



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 5, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

Present	Supervisor Rob Holyoke, Supervisor Barbara Jobs, Supervisor Tony Matera, Supervisor Kurt Schoessow
Absent	None
Excused	Supervisor Bruce Ross

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Land & Water Management Director Vogeler, Planning & Parks Director Struck, Register of Deeds Laurin, Deputy Register of Deeds Van Eimeren, Extension Area Director Sarkady and Deputy County Clerk Hoff.

Others Present: Supervisor Vogel, Dan Benson - Ozaukee Press, Cindy Raimer - Sugar Maple Nature School

B. PROPER NOTICE

Chairperson Holyoke called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. The clerk noticed the meeting as required.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 8, 2025

Motion:	Motion to approve the May 8, 2025 minutes as submitted.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Barbara Jobs
Seconded by:	Tony Matera
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Tony Matera, Barbara Jobs, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

E. UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE

1. Management/Financial/Informational Reports
 - a. University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension Monthly ReportsMr. Roback gave an update on community development programming.

F. REGISTER OF DEEDS/LAND INFORMATION

1. Management/Financial/Informational Reports
 - a. Register of Deeds/Land Information Monthly ReportsThere were no questions.

G. LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

1. Action Items
 - a. DATCP SWRM 5 Year Contract

Motion:	Motion to approve the Grant Contract between the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection Soil and Water Management and Ozaukee County.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Tony Matera
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

- b. Clean Sweep 2026 Grant Application and AcceptanceDiscussion on acceptance of grant.

Motion:	Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Land & Water Management Department to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection for the 2026 Clean Sweep.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Tony Matera
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

2. Discussion Items - Soil Health Initiative Continued Discussion
 - a. Soil Health County Initiative Discussion

Discussed pros and cons of County Initiative for Countour/Strip Cropping or related practices, previous successful and unsuccessful County initiatives. Ms. Voegler stated she received input from NCRS District Conservationist about the initiative.

3. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

a. LWM Monthly Reports

Ms. Voegler provided an update on activities and events taking place within the department.

H. PLANNING AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

1. Action Items

a. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Healing Our Waters Great Lakes Coalition Grant to Host Tours at Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Supported Fish Passage and Coastal Parks Project Areas and Habitat Restoration Sites

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$16,000 from the Healing Our Waters Great Lakes Coalition grant to host tours at Great Lakes Restoration Initiative supported fish passage and coastal parks project areas and habitat restoration sites. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Kurt Schoessow
Seconded by:	Tony Matera
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

b. Submittal and Acceptance of a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation National Coastal Resilience Fund Grant for the Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve Along County Highway Trunk W and the Milwaukee River in the Village of Saukville for River Oxbow, Floodplain and Wetland Restoration as Part of the County Highway Trunk W Road Reconstruction and Restoration Project

Motion:	Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to 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 and Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve (County Park) in the Village of Saukville.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Barbara Jobs
Seconded by:	Tony Matera
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

- c. Submittal and Acceptance of a Packer Foundation Grant for Invasive Vegetation Management and Public Access Trail Development in Hawthorne Hills County Park

Motion:	Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to the Packer Foundation for invasive species management and public access trail development in Hawthorne Hills County Park.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Tony Matera
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

- d. Submittal and Acceptance of a US Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) Great Lakes Basin Fish Habitat Partnership (GLBFHP) Grant for Stream, Wetland, Floodplain and Habitat Restoration Planning, Engineering and Design Activities on Mole Creek

Motion:	Motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of a grant by the Planning and Parks Department to the US Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) Great Lakes Basin Fish Habitat Partnership (GLBFHP) grant program to support stream, wetland, floodplain and habitat restoration planning, engineering and design activities on Mole Creek.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Kurt Schoessow
Seconded:	Barbara Jobs
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

- e. Certified Drinking Water Well Operator Testing Agreement with Sugar Maple Nature School at Hawthorne Hills County Park

Discussion and explanation of permit for well testing and level of testing. Ms.Raimer from Sugar Maple Nature school stated she has been in discussion with the county about the project management of well.

Motion:	Motion to approve the Certified Drinking Water Well Operator Testing Agreement with Sugar Maple Nature School to detail fiscal responsibilities for permitting, operation and testing of the new water well to serve the school and meet required Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Non-transient Non-Community Public Water System permit requirements.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Tony Matera
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow

Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

f. Supporting State Reauthorization of, and Funding for, the Knowles Nelson Stewardship Program

Motion:	Motion to approve and forward the resolution supporting State reauthorization of, and funding for, the Knowles Nelson Stewardship Program. This resolution will move forward to the County Board for final action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Tony Matera
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

2. Discussion Items

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

Mr. Struck provided an update on WisCorps tree planting, the second phase of storm water restoration at Virmond Park and Mineral Springs Creek, County Road W reconstruction project in Saukville, and county park signage.

b. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

Monthly Report

Update on the interurban trail repaving project.

I. NEXT MEETING DATE

July 3, 2025

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Matera, seconded by Supervisor Schoessow to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:39 AM.

Anna Hoff, Deputy County Clerk