



**LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY JANUARY 7, 2020 7:00 P.M.  
HARMONY TOWN HALL  
ROCK COUNTY AG SERVICE CENTER  
440 N US HWY 14  
JANESVILLE WI**

**AGENDA**

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Approval of Minutes – December 4, 2019.
4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements.
5. Approve Bills over \$10,000 – Moore Family Farm, LLC.
6. Review Bills Paid.
7. Resolution - Approval of the 2019 Land and Water Resource Management Plan.
8. Construction Site Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Ordinances:
  - A. Permit ECSW-2018-16, request a 6 month extension to complete permit conditions for Interstate Secure Properties, Driveway Repair.
  - B. Permit EC-2019-3, request a 6 month extension to complete permit conditions for Chris Wistrom, Pond Construction/Stabilization Work.
9. Semi Annual Report – Attendance at Conferences and Conventions.
10. Authorization to attend the 2019 Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association Conference March 4– March 6, 2020.
11. Authorization for Groundwater Nitrate Workgroup members to attend the Wisconsin Cover Crop Conference February 20, 2020.
12. Update – Groundwater Workgroup Activities.
13. Farmland Preservation Program:
  - A. Approval of Notices of Non-Compliance.
  - B. Approval of Cancelation of Notice of Non Compliance.
14. Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements.
  - A. Approval of Conveyance Agreement with Gregory Vanthournout;
  - B. Approval of Conveyance Agreement with William and Marion Barlass;
  - C. Update.
15. Adjourn.

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## MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 4, 2019, 7:00 P.M.  
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT  
CONFERENCE ROOM  
440 N US HWY 14  
JANESVILLE WI

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bostwick called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.  
  
**Committee Members Present:** Stephanie Aegerter, Rich Bostwick, Wes Davis, Kaelyb Lokrantz, Robert Potter, James Quade, Alan Sweeney and Jeremy Zajac.  
  
**Committee Members Excused:** None  
  
**Others Present:** Tom Sweeney, LCD; Chris Murphy, LCD; and Jodie Surber, County Administrator Department.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Lokrantz moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Aegerter. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes –November 12, 2019 Public Hearing and November 12, 2019 LCC meeting:** Supervisor Davis noted that Robert Potter was not at either of the meetings and should be noted as absent in the minutes. Supervisor Davis moved the minutes from the November 12, 2019 Public Hearing and the LCC meetings with the noted amendments, seconded by Supervisor Aegerter. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Supervisor Davis noted he will be attending the upcoming Fall County Conservationist meeting in St. Point on December 12-13<sup>th</sup>.
5. **Review Bills Paid:** The committee reviewed the bills paid.
6. **Erosion Control Storm Water Permit ECSW-2018-7, request a 6 month extension to complete permit conditions for Brimstone LLC - The Reserve @ Stoney Ridge.** Chris Murphy described area – being the second phase of the Stoney Ridge and noted he is requested this extension. A short discussion followed. Supervisor Davis moved the extension request, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Land and Water Resource Management Program;**
  - a. **Approval of Cost Share Agreements.** No agreements we presented for approval.
  - b. **Approve 2019- 20 Carryover Request for Cost Share Agreements.** Tom Sweeney reviewed the carryover requests. Supervisor Sweeney move to approve the carryover request as presented, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements – Update:** Tom Sweeney provided an update on the easements in the process. O'Leary Family Trust (donation) should be closed by the end of December 2019, and the Barlass Easement (purchase) should close by end of February 2020. Tom Sweeney stated he is still waiting for USDA-NRCS to release forms and deadlines for the 2020 program.

9. **Groundwater Nitrate Pilot Project – Update.** Tom Sweeney provided the committee with an update of the projects status. Also, Tom Sweeney noted the next meeting of the groundwater workgroup is set for Monday, January 13, 2020 at 8:00 am.
10. **Set Dates, Time, and Locations of January 2020 and November 2020 LCC Meetings:** The next meeting of the Land Conservation Committee was set for January 7, 2020 @ 7:00 pm. The Location will be determined at later date. The November 2020 meeting date will be set at a later time.
11. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Quade moved to adjourn the December 4, 2019 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:55 pm, seconded by Supervisor Potter. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney  
County Conservationist

**Minutes are not official until adopted by the Land Conservation Committee.**

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ROCK COUNTY

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT  
WITH DESCRIPTION  
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2019**

12/30/2019

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
62-6200-0000-63100	Office&Misc Exp	P1900588	12/12/2019	US BANK	2019 OFFICE SUPPLIES	63.61
62-6200-0000-63101	Postage	P1900588	12/12/2019	US BANK	2019 POSTAGE	55.00
62-6200-0000-64200	Training	P1900588	12/12/2019	US BANK	2019 TRAINING	45.00
<b>Land Conservation PROG TOTAL</b>						<b>163.61</b>
62-6210-0000-64316	Tree Planting	P1900581	12/12/2019	MENARDS	MENARDS - SHED SUPPLIES	33.16
		P1900588	12/12/2019	US BANK	2019 TREE PLANTING EXPENSE	7.35
<b>Tree Planting PROG TOTAL</b>						<b>40.51</b>
62-6350-0000-62101	Appraisal Fees	P1902657	12/12/2019	PRECISION APPRAISAL AND REAL E	PACE - BARLASS	5,000.00
<b>PDR/PACE PROG TOTAL</b>						<b>5,000.00</b>

I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$5,204.12**

Date:

Dept Head

Committee Chair

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 3, 2019  
DATE DRAFTED

**APPROVAL OF THE 2019 LAND AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department is required by ATCP 50.12, Wisconsin
- 2 Administrative Code, to develop, maintain, and implement a Land and Water Resource
- 3 Management Plan for Rock County; and,
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- 5 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department has revised the 2009 Land and Water
- 6 Resource Management Plan, incorporating new programs managed by the LCD, updated the
- 7 pertinent natural resource information/data, and updated the implementation strategy for the
- 8 protection of the county's natural resources; and,
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- 10 **WHEREAS**, the implementation of this plan can only be accomplished through continued
- 11 cooperation with state and federal governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, and
- 12 the citizens of Rock County; and,
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- 14 **WHEREAS**, section ATCP 50.12 of Wisconsin Administrative Code, outlines a detailed
- 15 approval process which includes; a public hearing conducted by the County, a presentation to
- 16 the State Land and Water Resource Management Board, approval by the County Board of
- 17 Supervisors, and approval by the Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection;
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- 20 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Land Conservation Committee held a public hearing on
- 21 November 12, 2019; and,
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- 23 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department presented the plan to the State Land and
- 24 Water Conservation Board and received their approval on December 3, 2019; and,
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- 26 **WHEREAS**, the state Land and Water Conservation Board has forwarded the plan as presented
- 27 to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection for their approval, which will
- 28 occur after the plan's approval by the County Board.
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- 30 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
- 31 assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 does hereby approve the 2019 Rock County
- 32 Land and Water Resource Management Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

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Rich Bostwick, Chair

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Alan Sweeney, Vice Chair

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Stephanie Aegerter

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Wes Davis

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Kaelyb Lokrantz

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Robert Potter

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James Quade, USDA-FSA Representative

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Jeremy Zajac

FISCAL NOTE:

No fiscal impact in and by itself.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

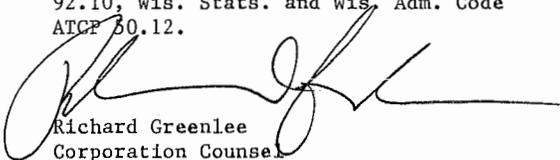
Recommended.



Josh Smith  
County Administrator

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take  
this action pursuant to secs. 59.51 and  
92.10, Wis. Stats. and Wis. Adm. Code  
ATCP 30.12.



Richard Greenlee  
Corporation Counsel

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Through Wisconsin Act 27 (1997-1999 Biennial Budget Bill), Chapter 92.10 of the Wisconsin Statutes was amended, creating a county land and water resource management-planning program. Wisconsin Administrative Code ATCP 50, details the requirement of the Land and Water Resource Management Plan. The original plan, approved in 1998, was one of the five original Land and Water Resource Management Plans in the State of Wisconsin. The original plan has been updated every five (5) years since the original plans publication date. The most current plan, dated 2019, incorporates new natural resource information.

This edition incorporates five natural resource management goals: Protect the quality and quantity of Groundwater; Protection of Farmlands; Protect quality of Surface waters; Improve and protect soil quality; and Protect and enhance habitat quality. It is a 10-year action and implementation plan that emphasizes cooperation with conservation partners in Rock County. The plan must be reviewed after five years by the State Land and Water Conservation Board.

The LWRM Plan is intended to complement and coordinate with existing plans rather than replace them. By focusing on the Rock County Land Conservation Committee (LCC) and Land Conservation Department's (LCD) strengths of conservation planning, information and education, technical assistance, and program administration, diverse interests act together in effective protection and enhancement of Rock County's natural resources.

In summary, the LWRM Plan outlines a comprehensive strategy for the implementation of protection of the natural resources. This will only be accomplished through continued partnerships with governmental agencies, landowners, non-governmental organizations, and the citizens of Rock County.

# Memorandum

**To:** Land Conservation Committee/Josh Smith, County Administrator  
**From:** Tom Sweeney, County Conservationist  
**Date:** January 7, 2020  
**Re:** Semi Annual Report – Attendance at Conventions/Conferences

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Per resolution 06-9A-087, each department head is responsible for reporting on a semi annual basis all out of state training conventions or conferences along with associated costs per event, per employee and of all instances of attendance at all training, conventions, and conferences that exceed costs of \$1,000 per event, per employee. This memorandum is for informational purposes.

Please be advised that no Land Conservation Department employee attended an out of state event or any event that exceeded the \$1,000 threshold/event, per employee for the last half of 2019.

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