

MINUTES
ROCK COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 10 – 7:00 p.m.
2nd Floor Courthouse Conference Center
Rock County Courthouse
JANESVILLE, WISCONSIN

1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting of the Rock County Agriculture and Extension Education Committee was called to order by Chair Richard Bostwick at 7:02 p..m.

Committee members present: Supervisor Bostwick, Supervisor Arnold, Supervisor Combs, Supervisor Sweeney, and Supervisor Wiedenfeld.

Staff present: Randy Thompson, Richard Pederson, UWEX Southern District Director, Bob Arndt, Fair Association President.

2. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda as printed was made by Supervisor Combs and seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. Motion carried.

3. **Approval of Minutes of January 10, 2010**

Supervisor Weidenfeld moved to approve the minutes of January 10th, 2010 and seconded by Supervisor Combs. Motion carried.

4. **Citizen Participation, Information and Announcements:** Randy Thompson introduced Bob Arndt, President Rock County 4-H Fair Association. Mr Arndt expressed his appreciation for the committee's past support. He plans to attend committee meeting in order to build strong communication between the Fair Board and Ag Committee. He looks forward to strengthening the partnership between the County and Fair Association.

5. **Approval of Extension Bills/Transfers:** Randy Thompson reviewed the UWEX and 4-H Fairgrounds bills. Supervisor Combs moved to approve the bills as presented and seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Motion carried.

6. **Resolution Accepting the Multi Land and Water Education Grant and Amending the 2010 Rock County Extension Budget:** Supervisor Sweeney moved to approve the Resolution Accepting the Multi-Agency Land and Water Education Grant and Amending the 2010 Budget. Supervisor Combs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

7. **4-H Fairgrounds Maintenance and Contracts:** Randy Thompson presented the following rental contracts for the committee's approval: (with fees)

March 9th – Dean George Auction Service, \$325.00 + \$60.00 heat surcharge

March 28th – First Annual WI Purebred Swine Sale - \$360.00

April 1st – Badger Auction Service - \$325.00

May 30th – Shriner's Circus - \$500.00

August 7th – Relay for Life - \$260.00

Sept 10, 11 – Glenn Nicholson Motorcycle Swap - \$720.00

Sept 18th – Rock River Valley Wood Carvers - \$360.00

A motion was made by Supervisor Sweeney and seconded by Supervisor Arnold to approve the contracts and proposal fees. Motion carried.

8. **Update on Status of the Sheriff's Garage Relocation:** Thompson indicated that relocation of the Sheriff's Garage to a location near the Community Garden has been included in the phase I Jail Building Project bid specifications. A final decision on demolition versus relocation will be determined by bids.

9. **Executive Session per Wisconsin Statute 1985 (1) (c): Performance Review of Agent Staff with UWEX District Director and County Department Head:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Combs and seconded by Supervisor Arnold to go into Executive Session. Roll call vote: Bostwick – aye, Sweeney – aye, Wiedenfeld – aye; Combs – aye.

A vote to convene in open session was made by Supervisor Arnold and seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. Motion carried.

10. **Comments from the Committee: None**

11. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Combs moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/Randy Thompson, Office Chair