**WISCONSIN STATE** LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE HEARING RECORDS

# 2005-06

(session year)

# Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

# Committee on Agriculture and Insurance (SC-AI)

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>05hr\_SC-AI\_Appt\_pt10

Name: F. Byerly

> Clearinghouse Rules ... CRule

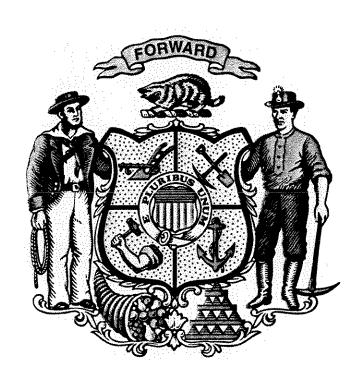
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# Vote Record

Committee on Agriculture and Insurance

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# State of Wisconsin Jim Doyle, Governor

## Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary

### Livestock Facility Siting Review Board Member Biography

NAME: Fran Byerly

MAILING ADDRESS: Jennie-O Turkey Store

34 North 7th Street Barron, WI 54813

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** fgbyerly@jennie-o.com

RESIDES IN: Barron, WI

**TELEPHONE:** 715-537-9517 ext 9295 (w)

715-637-3699 (h)

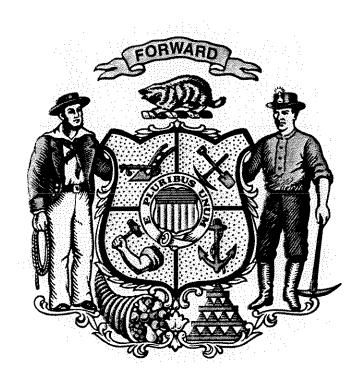
**OCCUPATION:** Director, Jennie-O Turkey Store, Inc.

**TERM:** A term to expire May 1, 2010

SUCCEEDS: Newly created board

SENATE CONFIRMATION:

**DATE OF APPOINTMENT:** February 24, 2006





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February 24, 2006

Mr. Fran Byerly Jennie-O Turkey Store 34 North 7th Street Barron, WI 54813

Dear Fran,

You were nominated by the Poultry Working Group to serve on the Livestock Facility Siting Review Board (Board). I have selected you as an at-large member of the Board, subject to confirmation by the Senate. You will join six other members, four of which must represent towns, counties, livestock farming, and environmental interests. Your term for this seat expires May 1, 2010.

The livestock facility siting law created the Board as a new option to appeal local decisions to approve or deny a proposed livestock facility or expansion. The Board will hear appeals from "aggrieved parties", including the livestock facility operator and any persons who live within 2 miles of the proposed facility. I believe the Board is key to successfully implementing the livestock facility siting program and reducing local siting conflicts.

The schedule of the Board will depend entirely on the number of appeals. I anticipate the Board will meet more frequently during the first year-possibly six to eight times -- and then less frequently over time. The Board will have two to three organizational meetings prior to hearing any appeals.

If you have any questions about this appointment, please contact Jennifer Heaton-Amrhein, at 608-224-4613 or at jennifer.heaton-amrhein@datcp.state.wi.us.

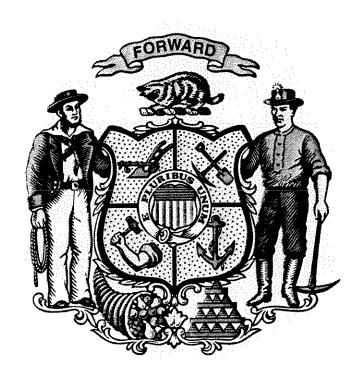
Thank you very much for your willingness to serve the state in this capacity.

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Sincerely,

Rod Nilsestuen

Secretary





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March 22, 2006

To the Honorable, the Senate:

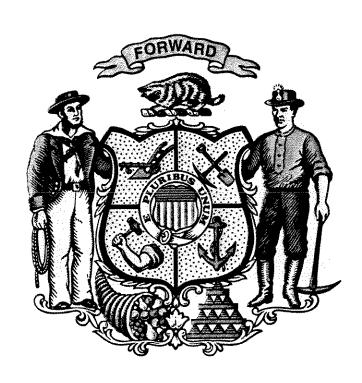
I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint Mr. Fran Byerly to be a member on the Livestock Facility Siting Review Board to serve a term expiring May 1, 2010.

Mr. Byerly will be available to the Senate for hearings and my staff will assist in any way they can.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection



Fran Byerly
Director- Grow Out Production Jennie-O Turkey Store, Eastern Division
34 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street
Barron, WI 54812
(715) 537-9517 Ext. 9295
fgbyerly@j-ots.com

#### Education

Graduated with a B.S. Degree in Business from the University of Wisconsin, Superior in December of 1976.

#### Work History

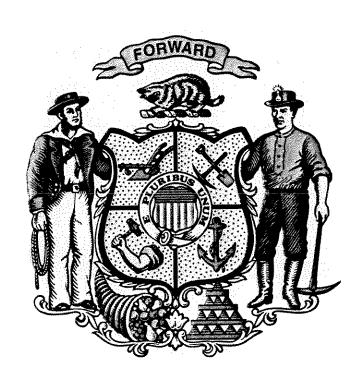
February 1977 – Hired by Jerome Foods for the position of Field Supervisor. Responsible for overseeing the operation of company and contract farms.

April 1982 – Promoted to position of Manager Of Field Services for the Jerome Food's Barron Operation. Responsible for all company and contract commercial turkey production.

April 1986 – Promoted to Director of Grow Out Production for The Turkey Store Company's Faribault, Minnesota, Growing Division. Responsible for the contract finish expansion program and the expansion of company growing farms. Directly involved with all permitting and siting responsibilities. Worked directly with County Planning and Zoning Committees and County Boards in Dodge, Rice, Steele, Olmstead, Filmore, Goodhue and LaSuer counties. Reviewed farm expansion plans with Town Boards where new farms were proposed to be built and also with State of Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

April 1991 – Returned to Barron as Director of Grow Out Production. Hold this position today with the Jennie-O Turkey Store, Inc. Company. Responsible for all eastern (Barron, WI, Faribault, and Altura, MN) operations. Produce approximately 400 million live wholesome pounds of turkey meat. Responsible for a staff of 41 managers and supervisors, and 360 hourly and salaried employees along with approximately 63 contract growers.

- Participate in a variety of industry organizations that promote the livestock industry.
  - Minnesota Turkey Growers Association (MTGA)
  - Wisconsin Ag Coalition
  - Participated in drafting poultry best management practices for the state of Wisconsin.
  - Operate under the most comprehensive WPDES Permit in the state of Wisconsin.
  - Work with Town Board, County Planning And Zoning Committees and Land Conservation Departments to permit new farms and resolve local concerns.



## Livestock Facility Siting Review Board Member Resumes

### Dr. Jerome Gaska, Columbus, WI

Dr. Gaska works exclusively with dairy farms; his largest client milks 1,800 cows. He has worked with expanding farms and has the respect of his clients and the veterinary community. Dr. Gaska has been in practice since 1989 when he graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine and has been a solo practitioner since 1993. Currently Dr. Gaska is a member of the WVMA's Public Health and Food Safety Committee.

### Bob Topel, Waterloo, WI

Mr. Topel serves on the Twon of Portland (Dodge County) Plan Commission and previously served on the town's Smart Growth Committee. In his current position, he is responsible for conducting land use public hearings and making recommendations to his townships.

Mr. Topel also serves as vice-chair of the Foremost Farms USA Board, the largest Wisconsin-based dairy cooperative and processor. He presides as co-chair of the Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives-Minnesota Association of Cooperatives Two-State Dairy Committee.

Mt. Topel and his family recently modernized and expanded their own Dodge County dairy operation to 200 cows in recent years. This modernization required him to work effectively with county and town officials and would provide valuable expertise to the LFSRB.

### Robert Selk, Madison, WI

Mr. Selk is a former Assistant Attorney General for the State of Wisconsin. He is currently an attorney and international consultant in criminal justice reform. He recently served on the state's Manure Management Task Force.

Mr. Selk is an avid trout fisherman and active member of Trout Unlimited.

### Fran Byerly, Barron, WI

Mr. Byerly is a Director at Jennie-O Turkey Store, Inc.

## Jim Holte, Elk Mound, WI

Mr. Holte is a beef and grain farmer in Dunn County, WI. He is a member of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation's Board of Directors, Vice-President of the Elk

Mound School Board, and previously served on the Board of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection. He received the 2005 Master Agriculturalist Award, in recognition of proven ability and accomplishments as one of the state's most progressive farmers. Master Agriculturalists are farmers who contribute a considerable amount of their time, effort and knowledge to their communities and the agricultural organizations to which they belong. Mr. Holte is a graduate of the Wisconsin Rural Leadership Program.

#### Andrew Johnson, Wausau, WI

Mr. Johnson is a conservation specialist with the Marathon County Conservation, Planning, and Zoning Department. He is also the chair of the Wisconsin Association of Land Conservation Employees Administrative Committee.

#### Lee Engelbrecht, Two Creeks, WI

Mr. Engelbrecht is a former dairy farmer who is a supervisor for the Town of Two Creeks. He is also the chair of the Manitowoc County Town's Unit, and has been on the Wisconsin Towns Association Board of Directors for four years.