



**MINUTES**  
**ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY; JANUARY 5, 2010; 5:15 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 5:15 p.m.  
  
**Committee Members Present:** Richard Bostwick, Larry Wiedenfeld, Eva Arnold, David Innis, James Quade, Ronald Combs and Alan Sweeney.  
  
**Others Present:** Tom Sweeney, LCD.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Combs. Tom Sweeney wished to add Duane Nelson and Geise Revocable Trust under agenda item # 8, Farmland Preservation Program – Notices of Non-Participation. Supervisor Sweeney accepted the proposed amendment. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – December 1 and December 8, 2010:** Chair Bostwick wished to approve each set of minutes separately. Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the December 1, 2010 minutes seconded by Supervisor Combs. **Motion Carried.** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the December 8, 2010 minutes, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None.
5. **Bills / Transfers:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Combs. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Resolution – Amending the 2011 Land Conservation Department Budget for Purchase Tablet Computer and a Computer Projector for Implementation of the PACE Program:** Supervisor Combs motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Approval Office Rental Agreement with DEBCO Investments LLC.** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the rental agreement with DEBCO Investments LLC as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Tom Sweeney stated the agreement is an extension of the existing rental agreement and is based on a month-to-month arrangement for 2011. **Motion Carried.**
8. **Farmland Preservation Program – Notices of Non-Participation for: Russell Hookstead, Roger A. Hunt, Norma Kemp Trust, Charles Vogel, Duane Nelson, and Geise Revocable Trust.** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the Notices of Non-Participation as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**

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9. **Purchase of Development Rights Program -**
  - A. **Tentative Approval of PACE Council Members.** Tom Sweeney presented the list of individuals that have agreed to serve on the PACE Council. Al Sweeney will Act as Chair, Town Representation: John Lader and Don Jones; City Representation: Ramona Flanigan, Edgerton and Duane Cherek, Janesville; Agricultural Producer, Dave Rebout; and Realtor, Fred Hookham. All individuals were members of the PACE Ad Hoc Committee. Supervisor Arnold motioned to tentatively approve the proposed membership of the PACE Council as presented to be effective with County Board of Supervisors approval of the resolution to start the PACE Program, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
  - B. **Update–** Tom Sweeney stated the resolution would come before the County Board of Supervisors during their next meeting scheduled for January 13, 2011. Each County Board member will receive a memo with the changes to the draft program manual. Chair Bostwick asked if any LCC member has heard of potential opposition to the resolution. All Supervisors stated they haven't heard of any opposition.
10. **Department Update:** Tom Sweeney reviewed the highlights of the department activities since the last LCC meeting. Supervisor Wiedenfeld provided the Committee with an update of the WLWCA Conference that was held during December 2010. Supervisor Combs asked for an update of the LCD office space and the USDA situation. Tom Sweeney provided an explanation. The committee requested Chair Bostwick contact County Administration regarding actions needed to determine USDA's intent for future office space.
11. **Adjournment:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to adjourn the January 5, 2011 meeting of the Land Conservation Committee at 5:58 p.m. seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney  
County Conservationist

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