

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY
LAND, WATER, PARKS & COMMUNITY
Thursday, August 13th, 2026**

Chair Bob Schweder called the meeting of the Land, Water, Parks & Community Committee to order at 9:00AM on Thursday, August 13th, 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
Nancy Hiestand
Mike Skivington

Other County Employees Present: Pamala Dykstra, Deputy County Clerk; Todd Morris, County Conservationist; Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Supervisor; Jason Jerome, County Manager; Jeff Mann, Corporation Counsel; Grace Jenkins, Fair & UWEX Office Manager; Adam Hartfiel, Regional Livestock Educator; Pat Wagner, Area Extension Director (remote at 9:17 am); Kayla Yonke, HHS Financial Manager

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT)

none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Hiestand/Skivington) to approve the 07/09/2026 meeting minutes. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WINNEFOX LIBRARY 5 – YEAR AGREEMENT

Discussion held. Agreement is in the packet. A Public Hearing will need to be held before it can be approved by the County Board. *Motion/second (Skivington/Boutwell)* to approve the Winnefox Library 5-Year agreement and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative votes.

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- **UW Extension**
 - **Regional Livestock Report** – Adam Hartfiel handed out a flyer on a Direct Marketing Beef Workshop that he will be holding on August 20, 2026.
 - **Area Extension Director Report** – Grace Jenkins went over report found in the packet

RESOLUTION

- **Resolution Relating to Wisconsin DNR Grants**

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

- **Resolution Eliminating Three LTE (Limited Term Employee) and Creating One Additional FTE (Full Time Employee) Maintenance Repair Person in the Maintenance & Parks Department**

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

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING E-CYCLE WISCONSIN ELECTRONIC GRANT APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT COLLECTION SITE

Information in the packet. Morris discussed information on the grant. Application is due on August 31, 2026. *Motion/second (Boutwell/Hiestand)* to approve sending in the grant application. Motion carried with no negative vote.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM PUBLIC INPUT

Morris discussed the program. He will create a presentation on the program to present at the next meeting to discuss next steps.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- **UW Extension**
 - **Update on Staffing** - Pat Wager discussed interviews. They had fifteen candidates and they are doing final interviews on three. New employee should start in late September.
- **Land Conservation** –Report can be found in the packet. Morris discussed report.
- **Parks** – Van Meel discussed report
- **Maintenance** - Van Meel discussed report

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING TOURING COUNTY PARKS

Will add to next meeting agenda to set up special meetings to tour parks in two different trips.

2027 BUDGETS

- **Land Conservation**
- **Parks Budget**
- **Maintenance Budget**

Budgets are in the packet. Discussions held.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- a. Next meeting date – September 10th, 2026
- b. Future agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Chair Schweder adjourned at 9:56 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamala Dykstra
Deputy County Clerk