

MINUTES OF THE J&L WOOD COUNTY WATER PROTECTION SUBCOMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 11, 2016

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: Courthouse Room 115

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Gerald Nelson, Vice Chair Bill Leichtnam, Joseph Zurfluh, Dennis Bangard, Bruce Dimick-Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: Bruce Thorson, Bill Clendenning - CB, Amy Sue Vruwink-US Rep. Ron Kind, Hilde Henkel - CB, Lance Pliml - CB, Scott Larson - MACCI, Mitchel Perkl- Town of Wood, Peter Kastenholz, Corporation Counsel.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

1. Public Comment: Hilde Henkel questioned the need and legitimacy for the committee. Dimick and Clendenning disagreed.

2. Minutes of Meeting of Jan. 29, 2016. MTA Zurfluh, Second Dimick. Bangard requested an addendum covering comments by Darrell Reigel, addendum attached. 5 "Ayes"

3. Legislative Update: Dimick discussed the reemergence of SB 239/AB 874. Pliml offered that nothing will happen until next session as over 100 bills are before the legislature and the Assembly is due to recess by February 19. Discussion followed. The focus ought to be on aquifer lowering rather than HCW count.

4. Agenda Items: Kastenholz presented a written memorandum entitled "Ability of County to Regulate Water". He also gave an oral presentation and provided committee members with a list of the relevant Wood County ordinances. Kastenholz was concerned that the recent Bayfield Ordinance has some weaknesses, but was well written and researched. Zurfluh reiterated the need for a "Geology 101" course as the next step.

5. Next Meeting: Thursday, February 25 @ 9:00 AM

6. Agenda Item Next Meeting: Geology 101 presented by Shane Wucherpfennig.

7. Adjournment: Motion Zurfluh and seconded by Bangard. Time ~ 10:30 AM.

Addendum to January 29, 2016 Public Comments by Darrell Reigel:

- Darrell Reigel discussed a number of resources that are available and offered materials on the conservation practices of agriculture including no-till, winter cover crops, buffer strips, and the updates to SnapPlus. The agricultural community is actively addressing water related conservation issues. Darrell left us with a number of reference magazines. (Currently held by Dimick)

Minutes recorded by Dimick and approved by Dimick, Secretary