

SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Land Resources and Extension Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 10, 2025
County Board Room
Sauk County West Square Building

Land Resources and Extension (LRE) Committee members present: M. Krueger, D. Polivka, V. McAuliffe, L. Eberl, B. Spencer, B. Lohr, B. Prosser, R. Puttkamer

Others present: T. Kabat, M. Schlupp, R. Meyer, T. Hillmann, K. Felton, B. Bailey, C. Edgar, A. Kurth

Absent: P. Kinsman

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Krueger called the Land Resources and Extension Committee meeting to order. LRE Staff certified the meeting to be compliant with Open Meetings Law.

Adopt agenda - Motion by Spencer / Puttkamer to adopt the April 10, 2025, agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Adopt minutes of previous meeting – March 25, 2025 - Motion by Eberl / McAuliffe to adopt the March 25, 2025, LRE Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried, unanimously.

Public comment – No public comment

Communications – T. Kabat noted there is an invite on Granicus for the Wisconsin River Recreational Bridge & Trail Connection Celebration scheduled for May 8th. He shared that Jekka Alt has been promoted to the position of Parks & Recreation Manager upon the retirement of Matt Stieve.

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- a. **Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution to Support Increasing Base Funding For County Conservation Staffing to \$20.2 Million.** M. Schlupp presented the resolution and explained the request was to ask the State to meet its funding goals for conservation staffing. Motion by McAuliffe / Puttkamer to approve a resolution to support increasing base funding for County Conservation staffing to \$20.2 Million. Motion carried unanimously.

Land Records

- a. **Land Records Department Report** – K. Felton presented the Land Records Department Report.

Register of Deeds

- a. **Register of Deeds Department Report** – B. Bailey presented the Register of Deeds Department Report.

- b. **Review and approval of vouchers** – B. Bailey requested payment of the 2025 vouchers in the amount of \$8,308.00. Motion by Lohr / Spencer to approve vouchers for the Register of Deeds in the amount of \$8,308.00. Motion carried, unanimously.
- c. **Discussion and Possible Action on Register of Deeds Department 2024 Year End Report.** B. Bailey presented the Register of Deeds Department 2024 Year End Report. Motion by Eberl / McAuliffe to accept the ROD Department 2024 Year End Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Extension Education

- a. **Discussion and possible action on Extension 2025-26 Priorities.** C. Edgar presented UW-Extensions 2025-26 Priorities. Motion by Puttkamer / McAuliffe to approve Extensions 2025-26 Priorities. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Educator Report: Anastasia Kurth, Soils & Crops Educator programming.** A. Kurth gave a presentation of the Soils & Crops Educator program regarding the Pesticide Applicator Training and Manure Applicator Training 101.
- c. **Extension Highlights Report.** C. Edgar presented Extension Highlights Report
- d. **Review and approval of vouchers** – C. Edgar presented vouchers in the amount of \$1,054.13 for Extension Education. Motion by Polivka / McAuliffe to approve vouchers for \$1,054.13 for UW Extension. Motion carried, unanimously.

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- b. **LRE Department Report** – T. Kabat presented the LRE Department March report.
- c. **WI River Recreation Bridge Update.** T. Kabat gave an update on the WI River Recreation Bridge construction progress.
- d. **Review and approval of vouchers** – T. Kabat presented vouchers in the amount of \$33,015.50 for Conservation, Planning, and Zoning and vouchers in the amount of \$1,611,501.55 for Parks and Recreation including Sauk County's \$1.5 million contribution to the WI River Recreation Bridge project. Motion by Eberl / Spencer to approve vouchers in the amount of \$33,015.50 for Conservation, Planning and Zoning and \$1,611,501.55 for Parks and Recreation. Motion carried, unanimously.
- e. **Discussion and possible action on a conditional use permit for a Planned Rural Development (PRD) lot for Robert Bonham, located in Section 7, T11N, R07E Town of Greenfield, Sauk County, pursuant to Chap 7 Subchapter IX, of the Sauk County Code of Ordinances.**
T. Hillmann presented a conditional use permit for a Planned Rural Development (PRD) lot for Robert Bonham, located in the Town of Greenfield. T. Hillmann reported that the Town of Greenfield Plan Commission and Town Board has recommended approval, also the LRE Department recommends approval. Motion by Spencer / McAuliffe to approve the conditional use permit for a Planned Rural Development (PRD) lot for Robert Bonham, located in the Town of Greenfield subject to the standard conditions in the staff report. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. **Discussion and possible action to set a date for the annual LRE Committee Park Tour** – T. Kabat requested to set a date for the annual LRE Committee Park Tour. T. Kabat suggested dates of May 12th, 13th or May 19th or 20th. The Committee confirmed that May 13th from 9am to 12 noon as the date that works best.

- g. **Discussion and Presentation on 2024 Stream Monitoring Efforts.** Motion by Lohr / Spencer to move the 2024 Stream Monitoring Efforts presentation to the April 22 meeting.

Reports

- a. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) – None
- b. Farm Service Agency (FSA) – None.
- c. Foresters – None.
- d. Economic Development Committee – M. Krueger noted that the March meeting focus was on arts grants and a presentation from Kurt Muchow about the housing shortage in Reedsburg and what is being done.
- e. Mirror Lake Management District – B. Prosser noted that a MOU was sent from Vierbicher regarding the dredging project. The project cannot begin before June 15th due to fish spawning.
- f. Lake Virginia Management District – M. Krueger noted there was not a meeting since last report.
- g. Lake Redstone Protection District – P. Kinsman was not at the meeting.
- h. Southern Area Association – WI Land and Water – P. Kinsman was not at the meeting.

Next meeting dates – Tuesday, April 22, 2025 and Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 9:00am

Adjournment – Motion by Spencer / Lohr to adjourn at 10:19 a.m. Motion carried, unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie McAuliffe, Secretary