



## MINUTES

ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2014, 7:15 P.M.  
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT  
CONFERENCE ROOM  
440 N US HWY 14  
JANESVILLE WI

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bostwick called the meeting of the Land Conservation Committee to order at 7:16 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Richard Bostwick, Larry Wiedenfeld, Norvain Pleasant, David Rebout, Alan Sweeney, and Fred Yoss.

**Committee Members Absent:** Eva Arnold and Edwin Nash.

**Staff Present:** Tom Sweeney, LCD;

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – February 11, 2014.** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2014 Land Conservation Committee meeting, seconded by Supervisor Rebout. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None
5. **Bills/Transfers/Encumbrances:** Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Land and Water Resource Management Program – Approval of Cost Share Agreements:** Tom Sweeney reviewed a cost share agreement for Bernard Hookstead to implement Nutrient Management. Supervisor Sweeney motioned to approve the agreement as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Resolution: Finalizing the Sweeney Property Agricultural Conservation Easement Donation.** Supervisor Sweeney abstained himself from the conversation by leaving the room. Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.** Supervisor Sweeney returned to the meeting.
8. **Resolution: Finalizing Purchase of the Carlson and Vanthournout Agricultural Conservation Easements and Amending the 2014 Land Conservation Budget.** Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. **Motion Carried.**
9. **Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements Program – Donation Component:**
  - A. **Option Agreement for the Sweeney Property Agricultural Easement – Approval.** Supervisor Sweeney abstained from the conversation by leaving the room. Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the Option Agreement as presented, seconded by Supervisor Rebout. **Motion Carried.**

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- B. **Agricultural Conservation Easement for the Sweeney Property – Approval.**  
Supervisor Yoss motioned to approve the Easement document as presented, seconded by Supervisor Pleasant. **Motion Carried.** Supervisor Sweeney returned to the meeting.

10. **Animal Waste Management Ordinance Review and Updates:** Tom Sweeney led a conversation regarding the need to update the Rock County Animal Waste Management Ordinance. Sweeney noted that changes to animal husbandry waste management methods necessitate the proposed changes. Other proposed changes will plug holes that were discovered. Sweeney will be sending the blue lined copy to the Corporation Council for review.
11. **Department Update.** Tom Sweeney updated the committee on activities within the department since the last LCC meeting. The Construction Site Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Ordinances proposed changes were discussed. The changes being proposed are those required by changes in state law.
12. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Pleasant motioned to adjourn the March 5, 2014 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 8:14 pm, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney  
County Conservationist

**Minutes are not official until adopted by the Land Conservation Committee.**

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