



MINUTES
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022 – 9:00 AM
ADMINISTRATION CENTER - AUDITORIUM
121 W MAIN STREET, PORT WASHINGTON, WI 53074

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Natural Resources Committee was held in the auditorium at the Administration Center.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
R. Holyoke	Chairperson	Present	
B. Jobs	Vice-Chairperson	Present	
B. Ross	Supervisor District 19	Present	
T. Matera	Supervisor District 7	Present	
K. Schoessow	Supervisor District 23	Present	
Rick Lanser	FSA Committee Member	Absent	

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Planning & Parks Director Struck, Land & Water Management Director Vogeler, Extension Area Director Sarkady, and County Clerk Winkelhorst.

Others present: Amy Mangan Fischer.

2. PROPER NOTICE

Chairperson Holyoke called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM. The clerk noticed the meeting as required.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. October 4, 2022

Motion to approve the October 4, 2022 minutes as submitted.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE	
RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23
SECONDER:	T. Matera, Supervisor District 7
AYES:	Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow
ABSENT:	Lanser

5. UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE

a. *Discussion Items:*

1. Introduction of Associate Area Extension Director, Amy Mangan Fischer

Ms. Sarkady introduced Associate Area Extension Director Amy Mangan Fischer. This is a short-term opportunity for extension staff to try new roles as a part of succession planning.

Ms. Fischer explained her interest in the program and what her role as Associate Director would entail.

b. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. UW-Madison Division of Extension Reports

Update on the recruitment for the vacant educator position.

6. REGISTER OF DEEDS/LAND INFORMATION

a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Register of Deeds Reports

There were no questions.

7. LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

a. Action Items:

1. Utilization of Tree Fund Account to Support Farmer Attendance at the 30th National No-Tillage Conference January 10-13, 2023 St. Louis, Indiana*

Ms. Vogeler explained that the request to utilize the tree account funds to support six (6) farmers to attend has been past practice. Another option would be Clean Farm Families' grant funds of which there is \$10,000 that could be utilized for this purpose.

Discussion on extending funding to support more farmers; targeting farmers who are on the cusp of adopting these practices, but are not a member of the farmers within Clean Farm Families or USDA Demonstration Farm Network; and requesting feedback from those who attend.

Motion to approve the utilization of funds necessary from the tree account funds to support up to 10 farmers to attend the National No-Tillage Conference January 10 - 13, 2023.

The use of grant funds or additional farmers can be revisited at the next meeting, if needed.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: B. Ross, Supervisor District 19

SECONDER: B. Jobs, Vice-Chairperson

AYES: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

ABSENT: Lanser

b. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Land & Water Management Reports

Update on Clean Farm Families incentive funds and the use of the air seeder and no-till drill.

8. PLANNING AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

a. Action Items:

1. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids Grant for Prairie Restoration Activities in Hawthorne Hills County Park

Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$2,725 from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - County Conservation Aids Program grant to support prairie restoration activities in Hawthorne Hills County Park in the Town of Saukville. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS] Next:**
 11/18/2022 8:00 AM

MOVER: B. Ross, Supervisor District 19

SECONDER: T. Matera, Supervisor District 7

AYES: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

2. Submittal and Acceptance of a US Forest Service Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Forest Restoration Grant for Native Tree Planting in the Ozaukee County Coastal Parks Project Area (Phase II)

Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning & Parks Department to the U.S. Forest Service - Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Forest Restoration grant program for native tree planting in the Ozaukee County Coastal Parks Project Area (Phase II).

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: T. Matera, Supervisor District 7

SECONDER: B. Ross, Supervisor District 19

AYES: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

3. Submittal and Acceptance of a National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration Grant for Automated Fish Identification and Counting at the Milwaukee River Mequon Thiensville Dam Fishway

Mr. Struck provided an overview of the project and the background of the current system being used to monitor the Milwaukee River Mequon Thiensville Dam Fishway. The Department will partner on this new technology with the Village of Thiensville, City of Mequon, and the Southwest Research Institute, an independent nonprofit organization. Total funding requested is \$550,000 of which \$500,000 would be for contracting services and \$50,000 for staff support over 36 months.

Discussion on the funds allocated for staff time and sufficient staff to support this endeavor; intellectual property rights; services included in the contract; and benefits to receiving the data.

Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration Ocean Technology Transition Project for Automated Fish Identification and Counting at the Milwaukee River Mequon Thiensville Dam Fishway.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**MOVER:** T. Matera, Supervisor District 7**SECONDER:** B. Ross, Supervisor District 19**AYES:** Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

4. Submittal and Acceptance of a Wisconsin Coastal Management Program Grant for Public Access Improvements and Wetland Restoration at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve

Discussion on the 60% County match of \$250,000.

Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program for public access improvements and wetland restoration at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park.

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**MOVER:** T. Matera, Supervisor District 7**SECONDER:** K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23**AYES:** Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

5. Bid and Contract for the Hawthorne Hills Golf Course Clubhouse Roof Replacement

Motion to accept the bid from Paul Crandall & Associates, Inc., and approve the contractual services contract, contingent upon Corporation Counsel approval, with Paul Crandall & Associates, Inc., for a not to exceed sum of \$119,943, which includes a 15% contingency to cover any potential change orders, for the Hawthorne Hills Golf Course Clubhouse Roof Replacement project.

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**MOVER:** B. Ross, Supervisor District 19**SECONDER:** B. Jobs, Vice-Chairperson**AYES:** Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

6. Bid and Contract for the Hawthorne Hills County Park Water Well for Multipurpose Parks Maintenance Building

Discussion on contingency and budget.

Motion to accept the bid from Complete Water Inc. and approve a contractual services contract, contingent upon Corporation Counsel approval, with Complete Water Inc. for a not to exceed sum of \$83,572, which includes an approximate 15% contingency to cover any potential change orders, for constructing and installing a drinking water well at the new Hawthorne Hills County Park Multipurpose Parks Maintenance Building.

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**MOVER:** B. Ross, Supervisor District 19**SECONDER:** T. Matera, Supervisor District 7**AYES:** Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow

7. Contract for Professional Services for a Feasibility Analysis for Design and Engineering Services for Fish and Wildlife Aquatic Habitat Enhancements on the Little Menomonee River Corridor

Motion to approve negotiation and signing of a professional services contract by the Planning and Parks Department with Inter-Fluve for a not to exceed sum of \$31,298, which includes a 15% contingency, for a feasibility analysis for design and engineering services for fish and wildlife aquatic habitat enhancements on the Little Menomonee River Corridor.

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**MOVER:** B. Ross, Supervisor District 19**SECONDER:** R. Holyoke, Chairperson**AYES:** Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow**b. Discussion Items:**

1. Update on HH Peters Youth Camp Building ADA Remodel and Hawthorne Hills County Park Multipurpose Maintenance Building Construction

HH Peters Youth Camp Building ADA Remodel - Project is complete.

Hawthorne Hills County Park Multipurpose Maintenance Building Construction - Major construction is going well and tentatively scheduled to be complete by the end of the year. Waiting on the signed contract for the second phase.

2. Update on Planning and Parks Department Capital Projects and Ecological Division Grant Projects

Update on electric gates at Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve and Virmond Park, vehicle lease program, Mineral Springs Creek restoration, Mee-Kwon stormwater management, WisCorps team projects, and Virmond staircase.

3. Update on Community Forest Plan for Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park

c. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Planning & Parks Department Reports

Historic revenue at golf courses and parks.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

December 8, 2022 Meeting to be held at HH Peters Youth Camp.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Schoessow, seconded by Supervisor Jobs to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:23 AM.

Julianne B. Winkelhorst, County Clerk

* FSA Committee Member Items