

MINUTES
ROCK COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, August 11, 2010
2nd Floor Courthouse Conference Center
Rock County Courthouse
JANESVILLE, WISCONSIN

1. **Call to Order:**
The meeting of the Rock County Agriculture and Extension Education Committee was called to order by Chair Richard Bostwick at 7:06 p.m.
Committee members present: Supervisors Bostwick, Arnold, Combs, Sweeney, and Wiedenfeld.
Staff present: Jim Stute, Mary Krisco.
Also Present: Randy Terronez, Brian Buenzow
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the agenda as printed, second by Combs. Motion carried.
3. **Citizen Participation, Information and Announcements:** Brian Buenzow, DNR sought permission to continue the practice of guided, public goose hunting on the Rock County Farm. Larry Jewel and Buenzow organize and supervise the hunts. The consensus of the committee is this is a good service and should continue.
4. **4-H Fairgrounds Maintenance and Contracts:** None
5. **Approval of Extension Bills and Transfers:** Stute reviewed the Extension bills. Supervisor Arnold made a motion to approve the bills as presented, second by Wiedenfeld. Motion carried.
6. **Discussion and Action on Resolution “Support and Promote Eco-Friendly Practices”.** Supervisor Arnold made a motion to approve, second by Sweeney. Motion carried.
7. **Discussion and Action on Resolution “Ammending the 2010 Fairgrounds Maintenance Budget”.** This resolution calls for insulating the walls of the Blackhawk Building and increases the maintenance budget by \$5,000. The Blackhawk Curling Club would donate labor and the money for materials so there is no impact on the tax levy. Supervisor Sweeney made a motion to approve, second by Arnold. Motion carried.

8. **Agent Report:** Mary Krisco, Nutrition Education Program Coordinator discussed a home visitation program entitled "Time for Parents". The goal of this parenting program, partially funded by Rock County Human Services, is to increase school attendance of at-risk youth by improving the home environment.
9. **Department Update:** Stute reported that the 2011 budget is being developed and will be reviewed by the County Administrator in early September. The summer WACEC meeting will be held August 24 in Darlington. The Rock County 4-H Fair is widely regarded as a success. More that \$400,000 was contributed to youth through the animal sales. Rock County UWEX is cosponsoring a EMS farm rescue training in September.
10. **Comments from the Committee:** None
11. **Adjourn:** There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Arnold, second by Combs. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Stute
Crops and Soils Educator