



MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014, 6:00 P.M.
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT
CONFERENCE ROOM
440 N US HWY 14
JANESVILLE WI

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bostwick called the meeting of the Land Conservation Committee to order at 6:16 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Richard Bostwick, Larry Wiedenfeld, Norvain Pleasant, Alan Sweeney, Fred Yoss.

Committee Members Absent: Eva Arnold and Edwin Nash.

Staff Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD; Dave Rebut, USDA-FSA Committee

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – January 7, 2014:** It was noted that item 3 referred to 2012 verses 2014. Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2014 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None
5. **Bills/Transfers/Encumbrances:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Clean Sweep Program – Approval of 2014 Contract:** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the contract as presented, seconded by Supervisor Sweeney. Tom Sweeney reviewed the contract terms. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Land and Water Resource Management Program:**
 - A) **Approval of Cost Share Agreements:** Tom Sweeney reviewed the cost share agreements for this evening's approval. Gerald Frei, Nutrient Management, \$18,200.00; Ken Meyer/Buck Fenwick, Nutrient Management, \$10,934.00; Vielhuber Trust/Stam Vielhuber, Nutrient Management, \$5,756.80; and Gerald Fox /Stam Vielhuber, Nutrient Management, \$4,732.00. **Motion Carried.**
 - B) **Approval-Five Year Extension Request for LWRM Plan:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the request for a five year extension for the Rock County Land and Water Resource Management Plan, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. Tom Sweeney explained the requested extension, noting that a new five year work plan was submitted as part of the State approval process. Also noted was the state Land and Water Board presentation on the efforts thus far in obtaining the goals stated in the aforementioned plan. **Motion Carried.**

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8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements Program**
 - A) **Resolution: Finalizing Purchase of the Morton Agricultural Conservation Easement:** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Sweeney. **Motion Carried.**
 - B) **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements Program – Approval of Real Estate Appraisal Services Contracts for Mary Carlson application:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the Real Estate Appraisal Services Contract for Mary Carlson as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. Tom Sweeney updated the committee on this application and the contract. **Motion Carried.**
 - C) **Program Update:** Tom Sweeney noted that staff will be meeting early next week with a landowner that is interested in the donation component of the program. Also, numerous landowners have expressed interest in the program's purchase component.
9. **Department Update.** Tom Sweeney updated the committee on activities within the department since the last LCC meeting.
10. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Pleasant motioned to adjourn the February 11, 2014 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 6:59 pm, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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