



MINUTES
ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2012, 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, Ronald Combs, David Innis, James Quade, Alan Sweeney, and Fred Yoss.

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD; Wade Thompson, LCD
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – December 7, 2011:** Supervisor Combs motioned to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2011 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None.
5. **Bills:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. Supervisor Combs requested further information on the GE encumbrances in the 2012 bills. Tom Sweeney explained each GE encumbrance. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Resolution: Amending The 2012 Land Conservation Department Budget And Approval Of Conveyance Agreement And Escrow Instructions For The Purchase Of Agricultural Conservation Easements Program.** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Wade Thompson explained the details of the resolution and Tom Sweeney explained the financial impacts. Supervisor Combs questioned the survey components of the contract attachment. Wade Thompson explained when the requirement for a property survey would kick in. Other questions regarding the USDA program were discussed. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Farmland Preservation Program –**
 - A. **Notices of Non-Participation:** Supervisor Arnold Motioned to approve the Notices of Non Participations for: Floyd Dominy, Jason Douglas, EFS Farms LLC, EMH Farms Inc, Carol Elmer, Judtih Fleming, James Hodge, JSD Inc, Riesterer Farms, Mike Riesterer, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**
 - B. **Notices of Non-Compliance:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the Notices of Non-Compliance for: Philip Alseth, Kenneth Diehls, David Engler, James Fellard, Robert K Gessert Tr., Goede Farms Inc., Ray Govert, Wayne Gratz, Robert Hiesz, Heth Farms Inc, David & Betty Lee Rev Trust of 2010, G&G Mawhinney LLC, Gilbert and Mary Mawhinney, Norman & Sharon McWilliam, Edger & Shirly Meyers, Donald & Trisha Neal, Morris Nelson, Gerald & Florence Peterson, James & Ninevetch Raymond, Gary & Sarah Strunz, Brian Thatcher, Mark & Kristine Wellnitz, Roger & Katherine Wells, seconded by Supervisor Combs. **Motion Carried.**

8. **Approval of 2012 Clean Sweep Contract.** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the contract as presented, seconded by Supervisor Combs. Tom Sweeney explained that the 2012 contract with DATCP has been reduced by approximately \$5,000 from last years contract. **Motion Carried.**

9. **Erosion Control and Storm Water Management – Request for Permit Extension – Rock Prairie Dairy Project.** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the extension request as presented, seconded by Supervisor Sweeney. Tom Sweeney explained that the construction project was set back by in climate weather in the spring and the excavation contractor was unable to complete the construction of the Storm Water Management Systems prior to the established cut off date. The site has been stabilized until weather permits completion in the spring. **Motion Carried.**

10. **Purchase of Development Rights. This item was skipped due to lack of business.**

11. **Department Update:** Tom Sweeney provided an update on Department activities since the last LCC Meeting.

12. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to adjourn the January 4, 2011 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:10 p.m., seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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