



MINUTES
ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2010, 7:15 P.M.
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT - CONFERENCE ROOM
USDA SERVICE CENTER
440 N US HWY 14, JANESVILLE WI

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Bostwick called the meeting of the Land Conservation Committee to order at 7:15 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Richard Bostwick, Larry Wiedenfeld, Eva Arnold, Ron Combs, Robert Fizzell, and James Quade.

Committee Members Excused: Katie Kuznacic and Alan Sweeney.

Others Present: Tom Sweeney, LCD, Andrew Baker, LCD, and Dave Terrell USDA-APHIS.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Fizzell motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – January 6, 2010:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the January 6, 2010 minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Quade. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None.
5. **Bills and Transfers:** Supervisor Combs motioned to approve the bill, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. Supervisor Combs requested explanation regarding reimbursement for Chad's Taxidermy. Tom Sweeney stated this bill was submitted for venison processing under the Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program – Approval of Damage Claims for 2009 Program presented by Dave Terrell, UDSA-WS.** Dave Terrell presented an overview of the 2009 program participation and the 2009 claims for damage. Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Resolution - Amending Section 28.13 of the Rock County Storm Water Management Ordinance (Chapter 28 of the Rock County Code of Ordinances).** Supervisor Arnold Motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Fizzell. Andrew Baker reviewed the proposed amendments to Section 28.13 of Chapter 28 of the Rock County Code of Ordinances. **Motion Carried.**
8. **Resolution - Amending Sections 27.02(1), 27.05(2)(B)E., 27.07(2), 27.08 (4)(A)3.B., 27.08(8)(F) and 27.13 of the Rock County Construction Site Erosion Control Ordinance (Chapter 27 of the Rock County Code of Ordinances).** Supervisor Fizzell motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Quade. Andrew Baker reviewed the proposed amendments to Sections 27.02(1), 27.05(2)(B)E., 27.07(2), 27.08 (4)(A)3.B., 27.08(8)(F) and 27.13 of Chapter 27 of the Rock County Code of Ordinances. Supervisor Fizzell noted that a grammatical error on line 22, specifically "in the in the", noting one "in the" should be struck. **Motion Carried.**

9. **Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program:**
 - a. **Approval of New Agreements.** Tom Sweeney presented one new 15-year agreement for the establishment of conservation buffers: Don Van Alteena. Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the agreement as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
 - b. **Release of CREP Easements for Mike Costello.** Tom Sweeney distributed a staff paper regarding this issue. Tom Sweeney noted that Mr. Costello has requested termination of the CREP easements to participate in the USDA-NRCS Wetland Reserve Program (WRP). The WRP will allow the entire properties to be enrolled in a conservation easement. The DATCP has agreed to the termination with the caveat, the properties in question are enrolled immediately into the WRP, hence a closing date will be set and all parties to the easements will be present. The Land Conservation Committee has designated Tom Sweeney to act in the interest of the LCC for this purpose. Supervisor Quade motioned to approve the termination of the CREP Easement, seconded Supervisor Fizzell. **Motion Carried.**
10. **Purchase of Development Rights Program - Discussion** – Tom Sweeney updated the committee on activities regarding the PDR program since the last meeting.
11. **Department Update:** Tom Sweeney reviewed the highlights of the department activities since the last LCC meeting.
12. **Adjournment:** Supervisor Fizzell motioned to adjourn the February 3, 2010 meeting of the Land Conservation Committee at 8:15 p.m. seconded by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney
County Conservationist

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