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## ESTABLISHING A FARMLAND PRESERVATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE REVIEW OF THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, it has been over five years since the last update of the 2005 Agricultural Preservation Plan and in order for Rock County landowners to continue to receive tax credits the plan must be updated; and,

WHEREAS, State Statute Chapter 91 - Farmland Preservation has recently been amended and the subsequent changes shall be reflected in this plan update; and,

WHEREAS, Rock County wishes to engage in a planning process to help achieve the goal of adopting this Farmland Preservation Plan Update.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board Of Supervisors duly assembled this day of Fibruary, 2011 hereby authorizes and approves creation of the Farmland Preservation Technical Advisory Committee for the period of February 10, 2011 through February 29, 2012 for the sole purpose of reviewing the proposed changes to the Rock County Farmland Preservation Plan Update; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Chair of the Rock County Board of Supervisors be authorized to appoint up to nine individuals to serve on this Farmland Preservation Plan Update Technical Committee.

Alan Sweeney, Chair

Mary Mawhinney, Vice Chair

Wayne Gustina

Absent

Marilynn Jensen

Planning & Development Committee

Absent Phillip Owens 11-2A-28

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#### **FISCAL NOTE:**

Per County Board Rule IV-C, County Board Supervisors who are members of additional special, single purpose or ad hoc committees are eligible for per meeting allowances and mileage reimbursement. Citizen members of such committees shall be eligible for mileage reimbursement only. Any costs incurred are to be charged to the County Board's per meeting and mileage budget appropriations.

Jeffrey A. Smith Finance Director

#### LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to sections 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats., as well as Rule IV-C of the County Board Rules.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch Corporation Counsel

#### ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Craig\_Kratson County Administrator



### **Executive Summary**

Establishing a Technical Advisory Committee for the Review of the Farmland Preservation Plan Update

The current Farmland Preservation Plan was adopted in 2005. Mainly due to recent changes in State Statute Chapter 91 – Farmland Preservation, the plan needs to be updated in order for Rock County landowners to remain eligible for tax credits.

Public participation is important in the planning process. The Technical Advisory Committee will review plan updates as presented by staff in a public setting. The makeup of the Technical Committee will be evenly balanced between rural and urban interests.