



## MINUTES

**ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3, 2016, 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, Anders Dowd, Brenton Driscoll, Kara Hawes, David Rebut, Alan Sweeney, and Jeremy Zajac.  
  
**Committee Members Absent:** Wes Davis  
  
**Staff Present:** Tom Sweeney  
  
Others Present: Thor Samuelson, Samuelson Properties
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Rebut. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – July 6, 2016:** Supervisor Driscoll moved to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2016 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Hawes. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Tom Sweeney distributed a copy of a draft resolution that will be presented to the Land Conservation Committee during their September 7, 2016 Meeting. Supervisor Sweeney updated the LCC on the Lake Koshkonong Lake District Annual Meeting. Tom Sweeney distributed information regarding a Surface water quality issue in the Spring Brook that flow through the Carver Roehl County Park.
5. **Construction Site Erosion Control – Samuelson Request for a Waiver from Double Fees.** Tom Sweeney presented the double fee waiver request for Samuelson Properties. Tom Sweeney noted that he supports the waiver due in part to a staff transition within the Land Conservation Department. Supervisor Sweeney moved to forgo the double fees due to the staff transition, seconded by Supervisor Zajac. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Review of Bills paid.** Chair Bostwick asked if any committee member had questions regarding the bills paid last month. **None being heard.**
7. **Resolution: Amending Resolution 16-5a-028 Finalizing the Sayre Joint Farms, LLC Property Agricultural Conservation Easement Assignment/Donation.** Tom Sweeney noted the committee assigned him the task of renegotiating the terms of the easement purchase within the LCC policy limits. Tom noted that Sayre Joint Farms, LLC agreed to a Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) per acre supplemental payment from the County, for a total of Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$17,800.00). Supervisor Zajac moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Driscoll. **Motion Carried.**

8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements (PACE):**
  - A. **Morton Easement Status.** Tom Sweeney led a discussion centered on the status of the John and Kathy Morton Easement Purchase.
  - B. **Notice of Grant and Agreement Award for the Kraus Easement Purchase.** Tom Sweeney stated he was in receipt of the USDA-NRCS grant award from the ACEP-ALE program that will fund the Kraus Easement. The award totals \$145,650.00. Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the grant award, seconded by Supervisor Rebut. **Motion Carried.**
  - C. **PACE Council Update.** Tom Sweeney noted that PACE Council is appointed every five years per the PACE Program Manual. The Committee will need to forward a resolution to county board with its recommendation prior to the end of 2016.
9. **Land Conservation Committee 2016 Tour – Review Itinerary.** Tom Sweeney reviewed the tour itinerary and answered questions regarding the tour.
10. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Zajac moved to adjourn the August 3, 2016 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:23pm, seconded by Chair Bostwick. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney  
County Conservationist

**Minutes are not official until adopted by the Land Conservation Committee.**

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