

**MINUTES**  
**LIVESTOCK FACILITY SITING TECHNICAL EXPERT COMMITTEE**

**December 22, 2022**  
**ZoomGov Meeting**

**Item #1      Call to Order—Roll Call, Open Meeting Notice, Introductions**

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**Call to Order**

The Livestock Facility Siting Technical Expert Committee (Committee) met via videoconference on **December 22, 2022**. The meeting was preceded by public notice as required by Wis. Stat. § 19.84. The meeting was called to order at **9:00 am**.

**Members Present**

**Members:** Scott Frank, Nikki Wagner, Travis Drier, Emily Micolichuk, AV Roth, Jay Heeg, Mike Koles, Matt Zangl and Gaylord Olson were present.

**Staff:** Tim Jackson, Tim Anderson and Katy Smith of DATCP were present.

Members of the 2022-2023 Livestock Siting Technical Expert Committee formally introduced themselves.

- **Scott Frank**, Shawano County Conservationist- has worked in Shawano County for 27 years, 24 years in the Land Conservation Department, with experience as a Technician and Conservationist overseeing all aspects of the Department. Frank oversees the review and approval process for the County’s Livestock Facility Licensing Ordinance and has experience in review with respect to waste storage and waste transfer planning, design and construction inspection, feedlot runoff, evaluating sites as well as inspection to address runoff issues, and nutrient management plan review and SnapPlus.
- **Nikki Wagner**, Rock River Labs- is a Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) with 15 years of experience in nutrient Management. Wagner primarily works with concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) for Rock River Labs, assists with projects related to Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permitting and has experience with rewriting the Wisconsin NRCS 590 Standard (2015).
- **Travis Drier**, Nutrient Management Specialist, Dunn County Land and Water Conservation Division- Drier is a CCA. Drier has been with Dunn County for 5 years and previously worked for Pepin County. In his current role, Drier teaches SnapPlus, reviews nutrient management plans for regulatory programming such as manure storage or permitting, works with farmland preservation conservation compliance, works on Dunn County’s waste storage ordinance and completes farm reviews and manure storage structure reviews.
- **Emily Micolichuk, Agricultural Engineer, Miller Engineers and Scientists-** Micolichuk is the Agricultural Department Manager for Miller Engineers and Scientists and has a decade of agricultural design experience, including working with permitting for county and state regulations, such as WPDES and Livestock Facility Siting ordinances.
- **AV Roth, Hog Producer-** Roth is a hog producer in Crawford County. Roth has served on past and present National Pork Producers Councils, is Vice President of the Wisconsin Pork

Producer Association and is a member of Farm Bureau. Roth has been engaged with livestock facility siting regulation since 2008.

- **Jay Heeg, Dairy Producer-** Heeg is a dairy producer in Marathon County, farms with two brothers and two nephews milking about 1250 cows, raising about 1100 heifers and farming about 3300 acres. Heeg’s farm has a WPDES permit. Heeg has previously served on the Board of Directors for the Professional Dairy Producers of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Beef Council and currently serves on the Beef Quality Assurance Advisory Committee.
- **Matt Zangl, Director, Jefferson County Department of Planning and Zoning-** Zangl has been with the Department for about 8 years. His Department reviews livestock facility siting permit applications in coordination with the Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department. Jefferson County’s livestock facility siting regulation is administered through zoning and permitting is triggered at 150 animal units.
- **Gaylord Olson, III, County Conservationist, Jackson County Land Conservation Department-** Olson has been with Jackson County since 1984 and in the County Conservationist role since 1986. Olson administers a number of county regulatory ordinances including non-metallic mining, manure storage and livestock siting. Jackson County’s livestock facility siting regulation is administered through licensing.
- **Mike Koles, Executive Director, Wisconsin Towns Association-** Koles has been with the Association for 10 years, representing the interests of all of the town governments in the state. Prior to his role at the Wisconsin Towns Association, Koles was a UW-Extension educator for about 15 years and was a member of the training team responsible for outreach and education after the Livestock Facility Siting rule was first promulgated.

*Note:* Curis Hedman, Phd., Wisconsin Department of Health Services, representing environmental science, was unavailable for the December 22, 2022 meeting of the Livestock Facility Siting Technical Expert Committee.

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**Item #2      Program, statute and rule overview, review rule review process and expectations**

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Tim Jackson, DATCP delivered a presentation that reviewed the Livestock Facility Siting program, statute (s. 93.90, Wis. Stats.), administrative rule (ATCP 51) as well as projected rule review processes and expectations. The [presentation](#) is available on the Livestock Facility Siting Technical Expert Committee’s [webpage](#).

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**Item #3      Preparing for the Next Meeting**

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Jackson advised the committee that the next meeting would focus on review of the Livestock Facility Siting Nutrient Management Standard ([ATCP 51.16, Wis. Admin Rule, ATCP 51, Appendix A, Worksheet 3](#)). The committee should expect a survey of their availability for the week of January 23-27<sup>th</sup> during the last week of December. A packet of materials for the committee to prepare, including an agenda and discussion guide, will be sent at least one week in advance of the scheduled meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 am.