



MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY JUNE 5, 2019, 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 7:07 pm.

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

Committee Members Excused: None

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD and Tom Brien, County Board Supervisor.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Davis moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Aegerter. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – May 1, 2019:** Supervisor Driscoll moved the minutes from the April 3, 2019 LCC meeting, seconded by Supervisor Potter. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Supervisor Davis noted a program in Jefferson County that will be held on June 18, 2019 from 4-8 pm. The Committee viewed the Clerks work area.
5. **Review Bills Paid:** The committee reviewed the bills paid. No comments were made.
6. **Land and Water Resource Management Program – this was struck from the agenda due to lack of business.**
 - a. **Approve Cost Share Agreements:** Tom Sweeney presented the cost share agreements needing approval. Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the cost share agreements as presented, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Groundwater Nitrate Workgroup:**
 - a. **Power Point Presentation:** Due to a technical issue with the projector, the Power Point Presentation was not presented.
 - b. **Groundwater Task Force Presentation:** Tom Sweeney noted that Rick Wieterson and he gave this power point presentation to the Speaker's Water Quality Task Force. Both Supervisors Davis and Aegerter noted that the presentation was very well done.
 - c. **USDA-NRCS Grant Application:** Tom Sweeney noted that a staffing grant application was submitted to USDA-NRCS. The grant is three fold in nature, the first component is to assist with the development of 9KE plans for the Groundwater Project Area, the second is to assist with staff changes in USDA-NRCS and the third is to help reduce or eliminate the back log in the EQIP program.

8. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements:**
 - a. **Status of Hargarten Easement:** Tom Sweeney stated the Hargarten Easement was closed on May 14, 2019. Reimbursement process will commence.
 - b. **Status of 2019 ACEP-ALE Applications:** No new information is available.
 - c. **Set dates for the 2020 PACE Application Cycle:** Tom Sweeney stated a press release was issued with the end date for our PACE Program slated for August 31, 2019. Supervisor Sweeney moved to set the application period from June 1, 2019 until August 31, 2019, seconded Supervisor Zajac. **Motion Carried.**
9. **LCC Conservation Practice Tour Itinerary:** Tom Sweeney reviewed the Practice Tour Itinerary and noted due to the weather, some stops made be shortened due to accessibility.
10. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Zajac moved to adjourn the June 5, 2019 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:14 pm, seconded by Supervisor Driscoll. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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