



MINUTES
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024 – 9:00 AM
ADMINISTRATION CENTER - ROOM A-200
121 W. MAIN STREET, PORT WASHINGTON, WI 53074

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Natural Resources Committee was held in room A-200 at the Administration Center.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
R. Holyoke	Chairperson	Present	
B. Ross	Vice-Chairperson	Excused	
B. Jobs	Supervisor District 3	Present	
T. Matera	Supervisor District 7	Present	
K. Schoessow	Supervisor District 23	Present	

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Land & Water Management Director Vogeler, Planning & Parks Director Struck, Extension Area Director Sarkady, Community Development Educator Roback, Deputy Register of Deeds Van Eimeren, Office Assistant IV Laurin, and Chief Deputy County Clerk Henning.

Others present: Dan Benson - Ozaukee Press and James Perez

2. PROPER NOTICE

Chairperson Holyoke called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The clerk noticed the meeting as required.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 5, 2024

Motion to approve the September 5, 2024 minutes as submitted.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE	
RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3
SECONDER:	K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23
AYES:	Holyoke, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow
EXCUSED:	Ross

5. DISCUSSION ITEM

a. Natural Resources Committee 2025 Budget Review

Mr. Dzwinel reviewed the budget highlights for the departments under the Natural Resources Committee's oversight including:

Land & Water Management Department

Increase in tax levy due to salaries and benefits. Expansion request to increase Office Administrator position to full-time.

Planning & Parks Department

Increase in tax levy due to salaries and benefits and rising operating expenses. Expansion request for upgraded GIS Technician Position.

Recommendation to increase rental revenues, reduce park operating expenses and increase golf revenue transfer to parks operations to offset the operational cost of new parklands and parks infrastructure.

Register of Deeds

Reduction in levy due to increasing expenditures.

Land Information

Increase in tax levy due to increased expenditures. Expansion request for GIS Technician position.

UW-Extension

Slight increase in tax levy due to salaries and benefits. Two expansion requests; shared marketing position and Human Development & Relationship Educator.

Questions and discussion regarding the Planning and Parks and Land Information Office GIS Technician expansion requests.

6. UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE***a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports*****1. UW-Madison Division of Extension Ozaukee County Reports**

Ms. Sarkady provided an update on staffing.

Mr. Roback reviewed Community Development's current and completed projects.

7. REGISTER OF DEEDS/LAND INFORMATION***a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports*****1. Register of Deeds/Land Information Report**

Questions on the volume of recordings and 2023 Wisconsin Act 235 which goes into effect in April 2025.

8. LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT***a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports*****1. LWM Monthly Reports**

Ms. Vogeler gave an update on staffing as well as highlighting events that were featured in the newsletter.

9. PLANNING AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

a. Action Items:

1. Resolution: Submittal and Acceptance of a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Lake Monitoring Protection Network Grant to Support Aquatic Invasive Species Vegetation Monitoring and Education and Outreach Activities on Inland Lakes, Rivers and Streams in Ozaukee County

Motion to approve the resolution for the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Lake Monitoring and Protection Network grant program for aquatic invasive species and water quality monitoring and education and outreach activities on inland lakes, rivers and streams in Ozaukee County. This resolution will move forward to the County Board for final action.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: T. Matera, Supervisor District 7

SECONDER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

AYES: Holyoke, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

EXCUSED: Ross

2. Resolution: Submittal and Acceptance of a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Surface Water Management – Surface Water Restoration Grant to Support Resiliency and Habitat Restoration on Mineral Springs Creek

Motion to approve the resolution for the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Surface Water Management - Surface Water Restoration grant program for resiliency, fish passage and habitat restoration activities on Mineral Springs Creek in the City of Port Washington. This resolution will move forward to the County Board for final action.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23

SECONDER: T. Matera, Supervisor District 7

AYES: Holyoke, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

EXCUSED: Ross

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

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

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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

4. Bid and Contract for Construction Related Services for a Golf Course Division
Irrigation System at Hawthorne Hills Golf Course

Mr. Struck provided background information on the failing irrigation system, the necessity for its full replacement and the bidding process.

Questions and discussion regarding the recommended bid versus accepting the lowest bid and the completion date of the system installation.

Motion to approve the bid from Midwest Irrigation, LLC and approve a contractual services contract, contingent upon Corporation Counsel approval, with Midwest Irrigation, LLC for a not to exceed sum of \$1,163,140, which includes a 10% contingency to cover any potential change orders and associated expenses, for an irrigation system replacement at Hawthorne Hills Golf Course.

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**MOVER:** B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3**SECONDER:** T. Matera, Supervisor District 7**AYES:** Holyoke, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow**EXCUSED:** Ross

5. Resolution: Acceptance of a Donation of the Title to Properties Located at 2202
Stonecroft Drive (Parcel ID 160040900000) and Lot 3 of Certified Survey Map
#2294 (Parcel ID 160041200100), Port Washington, WI for Addition to the Ozaukee
County Park System per §§ 59.52(6)(a) and 27.065(1)(a) Wisconsin Statutes

James Perez was given permission to address the committee by Chairperson Holyoke.
Mr. Perez voiced concern regarding hunting as a permitted activity on the property.

Mr. Struck indicated that there is interest in allowing hunting on the land; however, the land is within the City of Port Washington and gun hunting is prohibited by city ordinance. Limited bow hunting is anticipated.

Questions and discussion on timeline for development of the property and future operational costs.

Motion to approve the resolution for the acceptance of a donation of the title of the properties located at 2202 Stonecroft Drive (Parcel ID 160040900000) and Lot 3 of Certified Survey Map #2294 (Parcel ID 160041200100), Port Washington, WI for addition to the Ozaukee County Park System per §59.52(6)(a) and 27.065(1)(a)

Wisconsin Statutes as the “Ansley Nature Preserve” County Park. This resolution will move forward to the County Board for final action.

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SECONDER: K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23

AYES: Holyoke, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

EXCUSED: Ross

b. Discussion Items:

1. Update on Hawthorne Hills County Park Multipurpose Maintenance Building Construction and Change Orders

Update on plumbing and HVAC change orders, paving schedule and WI-FI installation.

2. Update on the Sugar Maple Nature School Construction and Operations

Update on the building, well and natural gas line installations.

3. Update of Planning and Parks Department Capital Projects and Planning and Parks Department Ecological Division Grant Projects

Update on installation of park gates and cameras and WisCorps tree planting and invasive species work.

c. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Planning & Parks Department Management and Financial Reports

Update on park revenues and operational expenses and the Treasures of OZ Eco-Tour held on September 21.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

November 7, 2024

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Schoessow, seconded by Supervisor Matera to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM.

Lisa M. Henning, Chief Deputy County Clerk