



**Marathon County
Minutes – September 10, 2019
210 River Drive, Wausau, WI**

Attendance:

Present

Kurt Gibbs, County Board ChairmanX
Jacob Langenhahn, Environmental Resources Committee Chairman.....X
Craig McEwen, County Board Vice Chairman.....X (*excused*)

Also Present: Paul Daigle, Ken Pozorski, Lane Loveland, Cindy Kraeger, Rebecca Frisch – CPZ

1. Call to Order and Silence Electronic Devices

Gibbs called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.; all electronic devices silenced.

2. Policy Issues Discussion and Committee Determination to the County Board for its Consideration and Possible Action

A. Consideration of Authorizing a letter to Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to provide comments on proposed changes to ATCP51 Livestock Facility Licensing Administrative rule revision.

Discussion: Daigle discussed the purpose of the meeting is to determine the position of Marathon County on the proposed ATCP51 rule and to review and discuss comments to be submitted to DATCP by the September 13, 2019 deadline, if the Board Chairman and Environmental Resources Committee Chairman choose to do so. Staff became aware of the public hearing process in late July. Gibbs stated the comment letter does not have to go to County Board for its consideration according to county board rules. Background information was presented on Chapter ATCP 51 Livestock Facility Siting Rule. Items discussed included updating standards to be consistent with current state and federal standards, providing clarity for the process to follow when modifying a license, improvements to worksheets used when evaluating an existing waste storage facility, setbacks related to structures/uses occupied by persons, how to handle farms that were “grandfathered” in 2006 and the challenges of what constitutes an expansion of 20%, and creation of a process for license modification/update.

Action: **MOTION** / second by Langenhahn / Gibbs to have staff draft letter for review and approval, and authorizing county board chairman signature of letter to DATCP providing comments on proposed changes to ATCP51 Livestock Facility Licensing Administrative rule revision and to send to all local legislators, Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA), and Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WLWCA) .

Motion **carried** by voice vote, no dissent.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, **Motion** / second by Langenhahn / Gibbs to **adjourn** at 5:25 p.m. Motion **carried** by voice vote, no dissent.

Submitted by:
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