



MINUTES
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 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	Present	
B. Jobs	Supervisor District 3	Present	
T. Matera	Supervisor District 7	Excused	
K. Schoessow	Supervisor District 23	Excused	

Staff present: Human Resources Director McDonell, Land & Water Management Director Vogeler, Planning & Parks Director Struck, 4-H Program Educator Quinlan, Extension Community Development Educator Roback, Deputy Register of Deeds Van Eimeren, Office Assistant IV Laurin, GIS Coordinator Lewis, and Deputy County Clerk Rhines.

Others present: Supervisor Vogel

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. November 7, 2024

Motion to approve the November 7, 2024 minutes as submitted.

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

5. UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE

a. *Discussion Items:*

1. Introduction of Abi Quinlan, 4-H Program Educator, UW-Madison Division of Extension

Ms. Quinlan, 4-H Program Educator, offered a background on her previous

employment and experience.

b. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. UW-Madison Division of Extension Reports

There were no questions.

6. REGISTER OF DEEDS/LAND INFORMATION

a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Register of Deeds/Land Information Monthly Report

Ms. Lewis gave an update on the WLIP Grant, 2024 Orthophotography, and Next-Gen 911.

7. LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. LWM Monthly Reports

Ms. Vogeler highlighted events featured in the newsletter.

8. PLANNING AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

a. Action Items:

1. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a 2024 Clean Farm Families Soil Health Incentive Program Grant for Restoration at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve (County Park)

Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$2,000 from the 2024 Clean Farm Families Soil Health Incentive Program grant to support restoration activities at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS] Next:**
 12/20/2024 8:00 AM

MOVER: B. Ross, Vice-Chairperson

SECONDER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs

EXCUSED: Matera, Schoessow

2. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Regular Urban Forestry Grant for Forest Management Planning, Native Tree Planting and Inventory, Emerald Ash Borer Management and Education/Outreach Activities in Covered Bridge County Park, Mee-Kwon County Park, River Oaks County Park and Ulao Creek Nature Preserve (County Park)

Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$25,000 from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Regular Urban Forestry Grant Program grant for forest management planning, native tree planting and inventory, emerald ash borer management and education/outreach activities in Covered Bridge County Park, Mee-Kwon County Park, River Oaks County Park and Ulao Creek Nature Preserve County Park. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

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3. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation National Coastal Resilience Fund Grant to Conduct Final Engineering and Design for Habitat Restoration of Lands Along County Highway Trunk W and the Milwaukee River in the Village of Saukville for Floodplain and Wetland Restoration (Milwaukee River Oxbow Connection) as Part of the County Highway Trunk W Road Reconstruction and Restoration Project

Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation National Coastal Resilience Fund to support reconnection of the Milwaukee River to historic floodplain, wetlands and oxbow as part of the CTH W road reconstruction and restoration project in the Village of Saukville. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS] Next:**
 12/20/2024 8:00 AM

MOVER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

SECONDER: B. Ross, Vice-Chairperson

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs

EXCUSED: Matera, Schoessow

4. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a We Energies Foundation Grant for Public Access and Habitat Improvements at Ulao Creek Nature Preserve County Park

Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$5,000 from the We Energies Foundation grant for public access and habitat improvement at Ulao Creek Nature Preserve County Park. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

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SECONDER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs

EXCUSED: Matera, Schoessow

5. Submittal and Acceptance of a Grant for an AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps Team(s) to Assist Parks, Trail and Ecological Division Staff with 2025 Field Activities

Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to AmeriCorps to host an AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) - North Central Region team(s) to assist Planning and Parks Department - Park, Trails and Ecological Division staff with 2025 field activities.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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SECONDER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs

EXCUSED: Matera, Schoessow

6. Declaration of the Second Saturday in May as World Migratory Bird Day and Authorization for Ozaukee County to Apply to Retain its "Bird City Wisconsin" Recognition Status

Motion to approve the resolution declaring the second Saturday of May as World Migratory Bird Day in Ozaukee County and authorize the submittal of a renewal application by the Planning and Parks Department for retaining "Bird City Wisconsin" recognition and "High Flyer" status through implementation of criteria as a "Bird City Wisconsin". This resolution will move forward to the County Board for final action.

9:40 AM Supervisor Vogel out of attendance.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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MOVER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

SECONDER: B. Ross, Vice-Chairperson

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b. Discussion Items:

1. Update on the Sugar Maple Nature School Construction and Operations
Update on paving, occupancy, operations, and the addition of a playground, greenhouse, and garden.
2. Update on Planning and Parks Department Capital Projects and Planning and Parks Department Ecological Division Grant Projects
Update on Open Space Plan, awarded grants, park improvements, tree planting, wetland restoration, golf course and interurban trail projects.
3. Possible Natural Resources Committee Considerations from the Development of the Parks and Open Space Plan
Supervisor Ross postponed this discussion until the January meeting.

c. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Planning & Parks Department Management and Financial Reports

Update on golf course and park revenues. The golf simulators are scheduled for implementation on January 6th.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

January 9, 2025

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Ross, seconded by Supervisor Jobs to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 10:56 AM.

Amy Rhines, Deputy County Clerk