



**LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2012, 7:15 P.M.  
LAND CONSERVATION CONFERENCE ROOM  
440 N US HWY 14  
JANESVILLE WI**

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Election of Vice Chair
4. Set Meeting Day and Time
5. Approval of Minutes – April 3, 2012.
6. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements.
7. Bills/Encumbrances.
8. Scharine Group – Waiver Request of Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Requirements.
9. Land and Water Resource Management Program:
  - A. Approval of 2012 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Contract.
  - B. Approval of Cost Share Agreement for Joseph Kania, Well Abandonment.
10. Approval of Commercial Lease with Dan Silha, LLC for Land Conservation Department Office Space.
11. Schedule July 2012 LCC Meeting: Date and Time
12. Department Update.
13. Adjourn.



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 25, 2012  
**TO:** Rock County Land Conservation Committee  
**FROM:** Andrew Baker, Conservation Specialist  
**SUBJECT:** Request for waiver of Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Permit requirements  
Scharine Group Inc, Charles Scharine, Section 11, Johnstown Township

Scharine Group Inc c/o Charles Scharine has applied for an after-the-fact waiver of Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Permit requirements for a parking lot expansion for his business in Section 11, Johnstown Township. According to Mr. Scharine, excavation and grading in the parking lot took place this past winter. Staff was made aware of the activity in late February after the majority of the work had been completed. Mr. Scharine was notified on March 5, 2012 that this work was potentially in violation of the Rock County Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Ordinances, considering greater than one acre of land was disturbed and new impervious surface had been added for the parking area.

- Approximately 2.6 acres has been disturbed
- Approximately 0.73 acres of new gravel has been added
  - 0.4 acres drains “internally” within the property based on site grading
  - 0.33 acres drains “externally” based on native drainage pattern to the north east

Staff has met with Mr. Scharine twice on site to discuss this project and the potential for offsite impact and the applicability of ordinance standards, but we do not have the ability to waive ordinance requirements. Therefore Mr. Scharine has requested that the LCC review his request for a waiver of the erosion control and storm water management permit requirements. By ordinance, the Land Conservation Committee has the ability to waive any or all of the Erosion Control Ordinance requirements, including the need to obtain a permit, if the project will have no appreciable offsite impact. Though not obtaining a permit or waiver of permit requirements prior to commencing work is an ordinance violation, there are no provisions in the ordinance that disallow the ability to apply for an after-the-fact waiver of permit requirements.

Photos, aerial photos, topographic and other information will be available at the meeting to make the determination of whether there has been or will be an offsite impact. Mr. Scharine will also be at the meeting.