



MINUTES

**ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY JUNE 1, 2016, 7:15 P.M.
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT
CONFERENCE ROOM
440 N US HWY 14
JANESVILLE WI**

1. **Call to Order:** Vice Chair Sweeney called the meeting of the Land Conservation Committee to order at 7:15 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Wes Davis, Anders Dowd, Brenton Driscoll, Kara Hawes, David Rebout, Alan Sweeney, and Jeremy Zajac.

Committee Members Absent: Rich Bostwick

Staff Present: Tom Sweeney, Chris Murphy

Others Present: Dave Hemmerich representing Baxter & Woodman Engineering
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Rebout moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Davis. Vice Chair Sweeney stated move agenda item #9 to right after agenda item #5. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – May 4, 2016:** Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2016 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Driscoll. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Tom Sweeney introduced Chris Murphy as a new staff member. Chris Murphy gave a brief introduction to his background.
5. **Review of Bills paid.** Vice Chair Sweeney asked if any committee member had questions regarding the bills paid for the last month.
9. **Consider and Act on Storm Water Management Permit Waiver – Phase 1 County Highway MM.** Please note this item was moved per agenda item #2. Chris Murphy introduced Dave Hemmerich from Baxter and Woodman the design engineers for the County Highway MM project. Chris reviewed the project waiver request. Murphy supports the request as presented. Hearing no further discussion, Vice Chair Sweeney called for a vote. Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the waiver as presented, seconded by Supervisor Driscoll. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Land and Water Resource Management**
 - A. **Approve the 2016 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Contract.** Tom Sweeney presented the grant for 2016. Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the 2016 SWRM Grant Contract as presented, Seconded by Supervisor Davis. **Motion Carried.**
 - B. **Approve Cost Share Agreements.** Tom Sweeney presented the cost share agreements that need to be approved. Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the cost share agreements presented, seconded by Supervisor Rebout. **Motion Carried.**

7. **Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program – Approve 15 Year Agreements.**
Tom Sweeney presented the 15 year agreements that need to be approved. Supervisor Rebut moved to approve the 15 year CREP Agreements as presented, seconded by Supervisor Zajac. **Motion Carried.**
8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements (PACE) Program Update.** Tom Sweeney presented a status on the two easements currently being considered; Morton and Sayre.
9. This agenda item moved to after #5.
10. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Davis moved to adjourn the June 1, 2016 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:00 pm, seconded by Supervisor Zajac. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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