



NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2026

1. 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, County Board Supervisor Bruce Ross, Supervisor Barbara Jobs, Supervisor Tony Matera, Supervisor Kurt Schoessow
Absent	None
Excused	None

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Land & Water Management Director Vogeler, Planning & Parks Director Struck, Register of Deeds Laurin, Regional Crops Educator Gartman, County Clerk Kretlow, Deputy Clerk Hoff

Others present: Dan Benson — Ozaukee Press, Assistant Dean and Interim Area Extension Solin, Cindy Raimer - Director of Education of Sugar Maple Nature School, Supervisor Vogel (9:30 AM)

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

December 4, 2025

Motion:	Motion to approve the December 4, 2025 minutes as submitted.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Barbara Jobs
Seconded by:	Tony Matera
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

5. UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE

a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. UW-Madison Division of Extension Ozaukee County Monthly Reports

Ms. Gartman reviewed the monthly report and addressed questions on education for farmers.

Assistant Dean and Interim Area Extension Solin provided an update on staffing.

6. REGISTER OF DEEDS/LAND INFORMATION

a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Register of Deeds/Land Information Monthly Reports

Update and discussion on indexing.

7. LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

a. Action Items

1. WI DATCP SWRM Funds Transfer

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$45,911 for the transfer of uncommitted Soil & Water Resource Management Grant Program funds amongst counties. This budget amendment will move to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Bruce Ross
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

b. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. LWM Monthly Reports

Updates on the tree and shrub payment portal and permitting.

8. PLANNING AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

a. Action Items

1. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Emergency Management Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Implementation Grant for the Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve Along County Highway Trunk W and the Milwaukee River in the Village of Saukville for Historic Riparian Floodplain, Wetlands and Oxbow Habitat Restoration as part of the County Highway Trunk W Road Reconstruction and Restoration Project.

Discussion on the timeline of funding and grants.

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$250,000 for the Wisconsin Emergency Management Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Implementation grant for the Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve Along County Highway Trunk W and the Milwaukee River in the Village of Saukville for Historic Riparian Floodplain, Wetlands and Oxbow Habitat Restoration as part of the County Highway Trunk W Road Reconstruction and Restoration Project. This budget amendment will move to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Bruce Ross
Seconded by:	Barbara Jobs
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None

Abstain:	None
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2. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Brownfield Site Assessment Grant for Site Assessments at Parcels 040281201000 and 040281201200 in the Town of Fredonia

Discussion on allocating funds to a grant that has not been yet received.

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$142,800 for the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Brownfields Site Assessments grant for site assessments at Parcels 040281201000 and 040281201200 in the Town of Fredonia. This budget amendment will move to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Bruce Ross
Seconded by:	Tony Matera
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

3. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Lake Monitoring and Protection Network Grant for Aquatic Invasive Species and Water Quality Monitoring and Education and Outreach Activities on Inland Lakes, Rivers and Streams in Ozaukee County.

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$11,446 for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Lake Monitoring and Protection Network program grant for aquatic invasive species and water quality monitoring and education and outreach activities on inland lakes, rivers and streams in Ozaukee County. This budget amendment will move to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Kurt Schoessow
Seconded by:	Barbara Jobs
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

4. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids Grant for Prairie Restoration Activities in Mee-Kwon County Park and Golf Course

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$2,135 for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - County Conservation Aids Program grant to support prairie restoration activities in Mee-Kwon County Park and Golf Course in the City of Mequon. This budget amendment will move to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Bruce Ross
Seconded by:	Kurt Schoessow
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

5. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Packer Foundation Grant for Invasive Vegetation Management and Public Access Trail Development in Hawthorne Hills County Park

Motion:	Motion to approve the increase of revenue budget amendment recognizing \$3,000 for the Packer Foundation grant for invasive species management and public access trail development in Hawthorne Hills County Park. This budget amendment will move to the Finance Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Barbara Jobs
Seconded by:	Tony Matera
Ayes:	Rob Holyoke, Bruce Ross, Barbara Jobs, Tony Matera, Kurt Schoessow
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

b. Discussion Items

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

Updates on the Mineral Springs Creek restoration, permits for various projects, request for proposal process for county bluffs, and the status of various grants.

c. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

1. Monthly Reports

Mr. Struck reported that golf course and park revenues reached record highs in 2025, and he has received favorable feedback regarding the repaving and rerouting of the Ozaukee Interurban Trail. He also noted that the AmeriCorps teams played a crucial role in several projects throughout Ozaukee County during their tenure.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

February 5, 2025

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Ross, seconded by Supervisor Matera to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 10:07 AM.

Anna Hoff, Deputy Clerk