

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2010 – 8:00 A.M. COURTHOUSE CONFERENCE CENTER - (2nd FL – EAST WING) ROCK COUNTY COURT HOUSE JANESVILLE, WI

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Adoption of Agenda
- 3. Minutes of meetings held Thursday, August 12, 2010
- 4. Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements
- 5. Surveyor
 - A. Information Item: The Dangers of Surveying (Wisconsin County Surveyors Assoc. Newsletter, July 2010)
- 6. Finance
 - A. **Action Item:** Department Bills/Encumbrances/Pre-Approved Encumbrance/Amendments/Transfers
- 7. Housing & Community Development
 - A. **Action Item**: HUD Lead Hazard Control (LHC) and CDBG Housing Rehab Project (ID 007035 and 020650) = \$17,490
 - B. Information Item: Lead Hazard Control (LHC)/City of Janesville Sub-Grantee Update
 - C. Potential Conflict of Interest Yes, None
- 8. Director's Report
 - A. **Action Item**: Resolution Authorizing Recognition of the Life and Service of Rod Nilsestuen, Late Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection
- 9. Division Report: Strategic & Comprehensive Planning
 - A. Information Item: Farmland Preservation Planning
- 10. Committee Reports
- 11. Adjournment

Future Meetings/Work Sessions

September 9, 2010 (8:00 AM) September 23, 2010 (8:00 AM) October 14, 2010 (8:00 AM) October 28, 2010 (8:00 AM)

Non-Committee Future Meetings

September 2, 2010 – (8:30 AM) PACE (Purchase of Agricultural Easements) Ad Hoc Committee – 2nd Floor, Rock County Courthouse Conference Center

WISCONSIN COUNTY SURVEYORS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

July 2010

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A Fungus Among Us

By Kathy Swingle

ast winter was an "interesting" one for Langlade County Surveyor, Dave Tlusty. It started on December 17th with difficulty breathing - getting enough air to be comfortable. A visit to the clinic the following Monday had the doctor ordering an x-ray which revealed something on Dave's right lung. Assuming it was a bacterial infection, the doc gave Dave some medicine and told him to come back for an appointment on January 4th for a follow up.

The January 4th appointment was never kept because on January 2nd, Dave was admitted to a Wausau hospital for what ended up being an 8-day stay. By the time he was in the hospital, he was not doing so great. In fact when his brother came to visit he (the brother) blurted out "You look like ____!" And others who saw him agreed. In the days leading up to the hospital stay, Dave had some nasty symptoms. Besides the problems breathing, he would alternate between chills and sweats and he did not feel like eating or drinking. Part of the reason for his lack of appetite was that everything tasted real salty. So he was not in very good shape. He lost 23 pounds before going into the hospital and another 10 after.



He found out on January 3rd that he had Blastomycosis, a rare disease found mostly in the midwest and occasionally in the southeast of the United States. His treatment of 4 tablets of Itraconazole a day began in the hospital which was followed by 19 days at home on oxygen. In February, Dave was very happy to return to work but was still on medication, reduced to 2 pills of Itraconazole a day upon leaving the hospital, until the middle of July.

What is Blasomycosis and how do you get it?

Blasomycoses dermatitidis is a fungus that produces the spores that can create serious fungal infections that can affect both humans and dogs. It is thought to be found in the soil where there is decaying foliage and vegetation with warm, moist conditions leading to an increase in the fungus. This type of soil is usually found near streams, ponds and lakes.

Again, it is considered rare but the number of cases have been rising in Wisconsin. The web site for WAOW TV 9 reports that the Center for Disease Control has sent a Scientist to Marathon County to assist in improving the understanding the disease after 32 cases of Blasto were diagnosed so far in 2010. Lincoln County's web site reports that county to be number 2 in the number of cases of Blasto in Wisconsin. I didn't see it in print but am guessing Marathon could be number 1. Nationally, blastomycosis occurs along the Mississippi River Valley from Minnesota and Wisconsin to Arkansas, along the Ohio River Valley and in the southeastern United States.

Blasto has been found in all areas of Wisconsin but the number of reported cases rise when you get to the northern and central counties. "While Blastomycoses dermatitidis is widely distributed geographically, the actual area infected with the fungus is likely to be small and may be limited to one rotting log or several square yards of infected soil. Depending on environmental conditions, the area may be infected for only a brief time." (Wisconsin Department of Health Services web

Dave Tlusty after the May Wisconsin County Surveyor's Association meeting in Neillsville.

site) This statement can be reinforced by the experience of Mike Markee, a surveyor with North Country Surveying in Siren who lives in Amery, Wisconsin.

Mike's dog was on a chase and went headfirst into a borough. Mike pulled the dog out with dust a' flying. Later the dog became quite ill so Mike took him to the vet. The dog was treated for Lymes Disease but it didn't respond. The dog was sick about a week when the vet diagnosed the dog with Blastomycosis and treated him for it. Mike was also sick with cold like symptoms. While researching the dog's illness on the internet, it occurred to him that his symptoms were similar. Sure enough, he tested positive for Blasto also. He got the same treatment as the dog (with a dramatic difference in price between his medicine and the dog's) and his condition slowly improved. He missed about 3 weeks of work and it was a month to a month and a half before he could return to doing field work. He believes he and the dog were both exposed to the spores when he pulled the dog out of the borough.

A historical Wisconsin case helps Blastomycosis research

There is a well known case where, in 1984, a large outbreak of Blastomycosis occurred after 2 separate groups made a school field trip to a beaver pond near an environmental camp in June of that year. Of the 89 elementary school children and 10 adults from the two groups, 48 of the 95 evaluated in September had Blastomycosis. Of the 48 cases, 26 of the people had symptoms. There can be a period of time before symptoms are noticed ranging from 21 to 106 days. There were 10 groups that had visited the camp the 2 weeks before and after the 2 infected groups had been there. (The beaver

pond site had also been visited by 2 other groups without getting the disease.) This information enabled researchers to focus in on the beaver lodge and the decomposed wood near the beaver dam that yielded B. Dermatitidis when tested.

The facts above help illustrate why there is not a way to prevent Blastomycosis. It is difficult to diagnose, with symptoms sometimes occurring months after exposure. There is not a simple test to know where B. Dermatitidis is or how long it remains and there is not a way to treat a suspected area.

Even though Blastomycosis is a rare infection, because of the work activities of County Surveyors it may be helpful for them and other surveyors to be aware of the symptoms.

A lung infection may not always produce symptoms, but when the infection spreads, skin or bone sores may appear. The bladder, kidney prostate and testes may be affected. Symptoms may include: Chest pain, cough (may produce brown or bloody mucus), fatigue, fever, general discomfort-uneasiness or malaise, joint stiffness and pain, rash, shortness of breath, sweating and unintentional weight loss. The disease can not be passed from person to person, dog to dog, dog to person or person to dog.

While interviewing Dave, I asked how he feels today. He has his strength back, works out for an hour and a half at least 3 times a week but it was tough when he first started - he could hardly do 15 minutes. Now he is getting ready to do a triathlon with his son. In the triathlon Dave will be kayaking 3.5 miles on the Wolf River, mountain biking 13 to 15 miles and then running 3.25 miles. Makes me sweat to just think about it!

But the biggest change for Dave was mental. After having an experience like that, all aspects of life are sweeter. Dave isn't using vacation time to work as he did in the past, he is using it to do the things he enjoys.

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ROCK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Planning & Development Agency

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Rock County Planning & Development Committee

THROUGH: Steve Schraufnagel, Acting Director, Planning & Development Agency

FROM:

David Somppi, Community Development Manager

SUBJECT:

Recommendations - Actions for P&D Agenda

DATE:

August 18, 2010

RECOMMENDATION – ACTION:

Action Item: Lead Hazard Control Grant & CDBG Revolving Fund - #07035 & 1. 20650 -Staff Recommends Approval

INFORMATIONAL ITEM:

Lead Hazard Control Grant – Discussion with Sub-Grantees 2.

Cc:

ROCK COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT AGENCY REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ACTION ON A HUD LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND CDBG HOUSING REHAB PROJECT

Meeting Date: At	ugust 26, 2010	Applicants ID numbers	07035 and 206	50
Household Size:Number of Children:	4			
Number of Children	2	No. of Children under		
Location of House:To	own of Harmony	Income: \$31,20	<u>()</u>	
SOURCE OF FUNDING: _	HUD Lead Hazard Cont	rol Grant & CDBG Revolv	ing Funds	
TYPE OF PROJECT (chec	ck one):		ASSESSED VAL	
X HUD Lead Grant & 0°			Land	\$_24,000
	X Renter-Occupied		Buildings	\$_98,900
X CDBG RLF Loan: _X	0% Deferred or 3% Inst	allment	Land Buildings Total	\$ <u>122,900</u>
VERIFICATIONS MADE:			Appraised Value	e: \$124.418
X Income >	Title and Taxes		When Done:	
X Income 2 X Insurance 2	Property Ownership			
X House Tested, Has	s elevated levels of lead		MORTGAGES C	OR LIENS:
Is there 5% owner equity in	the property? X Yes	No	First	\$_0
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Disclosure of Conflict (of Interest: Yes	XX No		
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Recommended By:	Neale Thompson			
Recommend Lowest Q	ualified Bid/Total Project	Cost of \$ 17,490	·	
Project Financing: \$*	11,203.33 – HUD Lead Con	trol Grant		
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Planning & Development Comm	nittee
Alan Sweeney, Chair	

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RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF ROD NILSESTUEN, LATE SECRETARY OF THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE, AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

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Kurtis L. Yankee



Executive Summary

On July 21, 2010, Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection, died while swimming in Lake Superior. We grieve his passing and will miss his guidance and leadership.

Rod provided outstanding leadership to agriculture through his work as Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection for seven years and with the Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives for twenty-four years, building it into one of the most respected cooperative trade associations in the nation. Through Rod's leadership during his tenure at the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection agriculture saw advances in bioenergy, organic agriculture, grazing, the dairy industry, consumer protection, and food safety.

Rod resurrected the Farmland Preservation Program through his Working Lands Initiative and brought into the program new features such as Farmland Preservation Planning Grants, Agricultural Enterprise Areas, and Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements, all of which will benefit Rock County.

Rod addressed difficult public issues by inviting all stakeholders to the table with the message to "come with your most honorable intentions to the table and let's explore honestly the best solutions for your interests and for the state."

We wish to give sincerest thanks for the life and service of Rod Nilsestuen to the State of Wisconsin and to give our heartfelt condolences to his family.