

MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2010, 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, Eva Arnold, Ron Combs, Dave Innis, Alan Sweeney, Katie Kuznacic and James Quade.

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD

- 2. **Approval of Agenda:** Chair Bostwick moved agenda item #10 to after #5, struck item #6 and #8A. Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried**.
- 3. **Approval of Minutes** Supervisor Quade motioned to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2010 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried**.
- 4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: None.
- 5. **Bills/Transfers:** Chair Bostwick stated the bills and transfer would be handled separately. Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Supervisor Sweeney. **Motion Carried.** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the transfer, seconded by Supervisor Combs. **Motion Carried.**
- 6. **LCD 2011 Budget Request Update:** Tom Sweeney provided an update on the proposed 2011 budget request. Highlights now include the potential for the LCD and P&D to share a position at 50% each. This new position for the LCD would be assigned to work on the PACE program.
- 7. Resolution Authorizing Transfer from Land Conservation's ATC Fee Trust Account to the Health Department Pharmaceutical Collection Program: Tom Sweeney presented the resolution. Chair Bostwick stated the Health Department was very happy with the transfer. Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. Motion Carried.
- 8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements –Discussion:** Supervisor Sweeney started the conversation stating the City of Janesville has forwarded a resolution for consideration by the Ad Hoc Committee. Tom Sweeney distributed copies of the staff cover letter and resolution. The resolution is specific as it requests that the Ad Hoc Committee remove lands in the "City of Janesville's Urban Reserve Area" from Eligibility Map, only allowing the acreage that overlaps (approximately 1400+ acres) the aforementioned area and is identified on the High Priority Map the right to participate. The Ad Hoc Committee will be discussing this issue on September 2, 2010. Tom Sweeney distributed the first draft of the PACE Program manual. Supervisor Kuznacic stated the Vision Workgroup should meet with Forward Janesville to discuss the Program and she will coordinate the meeting.

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- 9. **Department Update:** Tom Sweeney reviewed the highlights of the department activities since the last LCC meeting, noting the tree removal component of the Triangle restoration project is complete. The wood harvested will be sold on a bid process. Supervisor Wiedenfeld requested that the LCC meet at the triangle next month to review the project site. Tom Sweeney stated he will coordinate with the Health Department for utilization of their Conference Room.
- 10. **Adjournment:** Supervisor Kuznacic motioned to adjourn the September 1, 2010 meeting of the Land Conservation Committee at 8:25 p.m. seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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