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Walworth County Land Conservation Committee

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Monday, June 20, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

Walworth County Board Room 114
Elkhorn, WI 53121

The meeting was called to order by LCC Chair Kilkenny at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call - Committee members present included: Supervisors Kilkenny, Hawkins, Grant, and Citizen Member Burwell. USDA/FSA Representative Sue Bellman was absent. A quorum was declared.

County staff present – David Bretl, County Administrator; Michael Cotter, Director of Land Use & Resource Management (LURM); Louise Olson, Deputy Director, LURM; Fay Amerson, Urban Manager, LURM; Neal Frauenfelder, Sr. Planner, LURM; and Joeann Douglas, Recording Secretary.

Also in attendance – Nancy Russell, Walworth County Board Chair; Carl Redenius, Supervisor; and Maggie Zoellner, Kettle Moraine Land Trust

Approval of Agenda – **Supervisors Hawkins and Grant moved and seconded approval of the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.**

Approval of Minutes from May 16, 2011 LCC Meeting – **Citizen Member Burwell and Supervisor Grant moved and seconded approval of the minutes. Motion carried 4-0**

Public Comment – none

Farmland Preservation Town of Bloomfield Plan Map Amendments Request - Neal Frauenfelder reiterated that the LCC had directed them to only honor removal of Bloomfield parcels that correlate and are consistent with the Walworth County Comprehensive Land Use Plan (Comp Plan) and the Bloomfield Comprehensive Land Use Plan, which comprised about 90% of the town's request. The balance of the request included small parcels where the 50% rule could apply and one of two parcels owned by Fairwind Farms. On June 6 a rezone petition from Fairwind Farms was received on the parcel which is 95% in the floodplain. **Supervisor Hawkins and Grant moved and seconded to adopt the modified map which removes the small parcels that have more than 50% in a non-farmland category and the Fairwind Farms parcel that has a rezone petition pending and incorporate the modified map in the Farmland Preservation Plan Revision. Motion carried 4-0.**

Farmland Preservation Plan Revision Plan Adoption – **Supervisors Grant and Hawkins moved and seconded to tentatively adopt the Farmland Preservation Plan Revision with the above modifications, and directed Louise Olson to mail it to DATCP with a certification of application for review after sending to Corporation Council for signature. Motion carried 4-0.**

Langlade County Resolution #36-211 – Oppose the Provisions of AB 40 that call for elimination of PACE and Farmland Protection Conversion Fees - **Citizen Member Burwell and Supervisor Hawkins moved and seconded placing the resolution on file. Motion carried 4-0.**

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Resignation of Roy Lightfield as county representative to the Honey Lake Management District – Michael Cotter said neither the LCC members nor the County Board of Supervisors expressed interest in becoming a representative. It will now be opened up to the public and will be brought back to the LCC in July for informational purposes.

Next Meeting Date – Monday, July 18, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment – **On motion and second by Supervisor Hawkins and Citizen Member Burwell, Chair Kilkenny adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.**

Submitted by Joeann Douglas, Recording Secretary. Minutes are not considered final until approved by the committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting.