

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY  
LAND, WATER, PARKS & COMMUNITY  
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, April 10, 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, Nita Krenz, Bob Schweder, David Albright, Nancy Hiestand, Mike Skivington

Absent:

Also Present: **Karissa Block**, Deputy County Clerk; **Todd Morris**, County Conservationist; **Scott Weir**, Maintenance Supervisor; **Jason Jerome**, Interim County Administrator

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion/second (Boutwell/Skivington)* to approve the minutes of the 3/13/2025 Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee Meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES LIMIT)**

Bur Zeratsky, N5602 County Rd A, Green Lake, WI – Commented regarding Item #7, Resolution Relating to Support of Reauthorization of State Funding for Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY 4-H THRIVING MODEL – SPECIAL REPORT BY BRANDON SPRINGER**

Springer gave a presentation regarding Green Lake County 4-H. The committee thanked Springer for all his hard work.

**RESOLUTIONS**

- Support for Increasing Base Funding for County Conservation Staffing to \$20.02 Million

*Motion/second (Skivington/Boutwell)* to approve the resolution and forward to County Board for final approval. Motion carried with no negative vote. Discussion held.

- In Support of Reauthorization of State Funding for Knowles Nelson Stewardship Program

Skivington shared two important links with the committee. *Motion/second (Boutwell/Hiestand)* to approve the resolution and forward to County Board for final approval. Motion carried with no negative vote.

- Relating to WI DNR Surface Water Grant for Twin Lakes AIS Population Management

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

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- **UW-Extension** – Reports can be found in the packet. No discussion.

- **Land Conservation** – In March, some of the Land Conservation staff attended the Land & Water Conference in Green Bay. They also attended the Sauk County professional network pop-up event.
- **Parks** – Piers will be put in soon. No update on the Kayak launches.

#### **UPDATE ON VACANT EXTENSION EDUCATOR POSITIONS AND VISIONING PROCESS**

There will be an Extension Community Needs Forum meeting held on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00pm in the Green Lake County Extension Training room at the Government Center to discuss this topic further. This will be a unofficial meeting with no action taken.

#### **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

- a. Next meeting date – 5/08/2025 @ 9:00AM
- b. Future agenda items for action & discussion

#### **ADJOURN**

Chair Schweder adjourned the meeting at 9:44am

Respectfully submitted,

*Karissa Block*

Karissa Block Deputy County Clerk