



MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2014, 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 7:27 p.m.

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

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD.

Others Present: Kevin Jenkins, Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership.

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Tom Sweeney asked that Agenda Item # 7 follow Agenda Item # 3. Supervisor Rebout moved to approve the agenda with change, seconded by Supervisor Sweeney. **Motion Carried.**

3. **Approval of Minutes – November 3, 2014:** Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2014 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**

7. **Resolution: Support for a Full Environmental Impact Statement and Increase Public Hearings for the Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership Line 61 Expansion:**

Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Dowd. At this time the chair recognized Kevin Jenkins, representing Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership. Mr. Jenkins noted that a few questions the committee asked Becky Haase, Enbridge representative, were not answered. Mr. Jenkins stated that the distances for the shut off values are the following; Rock River crossing set at 2,300 feet on the north bank and 2,270 feet on the south bank, the crossings at Turtle Creek are set at 1 mile (5,280 feet) on the north bank and 4,535 feet on the south bank. Supervisor Davis asked Mr. Jenkins about Enbridge's Community Investment opportunities as they relate specifically to potential funding for the Engineering program at the UW Rock County Campus and the Rock County PACE Program. Mr. Jenkins noted that Enbridge is committed to Community Investment. Due to his time at Enbridge he couldn't answer the questions posed. Mr. Jenkins referred to the Enbridge website for application materials regarding Community Investment. Supervisor Davis asked if there have been any efforts to have onsite exercises for first responders and the County 911 dispatchers. Supervisor Brien referenced how Enbridge Energy pays taxes on personal property to the state. Supervisor Dowd asked that Enbridge Energy should conduct an Environmental Impact Statement for the line on their own, as the communities along the line 61 are asking, which in turn would be an act toward better public relations. Supervisor Sweeney noted that the resolution is a result of citizens asking for this action. With no further comments from the Committee, Chair Bostwick called for the vote. **Motion Carried.**

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4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** NONE.
5. **Bills/Transfers/Encumbrances:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Zajac. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Land and Water Resource Management Program - Approval of Cost Share Agreements:** Tom Sweeney reviewed the cost share agreements for Robert Grenawalt, Waterway; Daniel Braukhoff, Manure Storage Abandonment; Ed Marshall, Stream Crossing; James Lawrence, Diversion; and Loren Bobolz, Waterway. Supervisor Brien moved to approve the Cost Share Agreements as presented, seconded by Supervisor Davis. **Motion Carried.**
7. Moved.
8. **Purchase of Agriculture Conservation Easements (PACE) – Program Update.** Tom Sweeney provided an update on the activities of the PACE program.
9. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved to adjourn the December 3, 2014 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:26 pm, seconded by Supervisor Davis. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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