

EXTENSION EDUCATION & RECYCLING COMMITTEE
Douglas County Board of Supervisors
Thursday, January 12, 2023, 3:02 p.m., Government Center Boardroom 201,
1313 Belknap Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by Chair Hendrickson.

ROLL CALL: Present – Susan Hendrickson, Charlie Glazman, Michael Raunio, Wendy Bong. Absent – Mike Streveler. Others Present – Mark Liebaert, Shelley Nelson, Ann Doucette, Tylor Edwards, Tarah Nichols, Katelin Stenroos, Mary Pardee, Tracy Henegar, Ellen Chicka, Julie Montgomery, Dennis Rice (Remote), Ty Houglum (remote), Ashtin Gronning (remote), Fiber is the Future (remote), Kendra Schmidt, Committee Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Bong, second Raunio, to approve the minutes of October 19, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.

Update on Rural Broadband Plan by East Central Energy (ECE): Handout provided during meeting. Main objective is to secure grant money. 4-5 years would be the estimated timeframe before Northwest Wisconsin would be covered due to fiber installation.

Reports:

Area Extension Director – M. Pardee: All staff members participated in a conference in December. Extension is working on a strategic plan for the next five years.

FoodWise – J. Montgomery/T. Nichols: New Strong Bodies classes taking place through March. As of March 1st, families receiving supplemental food dollars will be receiving less due to the end of Wisconsin's state of emergency status due to Covid. After-school crockpot cooking class has been funded.

Human Development & Relationships – T. Henegar: Workshops currently scheduled for suicide prevention and more are getting scheduled with different organizations. Teen mental health classes currently being scheduled with Superior schools. Other schools within Douglas County are reaching out for classes to be scheduled.

4-H and Youth Development – K. Stenroos: UW-Superior Yellowjacket for a Day partnership taking place with youth that are attending Superior Days. Youth in Government applications are being put out again.

Recycling Update – A. Gronning: Two year extension with Waste Management in effect January 1st, 2023. Household Hazardous Waste event taking place June 21st, 2023.

Future Agenda Items: Resolution for broadband will be ready to send to the County Board for March meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Bong, second Raunio, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Submitted by,
Kendra Schmidt, Committee Clerk