

MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2018, 7:00 P.M. LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE ROOM 440 N US HWY 14 JANESVILLE WI

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bostwick called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Committee Members Present: Stephanie Aegerter, Rich Bostwick, Wes Davis, Brenton Driscoll, Robert Potter, James Quade, Alan Sweeney, and Jeremy Zajac.

Committee Members Excused: None

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD; Tom Brien, County Board Member.

- 2. **Approval of Agenda:** Chair Bostwick asked if any changes were needed to the agenda. No requests heard. Supervisor Driscoll moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Sweeney. **Motion Carried.**
- 3. **Approval of Minutes October 3, 2018 and October 22, 2018:** Supervisor Davis moved the minutes from the October 3rd and October 22nd LCC meetings, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried**.
- 4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Supervisor Davis stated he will be attending the WCA Agricultural Committee on Friday. Supervisor Aegerter reminded the Janesville Winter Farmers Market will be held on the 1st Saturday of the month at St. John's Lutheran Church.
- 5. **Review Bills Paid:** The committee reviewed the bills paid. No comments were made by the committee.
- 6. Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program Approve Cooperative Agreement between USDA-APHIS-WS and Rock County: Tom Sweeney provided an overview of the Cooperative Agreement stating it was for a five year term for the USDA-APHIS-WS to provide field service to the county for the program. Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the Cooperative Agreement between the USDA-APHIS-WS and Rock County as presented, seconded by Supervisor Zajac. Motion Carried.
- 7. Land and Water Resource Management Program Approval of Cost Share Agreements: Tom Sweeney distributed an updated spreadsheet of all proposed cost share agreements to the committee for their review. Supervisor Quade moved to approve the cost share agreements as presented, seconded by Supervisor Driscoll. **Motion Carried.**
- 8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements**. Tom Sweeney provided an update to the committee on the status of the pending easements. Sweeney noted the Donna Morgan Easement is very near ready to close, requiring a final title letter report and updated title insurance. The final piece of the puzzle is scheduling a closing time at Brabazon prior to yearend. The Hargarten easement will be closed in the beginning of 2019 as this easement is federally funded.

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- 9. **Groundwater Nitrate Pilot Project:** Tom Sweeney provided the committee with a short update on this project. Also mentioned was the meeting date, time, and location for the next meeting which is Monday, December 3, 2018 at 8:00 am and held at the new UWEX Building.
- 10. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Zajac moved to adjourn the November 6, 2018 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 7:36 pm, seconded by Supervisor Aegerter. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney County Conservationist

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