

GREEN LAKE COUNTY

571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941

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Amended* Post Date:

The following documents are included in the packet for the Parks Commission on March 28, 2022:

- 1) Agenda
- 2) Minutes from 02/7/22 and 03/10/22
- 3) Green Lake Association Year End Report
- 4) Resolution Authorizing Entering into a MOU with the Green Lake Association for a Duckweed Mitigation Pilot Program
- 5) Parks Monthly Report



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> Parks Commission Meeting Notice

Date: March 28, 2022 Time: 3:00 PM

Location: Government Center, County Board Room, 571 County Road A, Green Lake WI

Amended* AGENDA

Committee Members

William Boutwell, Chair

Curt Talma, Vice-Chair

Jerry Specht Charlie Wielgosh Todd Morris Vonn Roberts Michael Shattuck

Elizabeth Otto, Secretary

Virtual attendance at meetings is optional. If technical difficulties arise, there may be instances when remote access may be compromised. If there is a quorum attending in person, the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

1. Call to Order

- 2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Minutes: 02/7/22 and 03/10/22
- 5. *Correspondence:
 - *Green Lake Association Year End Report
- 6. Appearance:
 - Green Lake Association Information on Duckweed Mitigation
- 7. Public Comment
- 8. Resolutions
 - Resolution Authorizing Entering into a MOU with the Green Lake Association for a Duckweed Mitigation Pilot Program
- 9. Current Boat Launch Fee Funds
- 10. DNR Rules for Boat Launch Fees
- 11. Update on Walleyes for Tomorrow Pier
- 12. Update on Wisconsin Heros Outdoors Launch
- 13. Update Bike Trail Maintenance City of Green Lake
- 14. Update from Highway Department on CTH T
- 15. Parks Report
 - Monthly Activities
- 16. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: TBD
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
- 17. Adjourn

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Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted and available through in person attendance (6 ft. social distancing required and face masks required) or audio/visual communication.

Topic: Parks Commission

Time: Mar 28, 2022 03:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

 $\underline{https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83403815345?pwd=WVRZNU5aNnB1bm1xUkNhZFBuVGpXZz09}$

Meeting ID: 834 0381 5345

Passcode: 938435

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Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office. Sincerely, Elizabeth Otto, County Clerk

PARKS COMMISSION

February 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the Parks Commission was called to order by Chair Bill Boutwell on Monday, February 7, 2022 at 3:00 PM in the Green Lake County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The meeting was held both in person and via Zoom. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Bill Boutwell Absent: Vonn Roberts

Todd Morris Michael Shattuck

Jerry Specht (Zoom – 3:12)

Curt Talma Charlie Wielgosh

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Scott Weir, Maintenance Supervisor (3:44); Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel (Zoom)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Shattuck/Morris) to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021 meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.

APPEARANCES

• Jim Trubshaw, GLA – Information on Duck Weed Mitigation

Jim Trubshaw of the Green Lake Association spoke in regard to the duckweed problem on Green Lake, particularly in the Silver Creek estuary. He outlined GLA's proposal to install a test harvesting system located by the CTH A bridge to mitigate the problem. The equipment and maintenance would all be provided by GLA but they are requesting to use county owned land to set up the process. Trubshaw will work with Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow to draft a resolution or memo of understanding to be discussed at the next meeting.

• Todd Morris, Land Conservation – the CD3 System

Todd Morris of the Land Conservation department provided information regarding a boat washing system that has been used in several areas of the state that doesn't require a well for power washing. This would be a solution for Sunset Park and would cost approximately \$35,000.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

CURRENT BOAT LANCH FEE FUNDS

County Clerk Liz Otto reported the total of the boat launch fees \$55,466.80 for 2021 and the carryover fund is at \$237,928.63.

DNR RULES FOR BOAT LAUNCH FEES

Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow stated that the county can't override any of the DNR rules that are outlined in state statute. She advised that the committee check with her in advance with any requests so she can check into it.

<u>UPDATE ON WALLEYES FOR TOMORROW PIER</u>

Todd Morris stated that there is a resolution going before the County Board on February 15 regarding the pier.

UPDATE ON WISCONSIN HEROS OUTDOORS LAUNCH

Chair Bill Boutwell stated there is no update at this time.

BIDS FOR SUNSET PARK RESTROOMS

Parks Director Scott Weir provided updated estimates. Discussion held. No action taken and this item will be removed from future agendas.

UPDATE BIKE TRAIL MAINTENANCE - CITY OF GREEN LAKE

Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow stated she still has not received any information from Attorney Dan Sondalle regarding this matter.

UPDATE FROM HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ON CTH T

Jerry Specht stated that he hasn't spoken to anyone at the Highway Department due to staff changes. He will speak with Highway Commissioner Derek Mashuda regarding additional signage.

<u>UPDATE ON GLCVB BROCHURE TO INCLUDE COUNTY PARKS</u>

Bill Boutwell stated that he is working with Lisa Meier at the Green Lake Chamber of Commerce to be included in several more area tourist magazines.

PARKS ANNUAL REPORT

Parks Director Scott Weir stated there are no updates to his submitted annual report. There will be changes to the salary lines for next year to better reflect the hours worked on boat launches and parks.

PARKS REPORT

• Monthly activities – no updates per Scott Weir

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future Meeting Date: *Motion/second (Shattuck/Morris)* to allow Dick Martens to speak via Zoom. Motion carried with no negative vote. Martens requested that the mitigation project move forward as soon as possible so that the GLA can plan on a spring implementation. Meeting set for March 28, 2022 @ 3:00 PM

Future Agenda items for action & discussion: MOU and/or resolution for duckweed mitigation

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Boutwell adjourned the meeting at 4:36 PM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto County Clerk

PARKS COMMISSION

March 10, 2022

The special meeting of the Parks Commission was called to order by Chair Bill Boutwell on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 10:30 AM in the Green Lake County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The meeting was held both in person and via Zoom. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Bill Boutwell

Todd Morris Vonn Roberts

Michael Shattuck (Zoom) Jerry Specht (Zoom) Curt Talma (Zoom) Charlie Wielgosh (Zoom)

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel; Harley Reabe, County Board Chair

PUBLIC COMMENT

Barry Rogers, Treasurer of Green Lake Greenways, urged passage of the resolution before the Parks Commission. Rogers explained the change order and gave background information on the multi-use path. Green Lake Greenways is funding the total project through grants, fundraising and donations so there are no tax levy dollars from Green Lake County. The final phase of the path is set to start this spring and Rogers urged passage to avoid delay in finishing the project.

RESOLUTION

Resolution Approving Bid Change from R&R Wash Materials for the Multi-Use Path, STH 49 to CTH PP

Motion/second (Roberts/Morris) to approve the resolution and forward to County Board for final approval. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future Meeting Date: Regular meeting - March 28, 2022 @ 3:00 PM

Future Agenda items for action & discussion: duckweed mitigation. Chair Boutwell informed the Commission about Parks Improvement meetings in the City of Green Lake on April 6 and 7. Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow advised that if anyone plans on attending the County may need to provide a meeting notice due to a possible quorum.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Boutwell adjourned the meeting at 10:40 AM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto County Clerk



Dear Green Lake County Commissioners, Members of the Parks Commission and Land Conservation Committee Members.

As County Board Supervisors and Park Commissioners, we at the Green Lake Association wanted to share with you the attached year-end report summarizing findings from last year's Clean Boats Clean Water (CBCW) program funded by WDNR and the GLA. The goal of this program is to keep aquatic invasive species from entering Big Green—the same goal as the Boat Washing Station, which you generously approved this past summer and fall.

To summarize the attached report-during the 2021 season, 2,209 boats were inspected through our CBCW program at four public launches on Green Lake. 62 of those boats visited 13 other Wisconsin bodies of water within five days of coming to Green Lake, the time period where aquatic invasive species are most likely to be transferred. Our research shows that in those 13 other bodies of water alone, there are 12 aquatic invasive species (AIS) that are currently not documented in Green Lake. Our vigilance must continue, lest new invasive species pollute the lake.

We at the GLA expect to be back in front of you this year with innovative projects for your consideration, particularly new initiatives to focus on the duckweed infestation, which has plagued Green Lake for the past several years.

As we kick off boating season, we want to thank you for supporting our efforts. As we have said in the past, Green Lake County, the Green Lake Association and the Green Lake Sanitary District are like a three legged stool - we all must join together to restore and preserve Green Lake for any of us to succeed.

In the meantime, we wish you all a happy and healthy spring.

Sincerely.

Kent DeLucenay, President

On behalf of the Green Lake Association



2021 Clean Boats Clean Waters & Aquatic Invasive Species Risk Analysis on Green Lake

As part of the Clean Boats Clean Waters (CBCW) questionnaire, inspectors ask boaters at the launches if their boat has been used on another body of water within the past five days. This is because beyond five days, aquatic invasive species (AIS) are not expected to survive out of the water.

During the 2021 CBCW season, 2,209 boats were inspected at four public boat launches on Green Lake (Horner's Landing, Deacon Mills, Sunset County Park & Dodge Memorial Park). Of those inspected boats, 62 of them self-reported having visited another body of water in the past five days. The table on page 2 shows those reported lakes, along with their documented aquatic invasive species (AIS) as listed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). Bolded AIS represent species not found in Green Lake. The invasive species currently found in Green Lake are listed at the top of the table for reference.

In summary, 62 boats visited 14 other water bodies within five days of coming to Green Lake. Of those water bodies, 13 were in Wisconsin and cumulatively had 12 AIS that are not currently documented in Green Lake. One boat self-reported having visited the Tennessee River in Alabama within five days of coming to Big Green. While there are many documented AIS in the Tennessee River, it's important to keep in mind that native species in that area could be considered invasive in Wisconsin, making it difficult to assess the number of invasive species that could have been encountered during that visit.

Interestingly, Fox Lake was by far the most frequently reported lake that was visited within five days before coming to Green Lake. Fox Lake and Green Lake both have the same invasive species listed with the WDNR. Perhaps this is a coincidence, or perhaps it's further evidence of how invasive species spread. Unfortunately for Fox Lake, Green Lake was documented to have all of their shared AIS, first.

Often, we think about efforts to protect Green Lake from the spread of invasive species. While this is of utmost importance, it must be remembered that all of our waters are connected. Green Lake is a very popular lake with several documented AIS. By protecting our beloved Big Green we are also preventing the spread of AIS to other water bodies that are just as cherished by their communities.

Table 1. 2021 CBCW, Lakes visited within five days AIS analysis.

Water Body Name	AIS Present
	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
Green Lake (for reference)	Hybrid Eurasian/Northern Water-Milfoil, Purple
	Loosestrife, Rusty Crayfish, Zebra Mussel
Big Cedar Lake	Banded Mystery Snail, Chinese Mystery Snail,
	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Rainbow Smelt, Zebra Mussel
Big Silver Lake	Banded Mystery Snail, Curly-Leaf Pondweed,
-	Eurasian Water-Milfoil, Hybrid Eurasian/Northern
	Water-Milfoil, Zebra Mussel
Flambeau Flowage	Chinese Mystery Snail, Purple Loosestrife
Fox Lake	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Hybrid Eurasian/Northern Water-Milfoil, Purple
	Loosestrife, Rusty Crayfish, Zebra Mussel
Holcombe Flowage	Banded Mystery Snail, Chinese Mystery Snail,
	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Hybrid Eurasian/Northern
	Water-Milfoil, Rusty Crayfish
Lake Mendota	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Spiny Waterflea, Water Lettuce, Zebra Mussel
Lake Poygan	Chinese Mystery Snail, Curly-Leaf Pondweed,
	Eurasian Water-Milfoil, Faucet Snail, Flowering
	Rush, Purple Loosestrife, Rusty Crayfish, Viral
	Hemorrhagic Septicemia, Zebra Mussel
Lake Puckaway	Brittle Waternymph, Curly-Leaf Pondweed,
•	Eurasian Water-Milfoil, Hybrid Eurasian/Northern
	Water-Milfoil, Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia
Little Green Lake	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Hybrid Eurasian/Northern Water-Milfoil, Yellow
	Iris
Petenwell Lake	Cylindro, Eurasian Water-Milfoil, Zebra Mussel
Point Flowage	Banded Mystery Snail, Chinese Mystery Snail
Tennessee River (Alabama)	White Catfish, Bigclaw Crayfish, Rusty
	Crayfish, White River Crayfish, Egeria densa,
	Curly leaf pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Hydrilla, Spiny leaf naiad, Alligator weed,
	Asian spiderwort, Pale yellow iris, Uruguayan
	water primrose, Watercress, Dotted
	duckweed, Water hyacinth, several carp
	species
Twin Lake	Chinese Mystery Snail, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Hybrid Cattail
Wisconsin River	Curly-Leaf Pondweed, Eurasian Water-Milfoil,
	Zebra Mussel

RESOLUTION NUMBER -2022

Resolution Authorizing Entering into a MOU with the Green Lake Association for a Duckweed Mitigation Pilot Program

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting on this 19th day of April 2022, does resolve as follows:

- 1 WHEREAS, The Green Lake Association has presented a plan for a pilot project to
- 2 harvest duckweed on Big Green Lake; and,
- 3 **WHEREAS**, The Green Lake Association reports that the presence of duckweed is the
- 4 number one complaint it has received over the past three years and that the duckweed
- 5 problem has been steadily getting worse over the last five years; and,
- 6 **WHEREAS**, The Green Lake Association has two concurrent duckweed mitigation
- 7 strategies: (1) prevent duckweed flow and (2) control duckweed growth; and,
- 8 Fiscal note is not applicable.
- 9 Majority vote is needed to pass.

Roll Call on Resolution No2022	Submitted by Parks Commission Committee
Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain Passed and Adopted/Rejected this 19th day of April, 2022.	William Boutwell, Chair
y 	Curt Talma
County Board Chairman	Charlie Wielgosh
ATTEST: County Clerk Approve as to Form:	Todd Morris
Corporation Counsel	Jerry Specht
Vonn Roberts	Michael Shattuck

- 10 **WHEREAS**, The Green Lake Association plans put its mitigation strategies in effect
- beginning in April 2022; and,
- 12 **WHEREAS**, The Green Lake Association has a duckweed harvester that it can use in
- its mitigation strategies but needs the County's consent to install it on-site at Sunset
- 14 Park.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Conservationist and County
- 16 Administrator may execute the attached Memorandum of Understanding after final
- approval by the Corporation Counsel.
- 18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, all County Departments that may become involved with
- permitting for the stationary harvester shall assist the Green Lake Association with its
- 20 duckweed mitigation strategy.
- 21 **FISCAL NOTE:** No fiscal impact to the County.

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Zobel Park

Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

Sunset Park

Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

Twin Lakes Park

2 TV's and 2 tires removed 03/16/22 Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

Spring Valley Park

Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

Dodge Memorial Park

Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

Lake Maria Park

Town of Manchester's Lake Maria ordinance signage and fire number signage post were broken by vehicle (tire tracks leading to post and over damaged area) informed Town Chair and delivered signage along with remains of post to Manchester Town Hall Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

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Spring Lake Park

Scheduled Maintenance performed General Maintenance performed

Seasonal equipment maintenance continues
HR Department informed to start recruitment of 2 Summer Parks LTE positions along with 1 Summer
Maint. position 03/18/22

Submitted by:

Scott A. Weir

Maintenance Director/Parks & Recreation Director

Green Lake County