



PORTAGE COUNTY

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MEETING AGENDA

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, December 8, 2022

7:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

The Agriculture and Extension Education Committee meeting was called to order at 7:10pm.

Members Present: Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, David Peterson, Steve Cieslewicz
Attending In-Person: Barry Jacowski, Matt Jacowski, David Peterson, Steve Cieslewicz
Attending Online:
Members Excused:Pat Keller
Members Absent:

Staff Attending: Ken Schroeder, Jason Hausler, Denise Rocha, Lisa Henriksen
Others Attending:

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Review/Approval of minutes from November 10, 2022.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair M. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Peterson, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

REPORTS

2. Review Vendor Invoice List

The vendor invoice list and budget report were reviewed by the Committee.

3. Area Extension Director Report

Assistant Dean, Jason Hausler reported recruitment for the new Area 7 AED is almost complete. An offer of employment had been

made with a tentative start date of January 3, 2023. Hausler also reported that staff have been working on the budget prioritization documents that are due to Finance by the end of the month.

4. Educator Report

Educators submitted a written report that was included in the committee meeting packet.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

5. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

- Request for special meeting attendance: None
- Approval of attendance of special meetings: D. Peterson Drainage District Board Annual Meeting on November 16, 2022 and Mill Creek Watershed Meeting on November 30, 2022.
- Special meeting attendance reports: D. Peterson reported attending the Drainage District Board Annual Meeting where current conditions of the drainage ditches were discussed. Peterson also reported attending the Mill Creek Watershed meeting where different ways to apply cover crops were presented.

A motion was made by Chair B. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Cieslewicz, to approve the special meeting attendance. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

6. Discussion/Possible Action: Ag & Extension assistance with groundwater issues in Portage County.

Discussion continued on ways to utilize not only Portage County Extension staff, but also the statewide network of Extension professionals to provide assistance with groundwater issues in Portage County. Work is currently being done by Extension to address water quality concerns in Portage County, Central Wisconsin, and the State as a whole.

CORRESPONDENCE

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REMINDER

NEXT MEETING DATE

- 7. January 12, 2023 7:00PM**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice-Chair M. Jacowski, seconded by Supervisor Peterson, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

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