



## **MINUTES**

## ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009, 7:15 P.M. LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT - CONFERENCE ROOM USDA SERVICE CENTER 440 N US HWY 14, JANESVILLE WI

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bostwick called the meeting of the Land Conservation Committee to order at 7:15 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Richard Bostwick, Larry Wiedenfeld, James Quade, Robert Fizzell, Ronald Combs, Eva Arnold, and Alan Sweeney.

Committee Members Excused: Katie Kuznacic.

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD.

- 2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Fizzell motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Tom Sweeney noted that item 7B should be struck. **Motion Carried**.
- 3. **Approval of Minutes March 4, 2009:** Supervisor Combs motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
- 4. **Bills and Transfers:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
- 5. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: None.
- 6. Land and Water Resource Management Plan Update:
  - A) Approval of Cost Share Agreements: Tom Sweeney reviewed the proposed cost share agreements for Drew Pearson, Well Abandonment, Louis Minkey, Stream Crossing and Ray Johnson, Waterway System. Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the agreements as presented, seconded by Supervisor Combs. Motion Carried.
  - B) **Draft Plan Status/Update:** Tom Sweeney handed out the final draft of the Land and Water Resource Management Plan. This copy will be forwarded to DATCP, DNR, USDA-NRCS, and USDA-FSA state offices for review and comment. A short discussion on the timetable for final approval of the document and the required public hearing occurred.
- 7. **Farmland Preservation Program Notice of Non Participation:** Supervisor Arnold requested that each Notice of Non-Participation be reviewed. Tom Sweeney reviewed the effected acres and the locations of each participant for the following landowners: Steven Hazeltine; Lubertdale Farms, Inc; Betty Schulthess and Patricia Peckman; and Merlin and Anna Thompson. Supervisor Quade motioned to approve the Notices of Non-Participation as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
- 8. Gypsy Moth Suppression and Program Update:
  - A) **Approval of Contract**. Tom Sweeney presented the 2009 Gypsy Moth Suppression program Grant Contract. Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the contract as presented, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**

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- B) **Program Update**. Tom Sweeney noted that the LCD will be looking to other counties in the future to work at lessening the overall work load of this program.
- 9. **Purchase of Development Rights Discussion:** Tom Sweeney handed out materials from the last PDR Vision Workgroup Meeting. The draft letter of invite to participate on the PDR ad hoc committee and the mailing list for the aforementioned letter. Supervisor Sweeney noted that the ad-hoc committee shall be twenty members with the core of this group being the vision workgroup.
- 10. **Department Update:** Tom Sweeney distributed a letter addressed to the Co-Chairs for the Joint Committee on Finance regarding the Governor's proposed budget and the implications it has on the Department's operation. Tom Sweeney distributed a copy of the 2008 annual report for the MS4 permit.
- 11. **Adjournment:** Chair Bostwick adjourned the April 1, 2009 meeting of the Land Conservation Committee at 8:41p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney County Conservationist

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