

Coon Creek Community Watershed Council (CCCWC)
February Meeting
Coon Valley Conservation Club
51005 Knudson Lane, Coon Valley, WI
Wednesday, February 1, 2023
Eat & Greet! Food Served: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order @7:00pm (Nancy Wedwick)
2. Marc's Fascinating Flashbacks
 - a. Marc shared that on the Fishers & Farmers website there is a topographical map & basin map of the highest points & lowest points of the watershed.
3. Updates
 - a. Events/conferences
 - i. Update from the WABA Conference - Kevin Traastad - There were presentations on cover crops, yield, & no-till. Items to note was the cover crop effect of rye on the soybean yield. Also information presented on nitrogen applications.
 - ii. Update from the January 18th – Joint Watershed Meeting (CCCWC, Bad Axe, Tainter & Rush Creek) - Was rescheduled to next week (February 8th)
 - b. Update on grant submissions -
 - i. CCCWC received the WI Idea Collaboration Grant from WI Extension & Extension Lake to build organizational capacity & working with other watershed partners on a watershed plan. Grant was a total of \$65,000, CCCWC to receive \$30,000.
 - ii. DNR Grant - they have our W9, just waiting to hear back from them
 - iii. Riley Baldwin WI Idea Grant Submission - Asking for \$90,000 in partnership with UW to continue work on the oral narratives interviews, organizational capacity & website building.
 - iv. Fishers & Farmers Grant - looking into possibilities with this grant
 - c. Update on Logo creation - provided update on progress of logo creation - how to have logos soon to vote on by membership
 - d. Website quotes - currently seeking quotes for website design & management from Sleeping Giant & River Travel Media.
 - e. Treasurer - we still have \$3000 in the 2022 DATCP grant to spend on Alternative Cover Crops - see Kevin Traastad if interested.
 - f. Oral Narratives - next round of interviews are scheduled for February 25th & 26th. About 20 scheduled so far.
4. Strategic Planning Sessions
 - a. Saturday, February 11th, 10:00am -1:00pm Coon Valley Conservation Club, lunch provided
 - b. Saturday, March 11th, 10:00am -1:00pm Coon Valley Conservation Club, lunch provided
5. Next Meeting date and location - Wednesday, March 1, 2023 @ Coon Valley Conservation Club. Presentation from Brandon Larson, Director of Vernon

County Emergency Management, on the spring flood outlook, weather awareness/preparedness and the county multi- hazard mitigation plan.

6. Presentation - Andre Paquette of Firefly Farms

Presenting a mini garden expo on perennials and bulbs for the gardeners and landowners in our watershed group.

“No man is an island to themselves.” - John Donne