

**CONSERVATION, EDUCATION &  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CEED) COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 7, 2015

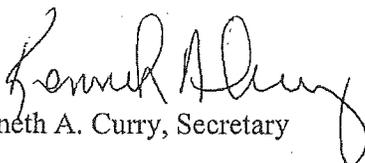
**PLACE:** Room 115, Wood County Courthouse

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Hilde Henkel, Kenneth Curry, Bill Leichtnam, Robert Ashbeck, Gerald Nelson, Harvey Petersen

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Lance Pliml, Dennis Polach, Connie Janowski, Paula Tracy, Shane Wucherpfennig, Tracy Arnold, Lori Ruess

1. **Call CEED Committee Meeting to Order.** Chairperson Hilde Henkel called the CEED meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.
2. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
3. **Discussion and possible action on succession planning for County Conservationist.** Chairperson Henkel acknowledged Jerry Storke's retirement announcement as Wood County's Land Conservationist, effective April 17, 2015. She asked Connie Janowski, Human Resources Director, to talk about succession planning for the department. Ms. Janowski provided copies of the County Conservationist job description, Core Competencies and Key Behaviors and the Wood County 2015 Pay Structure. The Land Conservation staff was present to answer questions regarding the funding mechanism for the Department.
4. **Motion (Nelson/Petersen) to go into closed session at 1:45 p.m. pursuant to §19.85 (1)(c), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of discussing retirement of the County Conservationist.**  
  
Henkel: yes; Curry: yes; Leichtnam: yes; Ashbeck: yes; Nelson: yes; Petersen: yes.  
**Motion carried.**
5. **Motion (Nelson/Leichtnam) to return to open session at 2:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**
6. The CEED Committee appointed Shane Wucherpfennig to assume the interim duties of the Land Conservationist position effective upon the departure of Jerry Storke.
7. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing and updating the Land Conservationist job description.
8. **Motion (Ashbeck/Nelson) to adjourn at 2:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kenneth A. Curry, Secretary

Minutes prepared by Paula Tracy, Human Resources