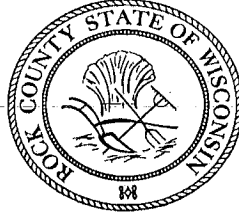


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Agriculture & Extension Education Committee
Wednesday, October 17, 2018
Rock County Courthouse
N-1 Conference Room, 5th Floor
51 S. Main St., Janesville, WI 53545

Unapproved Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Chair Bostwick, Supervisor Driscoll, Supervisor Davis

Committee Members Absent:

Supervisor Aegerter, Supervisor Sweeney

Staff Members Present:

Josh Smith, Tara Hanley, Brian Paul

Others Present:

None

1. Call to Order: Chair Bostwick called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
2. Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Davis moved approval of the agenda for October 17, second by Supervisor Driscoll. ADOPTED
3. Citizen Participation, Communication and Announcements
None
7. Review and Possible Action of 2019 Recommended Budget
Rock County Administrator Josh Smith highlighted the Extension and Fairgrounds 2019 budget recommendations to the Committee. He noted the biggest change from department requests was reducing the Horticulture position request by 25% on the assumption the State will not be ready to fill it within the first quarter of 2019.

Mr. Smith noted his recommendation to fill the 4-H vacancy with a 100% county funded .50 FTE 4-H Coordinator. He recommends re-visiting this if the State Extension rules allow for an equal percentage of time of Positive Youth

Development Educator to be developed for 4-H functions. Supervisor Bostwick suggested a conversation with Chrissy Wen, Area 19 Director, regarding continuing conversations with the State regarding the 4-H vacancy and seeking a Positive Youth Development Educator that can commit to 50% time developing 4-H.

Mr. Smith noted the Extension office relocation and his recommendation to pay for some of these one-time costs with \$8,295 from the Extension's fund balance.

Mr Smith noted a standard year for the County Farm in relation to the budget.

Mr. Smith highlighted the budget recommendations for the Fairgrounds, including \$200,000 to replace a portion of the asphalt driveway and fixing up the Craig Center. Because of the short window of time between Venture Architects Master Plan report and budget, there was not enough time to include the Master Plan recommendations in the budget.

Supervisor Driscoll motioned to approve the 2019 budget recommendations, second by Supervisor Davis. ADOPTED

10. Comments from the Committee

Supervisor Davis questioned if a weather station he was looking at was County provided and said it seemed to be deactivated.

11. Adjournment

Supervisor Davis moved to adjourn at 7:33 p.m., second by Supervisor Driscoll. ADOPTED

Tara Hanley
Rock County UW Extension Office Coordinator

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