

# Climate Change Task Force

Wednesday September 2, 2020

Monroe County Board Assembly Room

## Agenda:

1. Call to Order at 2:33 pm by Tina Osterberg, County Administrator
2. Welcome and Introductions: See attendees list attached
3. Coon Creek watershed Study- Eric Booth, PhD Associate Scientist UW-Madison presentation. Overview of flooding history over the last 150 years
  - a. UW-Madison Flood Resilience Research:
    - i. Pathways to increasing Flood Resilience- Enhancing Infiltration/Flood Mitigation
    - ii. Rainfall analysis- stochastic storm transposition, literature Review, trend analysis, field work: infiltrations and ridge top
    - iii. Other related projects- Diverse Public perspectives, 18 interviews completed targeting perspectives and analyze summaries, propose and navigate ideas
    - iv. Improving Flood Management Institutions and mapping
    - v. Examining Flood Adaptation Strategies
    - vi. Timeline: 1<sup>st</sup> Draft completed by end of 2020 Final Completion and Draft by May 2021
  - b. New Projects
    - i. Interactive Dynamics of Stream Restoration and Flood Resilience in a changing climate
    - ii. USDA Grassland 2.0 Agro ecological transformation to perennial grassland coverage
4. Review of Watershed Meetings
  - a. Leon/Wilton: Tina thanked all that were in attendance. Feels the message was good and the education to the public was positive
  - b. Information posted on the website
5. Funding Update (Donations/Grants, etc.)
  - a. Tina provides update with Funds as of this date and funding/grants from American Family Insurance, Wilton Community/Village of Wilton, Kickapoo Valley Reserve

- b. Tim Welch provides update with his targeted businesses, utilities, municipalities, comments that online applications for donations has been somewhat difficult. He did secure funds from Mathew's Bow, Walmart, and Toro. In process applications are Organic Valley, Gundersen Health Systems and Alliant Energy
  - c. Roxie informs committee that application period is open for two FEMA grant programs: Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant and Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant. Roxie will review application requirements and determine if CCTF projects are eligible. Final applications will be due in January 2021.
    - i. Gregg Wavrunek, Regional Representative for US Senator Tammy Baldwin, mentions that if apply for grants then he will contact Senator's Office and they will provide a letter of support to submit along with the applications.
- 6. Review Weather Stations/equipment for the Kickapoo River & Little La Crosse River Watersheds
  - a. Roxie provides overview of project and updated price quotes. All presentations and PowerPoint posted on the website
  - b. Approve equipment for purchase- Map Planning/Discussion
    - i. Motion by Cedric Schnitzler to purchase Intellisense Real Time Monitor Equipment Second by Jared Tessman. Motion Carried by voice vote
  - c. Implementation Timeline- Discussion, potential install October 2020
- 7. Stream Crossing/Culvert Training Update- Ron Luethe not present
  - a. John Noble comments DNR and townships and county are completing inventory of needs. Not finding answers at this point to the questions, looking at standardized layer of county platform ranking systems. Needing replacements and funding needs. Planning to coordinate this fall. Future zoom meeting later this week discussion future training opportunities. Suggestion to reach out to FEMA and DOT Angela Adams.
- 8. CCTF Logo Review
  - a. New concepts presented and Discussion. Suggestions to shapes and colors.
  - b. Logo samples will be edited per comments and will be posted for review and voting.
- 9. Open Discussion/questions
  - a. Liability Insurance on Real Time Monitor Stations. Action Step to discuss this with County Clerk, Shelley Bohl
- 10. Future Topics and Meeting Dates
  - a. Next Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday October 7, 2020 in the Monroe County Board Assembly Room at 2:30 pm. Remote Options will be available information to follow
  - b. Fred Clark from Greenfire presentation
- 11. Adjournment at 4:21 p.m.

# Monroe County Climate Change Task Force Meeting

Date: 9/2/2020

## Monroe County Climate Change Task Force Members

Name	Title	Agency
Tina Osterberg	County Administrator	Monroe County
Bob Micheel	County Conservationist	Monroe County
Alison Elliott	Zoning Administrator	Monroe County
Roxie Anderson	Land Use Planner	Monroe County
David Ohnstad	Highway Commissioner	Monroe County
Jared Tessman	Emergency Management Coordinator	Monroe County
Cedric Schnitzler	County Supervisor, District 4	Monroe County
Wally Habegger	County Supervisor, District 5	Monroe County
Al McCoy	County Supervisor, District 1	Monroe County
Dave Pierce	County Supervisor, District 2	Monroe County
Ron Luethe	Town Supervisor	Town of Ridgeville
Jack Herricks	Town Chair / MC Farm Bureau President	Town of Jefferson
Bill Halfman	Agricultural Agent	UW-Extension
John Noble	Fisheries Biologist	Fort McCoy
Tonya Townsell	Public Affairs Officer	Fort McCoy
Cindy Koperski	Program and Policy Analyst	WI Dept. of Natural Resources
RED = Absent		

## Additional Attendees

Name	Title	Agency
Gillian Pomplun	Reporter	Crawford City Independent
Marcy West	Executive Director	Kickapoo Valley Reserve
Abbey Nicewander	Planner	Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission
Adrian Lockington	Administrative Office Specialist	Monroe County
Ned Gatzke	Resident	Monroe County
Jen Schmitz	County Supervisor, District 15	Monroe County
John Wetenkamp	Hydrologist	National Weather Service
Tim Hundt	Representative	U.S. Representative Ron Kind
Mike Holland	Representative	U.S. Senator Ron Johnson
Gregg Wavrunek	Regional Representative	U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin
Eric Booth, PHhD	Associate Scientist	UW-Madison
Jackson Parr	Scientist	UW-Madison
Caroline Gottschalk	Scientist	UW-Madison
Robert Rosner	Scientist	UW-Madison
Ceci Spann	Resident	Vernon County
Tim Welch	Village President	Village of Wilton
Dan Baumann	Secretary's Director	WI Dept. of Natural Resources
Megan Duffy	Water Reg/Zoning Engineer	WI Dept. of Natural Resources
Josefine Jaynes	State Assembly Candidate	Wisconsin