

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY
LAND, WATER, PARKS & COMMUNITY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 12, 2026**

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: Bob Schweder, Bill Boutwell, Mike Skivington, David Albright, Nita Krenz

Absent: Nancy Hiestand

Also Present: Karissa Rohde, Deputy County Clerk; Todd Morris, County Conservationist; Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Supervisor; Jason Jerome, County Manager; Grace Brown, Fair Coordinator; Pat Malone, Community Development Educator; Adam Hartfiel, Regional Livestock Educator

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT) - none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Boutwell/Skivington) to approve the minutes of the 1/08/2026 Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee Meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.

Chair Bob Schweder moved item #9 to #6 on the agenda

ANNUAL REPORT

- **UW – Extension** – Annual Report can be found in the packet. Discussion held. ***Motion/second (Boutwell/Albright)*** to accept the annual report and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative votes.

APPEARANCES

- Trevor Pike, Wildlife Specialist – 2025 Harvest waiver exemption and 2025 Claims approvals

Discussion held. ***Motion/second (Skivington/Boutwell)*** to approve the waiver exemption for Joe Hoinacki. Motion carried with no negative vote. ***Motion/second (Skivington/Boutwell)*** to approve the 2025 Claims. Motion carried with no negative vote.

RESOLUTION

- **Resolution in opposition to Wisconsin Assembly Bill 1033**

This bill was just passed on Tuesday, February 10th. Discussion held. ***Motion/second (Boutwell/Krenz)*** to approve the resolution and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- **Land Conservation** – Report found in the packet.
- **Parks** – Department is working on equipment and snow removal. The Parks Survey is up and running on the county website for the community to give input on what they like or don't like at our county parks.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EDUCATION TRAILER

The education trailer is already budgeted for between Land Conservation and Land Information. This trailer would be used for community events, field days and school events. Morris got quotes from I39 Graphics, Big O's Trailers and Badger Trailer. They are most interested in the trailer from I39 with a quote of \$11,850. This trailer has a Beavertail Ramp Door which makes it handicap assessable.

Motion/second (Boutwell/Skivington) to allow Morris to move forward with purchasing the I39 trailer unless he gets a lower quote for another trailer that is handicap assessable. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COUNTY PARK IMPROVEMENTS DISCUSSION

Van Meel will work on applying for grants to make improvements to Lake Maria.

Boutwell thanked Van Meel for all his help and hard work with the parks.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- a. Next meeting date – March 12th, 2026
- b. Future agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Chair Schweder adjourned the meeting at 9:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karissa Rohde
Deputy County Clerk