

**SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LAND RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Tuesday, February 10, 2022
Room 213
Sauk County West Square Building**

Land Resources and Environment (LRE) Committee members present: M. Krueger, D. Polivka, R. Nelson, R. Curry, P. Kinsman, B. Lohr, V. McAuliffe,

Others present: L. Wilson, L. Digmann, K. Felton, B. Baily, C. Fowler, S. Koenig, T. Hillmann, W. Christensen, M. Steive, and J. Alt

Absent: R. Puttkamer (excused)

At 9:00 a.m. Chair Krueger called the Land Resources and Environment Committee meeting to order and certified to be in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

Adopt agenda: Motion by Curry/Polivka to adopt the agenda moving items 11 and 12 after item 8 on the agenda. Motion carried, all in favor.

Adopt minutes of previous meetings – December 28, 2021: Motion by Curry/McAuliffe to approve the January 25, 2022 LRE Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried, all in favor.

Public Comment: None

Communications:

Wilson presented the Water Quality Monitoring Report for the 2021 Field Season. Wilson stated that if members had any questions regarding the report to contact Serge Koenig directly.

Land Records:

- a. Department report: Felton presented the Land Records department report.
- b. Review and approval of vouchers in the amount of \$9,580.00. Motion by Kinsman/McAuliffe to approve Land Record's vouchers in the amount of \$9,580.00. Motion carried, all in favor.

Register of Deeds:

- a. Department report. Bailey presented the Register of Deeds department report.
- b. Review and approval of vouchers in the amount of \$9,405.00. Motion by McAuliffe/Kinsman to approve vouchers in the amount of \$9,405.00. Motion carried, all in favor.

Land Resources & Environment

- a. Department report: Wilson presented the department report.
- b. Review and approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,130.36 for LRE, \$23,828.04 for 2021 and \$7,125.22 for 2022 Parks. Motion by McAuliffe/Lohr to approve vouchers in the amount of \$1,130.36 for LRE and \$23,828.04 for 2021 and \$7,125.22 for 2022 Parks. Motion carried, all in favor.

9. Discussion and possible action on a conditional use permit for the construction of a dwelling on 35 acres or greater, by Scott Schaeffer, located in Section 31, T12N, R5E, Town of Excelsior, Sauk County.
Hillmann presented the background and history of the request. Motion by McAuliffe/Kinsman to approve the conditional use permit for the construction of a dwelling on 35 acres or greater by Scott Schaeffer. Motion carried, all in favor.

10. Discussion and possible action on a conditional use permit for the construction of a dwelling on 35 acres or greater, by Jerome Woetzel, located in Section 26, T12N, R4E, Town of Reedsburg, Sauk County.

Christensen presented the background and history of the request. Nelson asked if Woetzel has an easement though the neighboring properties to get to the property. Christensen explained that the road right of way does touch his property so he has access and driveway approval. Motion by Kinsman/Curry to approve the conditional use permit

for construction of a dwelling on 35 acres or greater by Jerome Woetzel. Motion carried, all in favor.

11. Presentation/Discussion and possible action on creation of an MOU with Michels Corporation to use the Summer Oaks Boat Landing for barge assembly and deployment.

Luke Ploessl, General Manager of Michels Marine; Mike Rice, Senior Manager of Construction; and Norb Pulvermacher, General Superintendent, presented the proposal to use the Summer Oaks Boat Landing for barge assembly and deployment. Paul Corrigan, Senior Manager of Estimating and Shawn Stockwell Senior Project Manager from Michels Construction were present via phone. Ploessl stated their approach to this project is the safety of the public, no damage to property, and to not harm land/environment. Ploessl noted that if for any reason there would be damage to the property or the land/environment Michels would be responsible for the costs of any repairs. Committee members asked many questions regarding potential compensation for use of the facility, repairs during and after construction, noise levels, types of equipment, and liability concerns

Michels representatives answered the questions and concerns and stated they would work with the county and cover cost of any damage associated with this project.

Motion by McAuliffe/Lohr to proceed with the creation of a MOU with Michels Corporation for use of the Summer Oaks Boat Landing for barge assembly and deployment for a 5-year project. Motion includes, Michels Corporation to work with Steive and Wilson and the two supervisors from two surrounding districts to address the items noted during the discussion. Motion carried, all in favor.

12. Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution to adopt the Sauk County ADA Parks and Recreational Facilities Access Audit and Transition Plan as an Appendix to the 2020-2024 Sauk County Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Daniel Schmitt, from MSA presented the ADA Audit on Sauk County Parks.

Polivka asked if Schmitt could explain what was meant by compliance cannot be accomplished with prevailing construction practice. Schmitt explained. Nelson asked if parks have a designated ADA coordinator. Steive stated Ian Cammond is the coordinator for Sauk County. Kinsman agrees with a lot of this but how do you stay complaint in Wisconsin with the frost. Steive explained. McAuliffe commended the staff that has been working on this much needed project to get it done. Motion by Nelson/Polivka to recommend the adoption of the Sauk County ADA Parks and Recreational Facilities Access Audit and Transition Plan as an Appendix to the 2020-2024 Sauk County Outdoor Recreation Plan by the County Board. Motion carried, all in favor

13. Discussion on the White Mound County Park Property Master Plan and associated Parking and Land Acquisition Study.

Fowler provided the Master Plan for White Mound County Park Property and the associated Parking and Land Acquisition Study. Nelson applauded staff for a nice presentation, it was done very well. Steive stated that staff did a great job of putting this project together and is glad to see it finally coming together. Steive stated that International Mountain Bike Association has visited White Mound and stated it is the perfect place for a bike trail and if done right it will be a destination that people will drive to.

14. Presentation on 2021 Rotational Grazing Program.

Koenig presented the Rotational Grazing Program from 2021.

15. Discussion and possible action on a Resolution Authorizing Participation in the State of Wisconsin Motorized Recreation Grant Program for snowmobile trails.

Alt presented the State of Wisconsin Motorized Recreation Grant Program for snowmobile trails. Alt stated that the grant is 100% funded by the DNR. Alt stated that we are basically the grant administrator for a program total of \$64,650.00. Nelson asked how many days the trail was open this season so far. Alt stated 2 days. Motion by Lohr/McAuliffe to approve a resolution authorizing participation in the State of Wisconsin Motorize Recreation Grant Program for snowmobile trails and forward it to the board for their approval. Motion carried, all in favor.

16. Discussion on possible action on an agreement between Sauk County and the Town of LaValle for Patrol Services.

Steive presented the background on the agreement between Sauk County and the Town of LaValle for Patrolling Services. Motion by Polivka/Lohr. Motion carried, all in favor.

17. Discussion and possible action on a Resolution Authorizing Participation in the State of Wisconsin Motorized Recreation Grant Program for ATV/UTV trails.

Alt presented the State of Wisconsin Motorized Recreation Grant Program for ATV/UTV trails. Alt stated that the grant is 100% funded by the DNR and the total for 2022 is \$820.00. Motion by Polivka/Lohr to approve a resolution authorizing participation in the State of Wisconsin Motorize Recreation Grant Program for ATV/UTV trails and forward it to the board for their approval. Motion carried, all in favor.

18. Discussion on the Sauk County Farm Property Master Plan.

Fowler gave an overview of the Sauk County Farm Property Master Plan. Fowler stated that the goal is to turn this property into agricultural community education center. Polivka asked if there has been any request for any agricultural research projects. Fowler explained. Lohr asked if the sheds will be removed or repurposed. Fowler explained. Polivka stated that renovating the buildings could be quite costly. Nelson stated it is another terrific plan and commends the staff. Krueger would recommend talking with Bill Schuette or Paul Wolter from the Historical Society to document the history of the property. Fowler stated that she has spoken with Wolter and he was extremely helpful, provided a lot of the resources and photos. Polivka is happy to see the work that is being put into this and hopes you can get as much history as you can get on this.

19. Discussion and possible action on Final Project Report and Cost Summary for Lake Redstone Protection District 2020 Lake Management Funds – Swallow Bay.

Wilson presented the final report and is looking for approval for the final payment to be made to Lake Redstone Protection District for the 2020 Lake Management Funds Project at Swallow Bay. Motion by Nelson/Curry to approve the final pay out to the Lake Redstone Protection District for the 2020 Lake Management Funds project at Swallow Bay. Motion carried, 6-0 with Kinsman abstaining.

Reports

- a. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) - None
- b. Farm Service Agency (FSA) - None
- c. Foresters - None
- d. Economic Development Committee – Krueger stated they agreed to hire an LTE. Pinkus will come back as a part time LTE to finish up the block grant development projects that he started down at the Bluffview park and playground and the Marketing effort that was started with Beulow.
- e. Mirror Lake District – Krueger stated they received a report from Vierbichers on the status of dredging the sediment trap, the gully washouts, and the delta removal. Representative Considine arranged a meeting with a director from the DNR and someone from the governor office to see if there are any grant funds available for these projects.
- f. Lake Virginia Management District – Nelson stated they did not meet.
- g. Lake Redstone Management District – Kinsman stated they did meet but he was not able to attend.

Next meeting dates – Tuesday, February 22, 2022 and Thursday, March 10, 2022

Motion by Kinsman/Nelson to adjourn. Motion carried, all in favor. Meeting adjourned, 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Curry, Secretary