LA CROSSE COUNTY WILDLIFE ABATEMENT/DAMAGE COMMITTEE

Monday, October 15, 2012 Room 3200 – Administrative Center 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Mueller, Leon Pfaff, Harry Meinking

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Francis Brown

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: DeWayne Snobl, Steve Huntzicker

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 a.m. by Chairman Carl Mueller and noted the meeting was properly posted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Pfaff/ Meinking to approve the meeting minutes from January 30, 2012. **Approved unanimously.**

2011 DEER DONATION PROGRAM UPDATE

- Down 20 animals in 2011 in La Crosse as compared to 2010, while the statewide numbers were up. No real reason as to number increase in the state, but likely due to CWD areas.
- \$55.00 per deer from the state and La Crosse County adds an additional \$20.00 for processing.

2011 DAMAGE PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT.

See attached document

2012 CROP PRICES CONSIDERATIONS

- Suggested by USDA/AHPIS
 - o Corn, Field \$5.90/Bu
 - o Soybeans \$12.88/Bu
 - o Alfalfa \$195.43/Ton
 - o Mixed hay \$136.70/Ton
- Committee felt these prices were fair based on an average from the whole year's prices.
- MOTION by Meinking/Pfaff to approve these prices. Approved unanimously.

90% HARVEST CUT-OFF DATE

- Discussion about leaving the date same as last year which would make this year's date November 15, 2012.
- MOTION by Pfaff/Meinking to approve. Approved unanimously.

2013 PROGRAM BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS AND APPROVAL

- See attached information
- Overall it is looking like a similar budget to 2012. **MOTION** by Pfaff/Meinking to approve \$14,405.65 for total county budget to be allocated. **Approved unanimously**.

USDA-AHPIS UPDATE

- October 15, 2012 (today) is the opening of the wolf hunt in Wisconsin. No hunting with dogs is allowed.
- Cougars have been added to the damage program.
- Sand Hill cranes not much damage in this area, but a number of calls.
- Discussion about tags for claims.

UPDATE WDNR

Ron was unable to make the meeting.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

The next planned meeting will be held on January 28, 2013, starting at 8:30 a.m. in Room 3200 of the Administrative Building in La Crosse.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Pfaff/Meinking to adjourn. Approved unanimously. Adjourned at 9:27am.

Disclaimer: The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next meeting, Steve Huntzicker,

Recorder