EAU CLAIRE COUNTY LAND STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES – THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021 REMOTE MEETING – EAU CLAIRE, WI

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Koziel, Kevin Stelljes, Heather DeLuka, Larry Jolivette

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Dave Carlson, Dave Dresel, vacant seat (formally Sean Bohan)

STAFF PRESENT: Greg Leonard (Land Conservation Division – P&D), Josh Pedersen (Parks & Forest)

OTHERS PRESENT: (none)

1) Call to Order by Chair

Chair Koziel called the meeting to order at 12:19 p.m.

2) Roll Call

A roll call was taken; Koziel, Stelljes, DeLuka, Jolivette were present. Dresel, Carlson, and the vacant seat were absent. A quorum was present.

3) Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Koziel confirmed that the open meeting requirements had been complied with.

4) Public Comment Period

None.

5) Notice of Appointment of Citizen at Large to sub-committee for 3-year term: Larry Jolivette

Larry Jolivette's reappointment to the sub-committee was confirmed by the LCC.

6) Notice of Appointment of Land Conservation Commission (LCC) member to sub-committee for 3-year term: Heather DeLuka

Heather DeLuka was appointed by the LCC to the sub-committee. Everyone welcomed her.

7) Approve Minutes of January 20, 2021 meeting

ACTION: Motion by Stelljes to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote, 4-0-0.

8) Review of Land Stewardship program for new members

Land Stewardship members and staff provided an overview of the program, including past and current projects.

9) Consideration of properties from Committee on Parks & Forest

The Parks & Forest Committee offered suggestions of properties the Land Stewardship sub-committee may want to consider. Pedersen provided an overview of the various properties and the benefits to his department's programs. Stelljes offered to assist with contacting the listing agent of one of the properties, with Koziel offering to contact the landowner of the other property. DeLuka offered to sit in to learn.

9) Stewardship Fund balances

As was previously discussed, the Stewardship program fund needed to reimburse the 207 Watershed account for Stewardship activities. This was accomplished with a journal entry. Stewardship activities have now been disassociated with the 207 Watershed account to prevent the need for this again.

10) Member and Staff updates

Stelljes reported a property near Lake Altoona which the owner has expressed interest in contacting Beaver Creek Reserve for a possible donation.

11) Future agenda items

Follow up on new property considerations will be on the agenda.

12) Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 12:00 pm.

13) Adjourn

Koziel adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Leonard, Subcommittee Clerk