

AGENDA

Meeting of the West Suburban Conservation Council 7 November 2012

3:00 Introductions

3:15 Council Mission/Organization

- *Mission:* Council members work collaboratively on land management (stewardship) and land protection to achieve regional success. The Council promotes sustainable forestry and agriculture, biodiversity protection, and local economies. The Council recognized the need to integrate people with the environment through education, extension and outreach in order to achieve our conservation goals.

3:30 What does it mean to be a partner/member?

- You are interested in fulfilling the mission of the Council and you want to be recognized as participating in this effort.
- You see yourself as participating in at least one of the topics that the Council focuses on.
- You would like to be listed as a partner/member on the website, which can include a link to your organizations webpage.

3:45 Meeting frequency/Topic Workshops

3:50 Website/List-serve

4:00 Establish the topics that the group will focus on by reviewing and confirming the survey results

- Confirm top 4 topics:
 1. Protecting agricultural lands
 2. Cooperating land protection projects
 3. Open field management and maintenance
 4. Evaluating and implementing deer management options
- What exactly did you hope to focus on with each topic?

4:15 Discuss topics of interest in smaller break out groups

- One group will focus on stewardship/land management topics and the other will focus on land protection/acquisition topics.