



**MINUTES**  
**ROCK COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY; MAY 4, 2011; 7:15 PM.**  
**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, Eva Arnold, Ronald Combs, James Quade, Larry Wiedenfeld, David Innis and Fred Yoss.

**Committee Members Excused:** Alan Sweeney.

**Others Present:** Tom Sweeney, LCD; Wade Thompson, LCD.

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Quade motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Combs. **Motion Carried.**
3. **Approval of Minutes – April 6, 2011:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** None.
5. **Bills / Transfers:** Supervisor Wiedenfeld motioned to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Arnold. **Motion Carried.**
6. **Farmland Preservation Program – Cancellation of Notice of Non-Participation for Lee Ringhand Trust.** Supervisor Quade motioned to approve the notice as presented, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**
7. **Land and Water Resource Management Program – Approval of Cost Share Agreement for Mark Madson.** Supervisor Arnold motioned to approve the cost share agreement for Mark Madson as presented, seconded by Supervisor Combs. **Motion Carried.**
8. **PACE Program Update:** Wade Thompson discussed the issue of not being able to meet the application deadline for the USDA-NRCS Farm and Rangeland Preservation Program Grant. Each grant application needs to include an appraisal submitted. Working with the appraisers, it was noted that the amount of time needed, was not conducive to the aforementioned deadline. Applications will continue to be processed, and will be submitted to USDA sometime this fall. Thompson noted he is developing workshops to be conducted this summer for landowners who own property in the target areas, as identified in the PACE Manual.
9. **LCC Spring Tour – Set Date and Time.** It was decided by the Committee that the Spring Conservation Practice Tour will occur on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Tom Sweeney will develop the Tour Itinerary.

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10. **Department Update** – Tom Sweeney reviewed the activities in the department since the last LCC Meeting.
11. **Adjourn:** Supervisor Arnold motioned to adjourn the May 4, 2011 Land Conservation Committee meeting at 7:54 pm, seconded by Supervisor Yoss. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Sweeney  
County Conservationist

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