

## ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN Board of Supervisors

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## Rock County Board Chair Seeking Persons Interested in Serving on the Rock County Land Conservation Committee

Rock County Board Chair Kevin Leavy is seeking persons interested in serving on the Rock County Land Conservation Committee.

The Land Conservation Committee shall be comprised of eight (8) members. One member shall be a person who is engaged in an agricultural use, as defined under Wis. Stat. § 91.01(2)(a)1. to 7., which may either be a member of the County Board or a citizen member. Therefore, per statute, the Board Chair is seeking a citizen member that is actively engaged in any of the following for the purpose of producing income or livelihood; crop or forage production, keeping livestock, beekeeping, nursery, sod, or Christmas tree production, floriculture, aquaculture, fur farming or forest management.

The Land Conservation Committee is a standing committee of the County Board which has policy supervision and oversight responsibilities for the Land Conservation Department and County Farm.

The Land Conservation Committee is authorized, per Wis. Stats. 92.06, with responsibilities related to natural resource management such as soil and water conservation programs; erosion control; sedimentation and nonpoint source water pollution; and resource conservation operations and works of improvement for flood prevention for the conservation, development, utilization, and protection of soil and water resources within the county.

The Land Conservation Committee currently meets monthly on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:15 pm.

Rock County residents that meet the requirements above are encouraged to submit their interest to serve on the Land Conservation Committee through the online portal on the Rock County website by 8:00 on 2024. The portal can be a.m. July 26, found at this https://www.co.rock.wi.us/residents/join-a-committee or by clicking on "Residents" at the top of the County's website and following the link to join a committee. This portal can be used by residents to express their interest in serving on any committee that has community representatives.

Questions about the roles and responsibilities of the Land Conservation Committee can be directed to Director Planning and Land Conservation, Andrew Baker, at andrew.baker@co.rock.wi.us.