

LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS STUDY GROUP
Thursday, November 3, 2016, 1:00 p.m., Courthouse, Room 207C
1313 Belknap Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by County Board Chair Mark Liebaert.

ROLL CALL: Present – Pat Ryan, Jane Anklam, Nick Baker, Terry White, Steve Rannenberg, Carolyn Pierce (Advisor). Absent – Mary Lou Bergman, Christine Ostern. Others present – Mark Liebaert, Shelley Nelson, Kaci Lundgren, Committee Clerk.

ACTION: Motion by Ryan, second Baker, to elect Terry White as temporary chair. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Baker, second Ryan, to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2016, meeting. Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Review of Previous Meeting: No farms in Douglas County currently over 500 animals; should continue to pursue ordinance even if Bayfield County CAFO application is withdrawn.

Proposal to Address Groundwater Goal from the Land and Water Resource Management Plan: Baseline data of groundwater important to see current water state; will be beneficial if changes occur due to CAFO's. Options include a study for the entire county or specific areas of concern.

Douglas County Livestock Facilities Licensing Ordinance 8.10: Separate CAFO zone district would need to be created, as licensing process does not allow restriction of placement. A majority of towns must approve ordinance change in order to pass; Liebaert to mention study to Towns Association members. Minimum acreage sizes discussed; storage issue/size a concern. DNR monitors many regulations including air quality and storm water runoff. Rannenberg to verify if ordinance amendments are allowed and to what extent.

Application of Liquid Livestock Manure Using Spray Irrigation Systems: Presentation given by Anklam on spray irrigation application. Areas of concern include odor, water quality, gas emissions, particulate matter and hazardous air pollutants.

ACTION ITEM:

Set Meeting Schedule and Topics: To be referred to next meeting. December 15, 2016, tentative meeting date.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Groundwater study grant; Towns Association information; Bayfield County case result.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ryan, second Baker, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Submitted by,
Kaci Jo Lundgren, Committee Clerk