- I scheduled and sent information to the ADRC for a strategic planning update.
- I attended an economic development tour, sponsored by Incourage Community Foundation, February 28.
- I attended a state Department Head meeting, February 6, for the release of preliminary information on the nEXT Gen reorganization plan.
- I conducted a Faculty Review of Art Lersch, February 17.

MATT LIPPERT

Wood County UW-Extension, Agriculture Agent

- I assisted the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce, Business and Industry –Agribusiness Committee at the Marshfield Farm Show. We procured samples from 18 area food businesses that make cheese, sausage or cranberry products to highlight the message of what food industries have a strong local base here in Central Wisconsin. We also offered information about other activities MACCI and the associated groups in our committee participate in.

- I presented at the Grassworks Conference, a grazing conference that was held in Wisconsin Dells. I offered information on the value of and special management concerns of poorly drained soils for grazing.
- I conducted Private Pesticide Applicator Training (PAT) certification, a training program and an exam that UW-Extension Cooperates with DATCP to offer this certification to area farmers.
- I met with the Wood County Farm Bureau Board.
- I joined in the SE Wood County Ground Water Committee for their third session, trying to lay the ground work for collaboration for better ground water in South East Wood County.
- I met with the Farm Technology Days Executive committee, the fundraising committee, and the promotional video workgroup.
- I organized a series of meetings offered during the month at Elroy and Sherry for dairy producers.
- Much planning for the upcoming Heart of the Farm- program for farm women to be held in March will assure this a great conference to attend.
- I helped organize a cattle feeders meeting in Marshfield.
- I attended the Wisconsin Holstein Convention in Appleton.

SARAH SEIGEL

Wood County UW-Extension, Family Living Educator

- Put up the display board for the Check Your FREE Credit Report Campaign in the Wood County courthouse. Information sheets were placed out on table to encourage people to check their credit report. February 1
- Dropped off materials to Ho-Chunk/Nekoosa Head Start for our parent meeting this month. Materials went home with students ahead of time. February 3
- Had a Financial Coaching appointment with a Wood County resident on February 3.
- Listened to a UW-Extension North Central Region Wisline with my office colleagues. The Wisline provided an update on what is taking place within UW-Extension. February 6
- Had an appointment with Wisconsin Rapids Community Access Channel. I was trained as a volunteer to video tape the Wood County Wellness Lunch & Learns. February 6
- Taught Healthy Lifestyles: Fruits and Vegetables at River Cities High School on February 9. Fruits and vegetables is the fourth class of a series of classes which will be monthly with the River Cities students. The class is co-taught with Jodi Friday.
- Taught Healthy Bodies and Teeth at the Nekoosa/Ho-Chunk Head Start Parent Meeting on February 9. Parents participated in a variety of activities that promoted healthy eating as a family and learned new strategies to incorporate at home.
- Completed an Extension Update on my work with Small Savings Big Dreams. February 13
- Submitted award applications to WEAFCs and NEAFCS for my work with Ho-Chunk/Nekoosa Head Start specifically my work on the Fall Family Meal Event. February 14
- Videotaped and attended the Wood County Wellness Lunch & Learn on Heart Health at the Wood County courthouse. The Lunch & Learns are a partnership with the Wood County Health Department and Wood County Employee Wellness. February 16

- Listened to a Dollars During Development Evaluation Wisline on February 16. The workgroup is under the Family Financial Security State Team. The workgroup focuses on financial literacy for young children.
- Taught a Choose myPlate: Promoting Healthy Eating class at Assumption Middle School on February 17
- Listened to a Department of Family Development Wisline on February 21
- Taught a Eating a Colorful Diet Class on February 22 at UW-Wood County/Marshfield.
- Talked on the radio (WFHR) on February 23. My topic was Mindfulness. I discussed Mindfulness and how to incorporate it in your daily life.
- Listened to a WEAFCs membership Wisline on February 23. I am part of the subcommittee that focuses on membership of WEAFCs.
- Had a meeting with Kerry Preece from McMillan library regarding my Dollars During Development work. February 24
- I attended coalition meetings throughout the month for Healthy Lifestyles, south Wood County Financial Stability, Food Center/Community Food Center subcommittee, Homelessness coalition, Hunger Coalition subcommittee, Recreate Health, and south Wood County Hunger Coalition.

JODI FRIDAY

Wood County UW-Extension, FoodWise Nutrition Educator

- Taught 25 youth lessons at both Almond and Wisconsin Rapids schools. Taught 5th grade lessons on beverage and snack choice and 3rd grade lessons on whole grains and fruits & veggies for a total of 375+ teaching contacts.
- Participated in Mead Elementary school's STEM parent night featuring an activity on food safety, hand washing and Glo Germ!
- Participated in a United WE Can subcommittee meeting. United WE Can will be June 14th at the Rafter's game.
- Taught at the South Wood County Emerging Pantry (SWEPS) once this month. One participant commented "Thank you for your help. I don't know what I'm doing here."
- Taught one lesson at River Cities High School to approximately 8 students on fruit and vegetables with Sarah Siegel.
- Participated in one Wood County Recreate Health (formerly Chronic Disease) Coalition meeting.
- Participated in a joint meeting between South Wood County Hunger Coalition, Wood County Recreate Health and Peter Manley to plan a Spring kickoff meeting for a Community Food Center. The meeting is set for March 22nd from 9:30am to 12:30pm at McMillan Library. We welcome anyone interested in the Community Food Center to attend!
- Attended one FoodWise Wood/Portage County team meeting.
- Attended four Wood County staff meetings.
- Attended the Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools Wellness Committee meeting.
- Attended the South Wood County Hunger Coalition meeting.

KYLI BROWN

Wood County UW-Extension, 4-H Program Advisor

- Planed and attended the first annual 4-H Bowling Tournament. There were 16 teams with 64 total 4-H participants.
- Respond to phone calls and emails regarding 4-H enrollments, questions, feedback and planning meetings for 4-H.
- Attended the Master Gardner Meeting on February 20th to talk about the Farm Tech Day Youth Tent and MG involvement
- Facilitated the Youth Tent Farm Technology Committee on Feb. 23

CHRIS VIAU

Wood County UW-Extension, 4-H Youth Development Educator

The following is an overview of Youth Development activities:

- 4-H Club and Program Management
 - Leadership Washington Focus Trip Planning and Logistics
 - Continue planning for 2017 trip
 - Chaperone selection and travel arrangements
 - 4-H Area Animal Science Days Organizing Committee Meeting
 - Refine facility needs
 - Next meeting February 28th
 - Wood County to host June 21 @ Fairgrounds
 - Dairy, Livestock, Horse, and Small Animal educational and competitive judging events
 - Expect 200-300 youth/volunteers/parents to attend
 - 4-H Leaders Association Executive and Association Meetings
 - Youth and Adults as Partners in Leadership workgroup meeting
 - Review current structure and recommend changes to engage youth as partners in leadership
 - 4-H Club and Volunteer Management concerns-Ongoing
- Central WI State Fair
 - Assist Fair office with Fair Software demo for Open Class
 - Jr. Fair Board February Meeting
- Other
 - North Central Region 4-H Conference Call
- Administrative
 - State and Regional Phone Conferences and Meeting
 - 4-H Youth Development Liaison Responsibilities- 25% FTE

JEREMY ERICKSON

Wood County UW-Extension, Horticulture Educator

- Attend Portage County Master Gardener Training class
- Prep and plant materials for Microgreen Class at UW-Marshfield
- Teach Microgreen Class at UW-Marshfield
- Attend the Community Food Center Planning Committee Meeting
- Appear on WFHR Wisconsin Rapids Radio
- Teach Master Gardener Class in Waushara County
- Met with Mead Elementary School about their school garden
- Met with Master Gardener Volunteer planning for Wisconsin Rapids Growing Friends-Community Garden
- Facilitate Garden Planning Discussion at Arpin Library
- Attend the Master Gardener Board Meeting
- Meet with Farm to School Americorp Members to plan for school gardens
- Facilitate Water Garden Presentation for Marshfield Garden Club



RESOLUTION#

Introduced by Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee
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Motion:	Adopted:
1 st	Lost:
2 nd	Tabled:
No: Yes:	Absent:
Number of votes required:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> Two-thirds
Reviewed by: <u>PAK</u> , Corp Counsel	
Reviewed by: _____, Finance Dir.	

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INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To encourage the Board of Supervisors for the County of Wood to designate wild parsnip (*Pastinaca sativa*) as a "noxious weed" within the County Boundary's.

FISCAL NOTE: none.

		NO	YES	A
1	LaFontaine, D			
2	Rozar, D			
3	Feirer, M			
4	Wagner, E			
5	Fischer, A			
6	Breu, A			
7	Ashbeck, R			
8	Vacant			
9	Winch, W			
10	Henkel, H			
11	Curry, K			
12	Machon, D			
13	Hokamp, M			
14	Polach, D			
15	Clendenning, B			
16	Pliml, L			
17	Zurfluh, J			
18	Hamilton, B			
19	Leichtnam, B			

WHEREAS, Canada thistle, leafy spurge and field bindweed are currently listed as noxious weeds in WI State Statute 66.0407(1)(b); and

WHEREAS, Wood County is authorized by WI State Statute 66.0407(1)(b) to designate any weed as noxious within County boundaries; and

WHEREAS, wild parsnip creates health and ecological threats and is increasingly prevalent within the County; and

WHEREAS, wild parsnip is listed by the WI DNR as an invasive species with control encouraged by WI Administrative Rule NR 40; and

WHEREAS, directing the control of invasive species is listed as a priority action in the County Land and Water Resource Management Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES that the Board of Supervisors for the County of Wood hereby designates wild parsnip (*Pastinaca sativa*) as a "noxious weed" within the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be directed to the attention of Portage County Land & Water Conservation Committee, the state legislators, the governor, the directors of WDNR and DATCP, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

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HILDE HENKEL (Chair)

ROBERT ASHBECK

BILL LEICHTNAM

KEN CURRY

ADAM FISCHER

HARVEY PETERSEN

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this _____ day of _____ 20 _____.

County Clerk

County Board Chairman