



MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2015, 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 7:19 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Rich Bostwick, Tom Brien, Wes Davis, Jason Dowd, Dave Rebout, Alan Sweeney, Larry Wiedenfeld and Jeremy Zajac.

Committee Members Excused: None

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Davis moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Zajac. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – August 5, 2015:** Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2015 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Dowd. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Tom Sweeney distributed the 2015 Clean Sweep Update to the committee. Tom Sweeney reviewed the highlights.
5. **Bills/Transfers/Encumbrances:** Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. Supervisor Davis requested further information on the Tartan Farms billing. Supervisor Rebout requested more information on the Vanthornout bills. Tom Sweeney provided the information requested. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Semi Annual Report – Attendance at Conventions/Conferences:** Tom Sweeney stated that no employees from the Land Conservation Department attended any out of state conferences or any conferences which exceeded the thousand dollar threshold, per county board resolution.
7. **Farmland Preservation Program - Approval of Voluntary Withdraw for Jeff Border.** Supervisor Rebout asked why landowner is withdrawing. Tom Sweeney noted the nutrient management requirements for participation. Supervisor Dowd moved to approve the request from Mr. Border, seconded by Supervisor Rebout. **Motion Carried.**
8. **Land and Water Resource Management - Approval of Cost Share Agreements.** Tom Sweeney introduced three agreements for approval all of which are for Well Decommissioning; Eric Nelson, Ryan Nelson and Katherine Hermanson. Supervisor Weidenfeld moved to approve the agreements as presented, seconded by Supervisor Davis. **Motion Carried.**

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9. **Purchase of Agriculture Conservation Easements (PACE) – Program Update and Discussion.** Tom Sweeney distributed a written update for the PACE program provided by Andrew Baker. Tom Sweeney reviewed the highlights of the program.
10. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved to adjourn the September 2, 2015 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 7:52 pm, seconded by Supervisor Dowd. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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