



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941

Original Post Date: 4/7/2026

Amended Post Date:

The following documents are included in the packet for the Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee meeting on April 9th, 2026.

- 1) Agenda
- 2) Minutes: 03/12/2026
- 3) Resolution
 - Resolution Creating County Memorial Tree Program
- 4) Department Reports
 - Land Conservation



GREEN LAKE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

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Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee Meeting Notice

Date: Thursday, April 9th, 2026 Time: 9:00 AM
The Green Lake County Government Center, County Board Room
571 County Road A, Green Lake WI

AGENDA

Committee Members

Bob Schweder – Chair
Mike Skivington – Vice Chair
Nancy Hiestand
Nita Krenz
Bill Boutwell
David Albright
Wes Eisenga, CASCC Rep.

Karissa Rohde, 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.

This agenda gives notice of a meeting of the Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee. It is possible that individual members of other governing bodies of Green Lake County government may attend this meeting for informative purposes. Members of the Green Lake County Board of Supervisors or its committees may be present for informative purposes but will not take any formal action. A majority or a negative quorum of the members of the Green Lake County Board of Supervisors and/or any of its committees may be present at this meeting. See State ex rel. Badke v. Vill. Bd. of Vill. of Greendale, 173 Wis.2d 553, 578, 494 N.W. 2d 408 (1993).

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment (3 minute limit)
5. Approve Minutes: 3/12/2026
6. Resolution
 - Resolution Creating County Memorial Tree Program
7. Department Reports
 - Land Conservation
 - Parks
8. Parks pit bathroom receptacles
9. County Park improvements discussion
10. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: May 14th, 2026
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
11. Adjourn

This meeting will be conducted and available through in person attendance or audio/visual communication. Remote access can be obtained through the following link:

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Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office.
Samantha Stobbe, County Clerk

Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or audio assistance, should contact the County Clerk's Office, 294-4005, not later than 3 days before date of the meeting.

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bob Schweder called the meeting of the Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee to order at 9:00AM on Thursday, March 12, 2026 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
Nancy Hiestand

Absent: Nita Krenz

Other County Employees Present: Samantha Stobbe, Deputy County Clerk; Todd Morris, County Conservationist; Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Supervisor

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT) - none

Chairman Bob Schweder moved up the Library Department Reports so they could be excused afterwards.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- **County Library Services-** Multiple Libraries gave an update on the happenings in their specific libraries. It was stated that the Winnefox Library contract is coming due soon. Discussion held.

RESOLUTION

- **Relating to Governmental Responsibility for Targeted Runoff Management Grant**

Todd Morris, County Conservationist, gave an overview of the resolution.

Motion/second (Boutwell/Hiestand) to approve the resolution and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Boutwell/Albright) to approve the minutes of the 02/12/2026 Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee Meeting. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- **Land Conservation** – Report found in the packet. Arbor Day event sign up is now available.
- **Parks** – Green Lake Campground driveway was approved, and Northeast Asphalt was awarded the bid. The limited term employee position has been posted for.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM TAX REQUIREMENTS

Todd Morris, County Conservationist, advised the committee of the situation with the land in non-compliance.

Motion/second (Skivington/Hiestand) to approve the notice of non-compliance. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DISCUSSION REGARDING GREEN LAKE COUNTY STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Todd Morris, County Conservationist, gave a presentation on the Green Lake County Stewardship Program. Discussion held.

DISCUSSION REGARDING GREEN LAKE COUNTY MEMORIAL TREES

Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Coordinator, gave some background on the Memorial Trees. Discussion held. A resolution will be drafted for the next meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SPRING LAKE PARKING AREA UPDATES

Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Coordinator, spoke about the parking area and update plans. Discussion held. Possible grant funding is available for the resurfacing of the parking lot.

ANNUAL REPORTS

- Land Conservation
- Maintenance & Parks

Each annual report was discussed individually.

Motion/second (Boutwell/Albright) to accept the Land Conservation report and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.

Motion/second (Boutwell/Hiestand) to accept the Maintenance & Parks report and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COUNTY PARK IMPROVEMENTS DISCUSSION

Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Coordinator, stated he was waiting for the surveys to be completed. Discussion held.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- a. Next meeting date – April 9th, 2026
- b. Future agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Chair Schweder adjourned the meeting at 10:09AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Samantha Stobbe
County Clerk

RESOLUTION NUMBER -2026

Resolution Creating County Memorial Tree Program

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting begun on the _____ day of _____, 2026, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Green Lake County believes that a memorial tree planting program would
- 2 offer community members the opportunity to honor the memory of deceased loved ones
- 3 while assisting in the grieving process; and

- 4 **WHEREAS**, memorial trees could be planted at various county parks and maintained by
- 5 the County Parks Department.

- 6 Fiscal note is attached.

- 7 A majority vote is needed to pass.

Roll Call on Resolution No. -2026

Submitted by Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee:

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain 0

Passed and Adopted/Rejected this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Bob Schweder, Chair

Mike Skivington, Vice Chair

County Board Chairman

Nancy Hiestand

ATTEST: County Clerk
Approve as to Form:

Nita Krenz

Corporation Counsel

Bill Boutwell

David Albright

8 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Green Lake County authorizes the
9 creation of a memorial tree planting program that shall be managed by the County
10 Parks Department; and

11 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** said memorial trees shall be made available for donors
12 to purchase while remaining under the ownership of Green Lake County; and

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that memorial trees shall be planted, depending upon
14 space and needs of the property, at one of several County parks of the donor's
15 choosing; and

16 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that trees shall be maintained by the County Parks
17 Department for the duration of the tree's lifespan, after which the Parks Department
18 may opt to replace or remove the tree; and

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that discretion to relocate trees and/or remove dead,
20 unsightly or hazardous trees shall remain with the County Parks Department.

Land, Water, Parks, and Community Committee

Land & Water Conservation Dept. April 9, 2026 Report

March 2026 Projects

- Inspect open erosion control permits and review new permit applications for erosion control and stormwater management.
- Assist Estates of Lawsonia as they transition ownership of lots over to the newly formed Homeowners Association (HOA) and answer any questions that they encounter during the process.

- Continue design of leachate collection system – Town of St. Marie
- Continue design for grade stabilization structure – Town of Princeton
- Continue design for heavy use area protection, construction plans approved by DATCP, signed cost share agreement with landowner – Town of Princeton
- Completed design for waste storage facility and waste transfer system, waiting to hear on funding and plan approval by NRCS – Town of Princeton
- Review of nutrient management plan submitted – 11 landowners
- Collecting background information to run PLET (Pollutant Load Estimation Tool) for Green Lake and Silver Creek watersheds
- Construction ongoing for streambank stabilization project – Town of Green Lake

- Staff attended 3-day WI Land + Water Conference, Wisconsin Dells.
- Accepted Multi-Discharger Variance applications and rankings
- Reviewed waste transfer plans submitted for Animal Waste Storage Ordinance
- Sent out well testing letters, Town of Kingston and SW sections Town of Princeton

April 2026 Planned Projects

- Planning regarding a Green Lake County Stewardship Program
- Installation of two grade stabilization structures – Town of Green Lake
- Host Arbor Day Breakfast
- Cost share agreements developed for SWRM and MDV funding
- Layout heavy use protection and begin construction of project in Town of Princeton
- Send out newsletter
- 2026 Well Testing Program

Lake and River Report

Lake Puckaway – Discussed 2026 Aquatic Plan Management Plan with district. Green Lake County will be participating in planning efforts.

Twin Lakes – DNR reviewed draft Lake Management Plan and submitted comments for consideration.

Spring Lake (Kingston) – No update

Spring Lake (Green Lake) – No update

Little Green – Received lake planning grant. Planned presentation for LGL District on native shoreline plantings to be conducted in April in coordination with native plant sale

Green Lake – Three additional streambank sites reviewed for potential restoration projects.

Grand Lake – No update

Other – Met with UW to plan 2026 Lake Leaders Academy

Golden Sands AIS Update

- See Report

Producer Led Watershed Group:

- Green Lake Farmers Coalition meet on March 23, 2026.

Upcoming Events:

April 21, 2026 – County Groundwater Testing Program

April 24, 2026 – Arbor Day Breakfast

May 21, 2026 – Golden Sands RC&D Board Meeting – Stevens Point

June 5, 2026 – Lake Winnebago Land and Water Conservation Association spring meeting

June 20, 2026 – GLA State of the Lake breakfast

July 16, 2026 – Golden Sands RC&D Board Meeting – Stevens Point

August 14, 2026 – Clean Sweep

September 17, 2026 – Golden Sands RC&D Board Meeting – Stevens Point

September 18, 2026 – Lake Winnebago Land and Water Conservation Association summer meeting

November 19, 2026 – Golden Sands RC&D Board Meeting – Stevens Point

GREEN LAKE COUNTY

March Aquatic Services Highlights 2026

Attended spring LMPN project training update so the training we provide on Clean Boats, Clean Waters, Snapshot AIS monitoring, Citizen Lake Monitoring and other projects is up to date.

Presented AIS prevention and monitoring information to 53 attendants during the UW Stevens Point and UW Madison furbearer ecology classes.

Continued assistance with UMISC (Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference). Conference is Oct. 6-8, 2026 in LaCrosse.

The 2025 LMPN AIS Report was entered into the WDNR database SWIMS. It is also available on Golden Sands RC&D's AIS Results webpage <https://www.goldensandsrkd.org/ais-results>

Purple Loosestrife biocontrol planning and prep has started. Two volunteer root digging dates are planned; April 9th in Marquette Co and April 22nd in Marathon Co. Roots will support biocontrol efforts for any volunteers in LMPN area as well as power company needs on the WI River system. Volunteer in Berlin has lots of beetles and offered to share as starter stock.

Attended spring AIS Coordinator meeting for program updates and training. AIS updates provided during the March Golden Sands RC&D Council meeting.

Lakes & Rivers Convention is April 15th - 17th at the Stevens Point Holiday Inn Convention Center. Hamerla will be presenting on EWM response efforts from Big Bass Lake in Marathon County.

Exotic Pet Surrender events were held in Berlin and Green Lake. More events around the state can be found at jraar.org/exoticpetsurrenderevents

September 23, 2025 Hamerla and DNR AIS Biologist Patrick Siwula did a spiny waterflea monitoring training for the GLA. Samples were collected and sent for analysis. A single spiny waterflea SPINE was found in a sediment sample. This does NOT mean they are present in the lake, it may have been on fishing gear from a transient angler. Monitoring will continue. The GLA is aware.



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