



**LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2013, 7:15 P.M.
LAND CONSERVATION CONFERENCE ROOM
440 N US HWY 14
JANESVILLE WI**

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Approval of Minutes – December 5, 2012.
4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements.
5. Bills/Transfers.
6. Farmland Preservation Program – Notices of Non-Compliance.
7. WLWCA Conference - Attendance.
8. Resolution – Approval of Conveyance Agreement and Escrow Instructions for the Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement Program
9. Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements – Discussion.
10. Department Update.
11. Adjourn.

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Account Number	Name	Yearly Prort Appropriation Spent	0.0%	YTD Expenditure	Encumb Amount	Unencumb Balance	Inv/Enc Amount	Total
6262000000-63100 ENC	OFC SUPP & EXP R1300434-PO# 01/01/13 -VN#046968	1,300.00	0.0%	0.00	0.00 GE MONEY BANK	1,300.00	200.00	
	CLOSING BALANCE					1,100.00		200.00
6262000000-64319 ENC ENC ENC	TREE PURCHASE R1300434-PO# 01/01/13 -VN#046968 R1300436-PO# 01/01/13 -VN#034612 R1300437-PO# 01/01/13 -VN#030395	7,500.00	0.0%	0.00	0.00 GE MONEY BANK ENGEL'S NURSERY LAURA'S LANE NURSERY	7,500.00	100.00 2,631.20 2,260.50	
	CLOSING BALANCE					2,508.30		4,991.70
6262000000-65321 ENC	BLDG/OFC LEASE R1300435-PO# 01/01/13 -VN#050639	11,425.00	0.0%	0.00	0.00 SILHA LLC,DAN	11,425.00	11,424.96	
	CLOSING BALANCE					0.04		11,424.96
	LAND CONSERVATN, PROG-TOTAL-PO						16,616.66	

I HAVE EXAMINED THE PRECEDING BILLS AND ENCUMBRANCES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$16,616.66 INCURRED BY LAND CONSERVATION. CLAIMS COVERING THE ITEMS ARE PROPER AND HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY FUNDED. THESE ITEMS ARE TO BE TREATED AS FOLLOWS

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- B. BILLS UNDER \$10,000 TO BE PAID,
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Account Number	Name	Yearly Prcnt Appropriation Spent	YTD Expenditure	Encumb Amount	Unencumb Balance	Inv/Enc Amount	Total
6262100000-64316 ENC	TREE PLANTING	2,000.00 0.0%	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	100.00	
	R1300434-PO# 01/01/13 -VN#046968			GE MONEY BANK			
				CLOSING BALANCE	1,900.00		100.00
	TREE PLANTING		PROG-TOTAL-PO			100.00	

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6262800000-64928	COST SHARING	105,000.00 34.3%	36,042.26	0.00	68,957.74		
	P1203760-PO# 12/26/12 -VN#052457			KETSLER, ROY		2,520.00	
	P1203761-PO# 12/26/12 -VN#052458			DALUGE, PETER		1,400.00	
	P1203762-PO# 12/26/12 -VN#039094			KRUMWIEDE, WILLIAM AND BARBARA		3,927.00	
	P1203763-PO# 12/26/12 -VN#052459			VANALTENA, DON AND ANN		6,734.00	
				CLOSING BALANCE	54,376.74		14,581.00
	LWC PLAN IMPLEMT		PROG-TOTAL-PO			14,581.00	

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGENDA NO. _____

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

LAND CONSERVATION
COMMITTEE
INITIATED BY _____



THOMAS SWEENEY
DRAFTED BY

LAND CONSERVATION
COMMITTEE
SUBMITTED BY _____

DECEMBER 28, 2012
DATE DRAFTED

**APPROVAL OF CONVEYANCE AGREEMENT AND ESCROW INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE
PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENTS PROGRAM**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors officially approved the Rock County Purchase of
2 Agricultural Conservation Easements (PACE) Program and adopted the document entitled Rock County PACE
3 Program Manual, identifying and outlining all aspects of Program development and implementation, on
4 January 13, 2011; and,
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6 **WHEREAS**, the Program works to achieve its mission by acquiring agricultural conservation easements
7 (Easements) on eligible lands throughout unincorporated Rock County; and,
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9 **WHEREAS**, applications were submitted by landowners to the Program in 2012, with said applications reviewed
10 and approved by Rock County Land Conservation Department (LCD) staff, the Rock County PACE Council, and
11 the Rock County Land Conservation Committee (LCC), all in accordance with the Rock County PACE Program
12 Manual; and,
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14 **WHEREAS**, application approval by the LCC authorizes the LCD to begin the Easement acquisition process on
15 Properties identified in said applications, subject to the consent of the landowners, as follows:
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17 1. Vanhournout Property - tax parcel number 6-20-103, Town of Union;
18 2. Morton Properties - tax parcel number 6-10-95, Town of La Prairie, and tax parcel number 6-7-387,
19 Town of Harmony; and,
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21 **WHEREAS**, to move towards completion of the Easement acquisition process, each of the owners of the
22 aforementioned Properties (Applicants), Rock County, and Brabazon Title Company, Inc. will sign and execute a
23 *Rock County - Conveyance Agreement and Escrow Instructions - Agricultural Conservation Easement*,
24 identifying and outlining all aspects of the Easement acquisition process, including but not limited to, the
25 following activities, subject to all terms and conditions as stated therein:
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27 1. Opening escrow with Brabazon Title Company, Inc. and Securing a Minimum Title Insurance
28 Commitment of \$15,000 (Title Report) for each Property - County Activity;
29 2. Applicant depositing three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in the established escrow account - Landowner
30 Activity;
31 3. Rock County contracting with an appraiser to determine the fair market value (Appraisal) of an
32 Easement on each Property - County Activity; and,
33
34 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this
35 _____ day of _____, 2013, do by enactment of this Resolution approve a *Rock County -*
36 *Conveyance Agreement and Escrow Instructions - Agricultural Resources Conservation Easement* for each
37 Property, authorizing the LCD to undertake activities identified therein and obligate all necessary funds to
38 complete said activities.

Respectfully submitted:

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Richard Bostwick, Chair

Larry Wiedenfeld, Vice-Chair

Eva Arnold

Ed Nash

Jim Quade

Deloyde Sanders

Alan Sweeney

Fred Yoss

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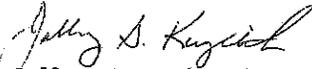
Sufficient funds are in the 2013 budget for the Pace Program



Susan Balog
Sr. Accountant/Assistant to Finance Director

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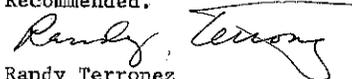
The County Board is authorized tottake this action pursuant to secs. 59.01, 59.51 and 93.73, Wis. Stats.



Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Randy Terronez
Assistant to the County Administrator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Rock County Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements (PACE) Program acquires agricultural conservation easements ("Easements") on eligible lands throughout unincorporated Rock County. This resolution authorizes Rock County to execute an agreement ("Option") with three property owners, identifying Rock County and the property owner's interest in completing the Easement acquisition process on their properties, and also identifying the purchase price of the Easements. Completion of the Easement acquisition process is subject to funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service.