



MINUTES
ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2013, 7:15 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 7:15 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Richard Bostwick, Larry Wiedenfeld, Eva Arnold, Norvain Pleasant, Alan Sweeney, James Quade, and Fred Yoss.

Committee Members Absent: Edwin Nash

Staff Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD; Andrew Baker, LCD

Others Present: Dave Terrell, USDA-APHIS

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – September 4, 2013:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2013 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None.
5. **Bills/ Transfers/ Pre-approved Encumbrances:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program:**
 - A. **2014 Budget;** Dave Terrell from USDA presented the proposed budget for the WDACP. Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the proposed budget as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
 - B. **2013 Claims - Crop Prices;** Dave Terrell presented the proposed crop prices for the claims reimbursement of the program. Terrell noted that only soybeans will be adjusted for the 2013 program. A short discussion took place regarding the market price of non-food grade soybeans. Supervisor Sweeney motioned to set the soybean price at \$13.30/bushel, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
 - C. **5 year Cooperative Service Agreement. This item was deleted.**
7. **Land and Water Resource Management – Approval of Cost Share Agreements:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the cost share agreements, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Tom Sweeney reviewed the Cost Share agreements for Steve Wickingson, Nutrient Management; Roger Wickingson/Steve Wickingson, Nutrient Management; Jeff Arndt/Steve Wickingson, Nutrient Management; Dennis Skelly/Steve Wickingson, Nutrient Management, Ray Johnson/Fenwick Farms Inc., Nutrient Management; Eva Reed Family Trust, Waste Water Transfer System; MacFarlane Pheasant Farms, Waterway System; and Carolyn Polloch, Well Abandonment. **Motion Carried.**

8. **Resolution – Amending the 2013 Land Conservation Department Budget to Offset Costs Associated with the Clean Sweep Program.** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. Tom Sweeney led a discussion on the Clean Sweep Program and the need to increase the 2013 program budget. **Motion Carried.**
9. **Resolution – Support of Clean Energy Choice for Wisconsin.** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. Supervisor Wiedenfeld spoke on behalf of the resolution. **Motion Carried.**
10. **Department Update.** Tom Sweeney provided the Committee an update of Department activities since the last meeting. Chair Bostwick noted that a conflict exists with County Board for the normally scheduled November LCC Meeting. October 30, 2013 at 7:15 pm was scheduled for the next meeting of the LCC. Tom Sweeney noted that the Southern Area tour is scheduled October 10th. Supervisor Wiedenfeld and Tom Sweeney will attend.
11. **PACE Update:** Andrew Baker provided the committee with an update on activities since the last meeting, most notable was the recording of the first Easement under the PACE Program.
12. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Pleasant motioned to adjourn the October 2, 2013 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:46 pm, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist
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