GREEN LAKE COUNTY LAND, WATER, PARKS & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Thursday, March 13, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bob Schweder called the meeting of the Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee to order at 9:00am in the Green Lake County Government Center, County Board Room #0902, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. Public access was available via remote programming as well as in person. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Bill Boutwell (remote), Nita Krenz, Bob Schweder, David Albright, Nancy Hiestand

Absent: Mike Skivington

Also Present: Karissa Block, Deputy County Clerk; Todd Morris, County Conservationist; Scott Weir,

Maintenance Supervisor; Jason Jerome, Interim County Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES LIMIT) - none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Krenz/Albright) to approve the minutes of the 2/13/2025 Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee Meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- County Library Services Annual Report Discussion held. Motion/second (Hiestand/Krenz) to
 approve the County Library Services Annual Report and send to County Board. Motion carried with no
 negative vote.
- Land Conservation –Well water testing will start in April. The targeted areas are Town of Kingston and Town of Princeton. Morris also went over his annual. Discussion held. *Motion/second* (*Albright/Hiestand*) to approve the Land Conservation Annual Report and send to County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.
- Parks Weir went over his monthly report and annual report. Discussion held. *Motion/second* (*Hiestand/Krenz*) to approve the Parks Annual Report and send to County Board.

ANNUAL REPORTS

UW-Extension

Brandon Springer, 4-H Educator went over his report. In the 2023-2024 4-H year there was 185 youth enrolled, 46 adults, 29 first year 4-H'ers and 57 first generation 4-H'ers. Regional Livestock Educator, Adam Hartfiel covered his portion of the report. Hartfiel has lots of programs and workshops coming up in the next few months. Regional Crops Educator, Natasha Paris covered her portion of the report. Paris thanked the committee for their support over the years. Paris shared that she will be starting a new job in the upcoming week, however, she will still be in the area.

Motion/second (Krenz/Hiestand) to approve the UW-Extension Annual Report and send to County Board. Motion carried with no negative report.

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFER

• **UW-Extension-** *Motion/second* (*Hiestand/Albright*) to approve the Budget Line Item Transfer. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING QUOTES FOR NEW LAWN MOWER

Quotes for the new lawn mower can be found in the packet. Discussion held. *Motion/second* (*Hiestand/Albright*) to approve the Integrity Lawn Service & Supply quote. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DISCUSSION ON PARKS & RECTEATION ACTION PLAN 2025-2030

Discussion held on possible handicap ramps. *Motion/second* (*Hiestand/Krenz*) to allow Weir to get an estimate to put in a handicap path from the parking lot to the water at the parks. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DISCUSSION ON SOIL AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN FUNDING

The map found in the packet shows the previous projects in black and the 2025 projects in red. For 2025 there are 13 total applications. Discussion held.

DISCUSSION ON COUNTY CONSERVATION STAFFING STATE BUDGET REQUEST

The County Conservation Staffing Budget Allocation is 20.2 million dollars. Morris will meet with Corporation Counsel and get this written in a resolution for the next scheduled meeting.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- a. Next meeting date -4/10/2025 @ 9:00AM
- b. Future agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Chair Schweder adjourned the meeting at 9:49am.

Respectfully submitted,

Karissa Block Deputy County Clerk