

MINUTES: Yahara WINS Executive Committee meeting:

DATE: 3/16/2021

TIME: (approx. 2:45 PM)

LOCATION: Virtual meeting

SUBMITTED BY: Greg Fries - Secretary

Executive Committee:

- X Martin Griffin, President
- X Greg Fries, Secretary
- X Jeff Rau, Treasurer
- X Tom Wilson
- X Judd Blau – Village of Deforest, Vice President
- X Kyle Minks - Dane County Representative
- Laura Hicklin, Dane County Representative
- Bob Uphoff, Yahara Pride Farms Representative
- James Tye, Clean Lakes Alliance Representative
- X Kim Meyer – MMSD
- Andrew Baker Rock County LCD
- Amy Piaget, Dane County Representative
- Paul Dearlove – Clean Lakes Alliance Representative
- Jon Lindert – Strand
- X Richard Weihert

1. Opening
 - a. Call to Order – Martye called the meeting to order at 2:47
 - b. Welcomed guests and visitors

2. Review and acceptance of the December 15, 2020 minutes

Motion by – Rau
Second by – Wilson
Voice Vote – Unanimous approval

3. Executive Committee Election Results – New Member Judd Blau as an at-large position and completing the term of Gary Huth, Tom Wilson and Jeff Rau are re-elected. Judd is the new Director of Public Services at Village of Deforest. Looked at roles of the Executive Committee – Rau and Fries agreed to stay in the current roles.

Motion made by Rau to have Wilson serve as the Vice President
Second by Blau.
Voice Vote – Unanimous approval (Wilson abstained)

Wilson made a motion to continue Rau and Fries in their current roles
Second by Blau
Voice Vote – Unanimous approval

4. Yahara WINS Audit – Griffin reported that we have been doing our annual audits from 2018 to current and if we want to solicit for a new auditor since we have used the same firm for the last 4 years. Rau noted that working with CL&A have been great to work with and they have been a competitive firm in terms of pricing. Rau suggest that move forward with the two (2) staff recommendations which are 1) we retain them for 2021 (2020 financial year audit) and 2) request quotes and negotiate with them to continue auditing services for the next two years.

Motion to accept the two staff recommendations – Wilson

Second – by Rau

Voice Vote – Unanimous approval

5. 2021 Columbia County Service Agreement – Griffin reported that their agreement ended in mid-2020 and the new agreement is on the table for going forward. Brief discussion is that the main difference is that there is cost per pound limitation (so a cap on how much they can hit) and differing dollar amounts for the next two years than the previous agreement. Finally, treatment practices in internally drained areas are required to have both parties agree before dollars can be spent in these areas.

Motion to accept the agreement as provided - Wilson

Second – by Blau

Voice Vote – Unanimous approval

6. Fitchburg monitoring station-funding request – Griffin reported that Fitchburg has pulled their request for funding for the monitoring station. Note reminding members there were two parts to the Fitchburg request: annual operation costs and the capital funding costs. We asked for additional details on those costs.
7. Town of Dunn – Griffin reported that the Town of Dunn requested to withdraw from their MOU with WINS – revised modeling indicated they had not loading contribution but still wanted to contribute financially. The Town has no mandatory requirement to fund WINS, and prefer to use these funds toward a specific pollution prevention project instead. Dunn has indicated it will put the funds toward a leaf pick-up project. No action required or taken.
8. Adjourned at 3:32 by Griffin