

## **AGENDA**

Eau Claire County

- Land Stewardship Subcommittee of the Land Conservation Commission •

**Date:** Wednesday, July 12, 2023 **Time:** 12:00 P.M.

**Location:** Ag Resource Center, Room 103/104  
227 1st St West, Altoona, WI 54720

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**[zachary.mohr@eau Claire County.gov](mailto:zachary.mohr@eau Claire County.gov) at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. You will be called on during the public comment period to make your comments.**

*A majority of the county board may be in attendance at this meeting, however, only members of the committee may take action on an agenda item.*

## **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law
4. Public Comment Period
5. Review/Approval of the April 05, 2023, meeting minutes (Discussion/Action) **Pages 2-3**
6. Update on the status of the Red Flint/ Taylor Creek /Mathy donation. (Discussion)
7. Update and discussion on potential properties for consideration. (Discussion/Action) **Pages 4-8**
  - a. Past properties considerations
  - b. New potential properties/projects
8. Possible "event" to publicize the Mathy/Taylor Creek/Red Flint donation and the Stewardship Program (Discussion/Action)
9. Stewardship Fund balance **Page 9**
10. Future agenda items
11. Set Next Meeting Date
12. Adjourn

Prepared by: Holly Weigand

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
LAND STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES – WEDNESDAY APRIL 5, 2023  
AG RESOURCE CENTER, RM. 103/104  
227 – 1ST STREET WEST, ALTOONA, WI 54720**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Koziel, Heather DeLuka, Dave Dresel, Dave Carlson, Joe Knight, Larry Jolivette, Kevin Stelljes  
MEMBERS EXCUSED: Tony Brooks  
STAFF PRESENT: Chad Berge & Zach Mohr (Land Conservation), Dean Roth (P&D), Charles Ellefson (Corp. Counsel), Josh Pedersen (Parks and Forest)  
OTHERS PRESENT:

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**1) Call to Order by Chair**

Chair Koziel called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

**2) Roll Call**

Roll call was taken. A quorum was present with 7 members.

**3) Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law**

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

**4) Public Comment Period**

No public comments.

**5) Approval of the December 7, 2022, meeting minutes.**

**ACTION:** Motion by Stelljes, second by Carlson to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote, 7-0-0.

**6) Review Mathy/Ayres donation recommendation as proposed by the Land Donation Special Committee**

**DISCUSSION:** Koziel opened the floor to Jolivette who is chair of the Land Donation Special Committee. Jolivette discussed how and why the Land Donation Special Committee came up with their recommendations. Roth aided the conversation using the map of the property displayed at the front of the room. Discussion on the importance of access and an H&H study being completed by Eau Claire County Parks and Forest Department was emphasized by the Land Stewardship Committee. The highest importance was given to access and then the H&H study second.

Pedersen left the meeting. (12:28 pm)

**ACTION:** Motion by Stelljes to take the Land Donation Special Committee whole recommendation, name of property, and packet to the Land Conservation Commission, with the next steps for Eau Claire County Parks and Recreation Department to seek access from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and to budget an H&H study for next year. Motion carried on a voice vote, 7-0-0.

**7) Make a recommendation to dissolve the Land Donation Special Committee**

**DISCUSSION:** Upon discussion, the Land Stewardship Committee decided to hold off on dissolving the Land Donation Special committee in case there was more work needed of the Special Committee.

**ACTION:** Motion by Koziel, second by Stelljes to approve dissolving the Land Donation Special Committee to the Land Conservation Commission. Motion carried on a voice vote, 7-0-0.

**8) Update of airport mitigation fund**

**DISCUSSION:** Koziel started the discussion seeking background information on the funds. Knight gave a brief overview of the mitigation fund. Next, Stelljes provided an in depth look at the airport mitigation funds along with additional information from DeLuka. The Land Stewardship committee now has \$20,000 of airport mitigation funds in their account to use.

**9) Discussion of past and potential projects**

**DISCUSSION:** A potential property for a preservation/conservation easement along Lowes creek was discussed by Koziel. Stelljes brought up acquiring the sand mine property near Harstad park.

**10) Status of terms for all members/officers (Discussion/Action)**

**DISCUSSION:** Terms for its members were reviewed by the subcommittee. Jolivette and Dressel terms are set to expire April of 2023 and they would like to remain on the committee.

**Action:** Motion by Stelljes to bring reappointment of Jolivette and Dressel to Land Conservation Commission. Motion carried on a voice vote, 7-0-0.

**11) Stewardship Fund Balance**

**DISCUSSION:** The fund balance was reviewed. The following funds were added: \$500.00 for Rick Koziel Donation – Memorial for Bruce Willet & Doug Burrows and \$20,000.00 for Airport Donation.

**12) Future agenda items.**

- LCC feedback on Land Donation Special Subcommittee recommendation
- Access update for donated property

**13) Set Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting was set for May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am Rm. 103/104.

**14) Adjourn**

Koziel adjourned the meeting at 1:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Zachary Mohr, Subcommittee Clerk in Reserve

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## MINUTES

Eau Claire County

### • Committee on Parks & Forest •

Monday, June 12, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Agricultural and Resource Center

227 1<sup>st</sup> Street West., Altoona – Rooms 103 and 104

Members Present: Joe Knight, Missy Christopherson, Tami Schraufnagel, Dane Zook, Nick Smiar – Ex Officio Member

Others Present: Jody Gindt – Supervisor, Winnie Parker – Administrative Specialist III (Committee Clerk), Erika Gullerud – Finance Analyst, Kyle Johnson – DNR County Forest Liaison, Mike Lea - Parks and Forest Advisory Committee Member, Nick Meyer – CORBA Representative

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### Call to Order Committee on Parks & Forest and confirmation of meeting notice

Chairman Knight called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and confirmed public posting of the meeting.

### Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make a comment.

### Review of May 8, 2023, Committee Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Schraufnagel moved to approve the minutes from May 8, 2023. All in favor.

### Resolution 23-24.018 Withdrawal of County Forest Land

Mike Lea has requested the withdrawal of two (2) proposed sand spoil sites adjacent to one another, about 9.94 acres from the Eau Claire County Forest Program. After approval from the Committee on Parks and Forest, further approval will be needed from the County Board and then from the Department of Natural Resources. This site was chosen because of its close proximity to the sand traps near the boat landing on the Eau Claire River, which feeds into Lake Eau Claire and because of the low timber quantity and quality on these sites. These traps and sand spoil sites are necessary to keep the boat landings safe and open. Supervisor Zook moved to approve Resolution 23-24/018 as written. All in favor, none opposed.

### Light Up the Woods request at Lowes Creek Park

Nick Meyer from CORBA requested permission from the Committee on Parks and Forest to host a CORBA Fundraiser called “Light Up the Woods.” This fundraiser would involve lighting and projected lighting throughout the trails at Lowes Creek Park. Along the trails there would also be beer tents whereby the beverages would be included in the sale of tickets. Supervisor Zook moved to postpone action on this request until the July 10, 2023, Committee Meeting to allow County Corporate Legal Counsel to review the request and approve the specific details, especially regarding the presence and handling of alcoholic beverages. All in favor, none opposed.

### Coon Fork 40 Bike Event

Nick Meyer, from CORBA presented the proposal to host a fundraiser gravel bike riding event to start and finish at the Coon Fork beach side. Gravel events such as these are gaining popularity and work for all

types of bikes. The monies raised from this event would be used to maintain the already established trails and develop new trails. Supervisor Schraufnagel moved to approve the Coon Fork 40 Bike Fundraiser Event pending review from County Corporate Legal Counsel. All in favor, none opposed.

#### **Jeremy Doro Land Sale**

Landowner, Jeremy Doro, is interested in selling a 40-acre parcel of land that butts up to county property. This parcel consists mainly of white pine, which would not likely be logged. Access is from the north and has a gated easement. Supervisor Schraufnagel moved to forward the proposal to the Land Stewardship Department for their review and to see if there are grants available to allow for price matching. All in favor, none opposed.

#### **Comments Made**

Please take a look, if you haven't done so already, at the Lake Altoona Park Parking Lot renovation, which is complete, as well as the Big Falls Park Parking Lot renovation, which is underway. Please review the documents in preparation for the Joint meeting with the Committee on Finance & Budget.

#### **Future Parks & Forest Committee Meetings and Items for Discussion**

*Next Meeting – July 10, 2023, at 5 p.m.*

*Joint Meeting, Committee on Parks & Forest/Committee on Finance & Budget – August 14, 2023, at 5 p.m. at the Ag Center*

#### **Committee on Parks & Forest Adjournment**

The Committee on Parks & Forest adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Winnie Parker  
Committee Clerk  
Administrative Specialist III

**Stewardship Project Ranking**

Rate 1(low) to 5(high)      First priority (green) is multiplied by two in the total score      Max rank = 75

Interested Property <del>strikeout</del> = not avail. <i>italic</i> = still interested?	Interested Property Abbrev.	Significant Ecological Value	Recreational and Public Access	Strong Community Support	Good Value for County Residents	Sustains Resource Base and Quality of Life	Proximity to Water	Wildlife Habitat	Ability to Leverage Funds	Area Not Appropriate For Development	Full Acquisitions	Total
Coon Gut/Pinter Pines	Co	4	5	5	4	3	4	4	4	2	5	61
Bredesen	Br	4	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	2	5	55
Keezer	Ke	4	4	2	2	2	4	3	2	4	4	45
BCR (Field off K)	BC	3	4	4	1	2	1	3	4	2	5	43
<i>Myers (on EC River)</i>	<i>My</i>	1	3	4	5	3	5	2	5	5	5	54
<i>Sprague</i>	<i>Sp</i>											-
Denson-Ziebell	De	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Windsor Creek LLC	Wi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manthei	Ma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benrud	Be	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Additional Parks Acquisition Ranking

Interested Property <i>strikeout</i> = not avail. <i>italic</i> = still interested?	Rank from 1-10 (10 as the highest)					
	Management	Natural Resources	Recreation	Economics	Threats/Risk	Partnerships
	20%	20%	20%	15%	20%	5%
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*State Stewardship Classification State weight*

<b>Owner</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Value Estimate</b>	<b>Update</b>
<b>Senske</b>	<b>RS</b>	Dell Mill Pond	18	Conservation and Public access easement	tbd.. Based on terms	Do we want to proceed with appraisal?
<b>Franks</b>	<b>JF</b>	River Frontage and Whipoorwill Creek	40-77	Purchase	\$71,000-112,000 offer	Franks pursuing other offers
<b>Brown</b>	<b>SB</b>	River Frontage , High bank, forest	40	Purchase	tbd..appraisal in process	P&F getting and appraisal
<b>Branson</b>	<b>BT</b>	River Frontage and Clouny forest block	160	Purchase	tbd	Should we tour?
<b>Black Bear Listing</b>	<b>BB</b>	Forest	160	Purchase	250000...listing	Should we tour?



**LAND STEWARDSHIP FUNDS**

1/1/2012	Balance Forward (Stelljes, Leary, Willett Donations)	\$150.00		\$150.00
11/16/2012	CV Group Sierra Club	\$100.00		\$250.00
12/26/2012	Kevin Stelljes	\$150.00		\$400.00
2/5/13	B. Willett Donation (Finance)	\$100.00		\$500.00
5/21/13	T. Schraufnagel, L. Johnson Donations	\$240.00		\$740.00
5/21/13	Journal Entry/K. Jacobs Registration	\$50.00		\$790.00
5/24/13	Banquet Registration/Donations	\$10,060.00		\$10,850.00
5/29/13	D. Dukersheim/H. Grange Donations	\$220.00		\$11,070.00
6/2/13	Registrations/Donations/Silent Auction	\$1,420.00		\$12,490.00
6/10/13	Rod & Gun Club - Banquet Expenses		\$8,447.59	\$4,042.41
6/10/13	Donations/Silent Auction	\$335.00		\$4,377.41
6/12/13	Donation	\$20.00		\$4,397.41
6/27/13	Donation	\$20.00		\$4,417.41
6/24/13	River Edge Design (Brochures)		\$750.00	\$3,667.41
6/27/13	Badgerland Printing (Brochures)		\$688.00	\$2,979.41
7/22/13	Dunning/Kirkeeng Donations	\$120.00		\$3,099.41
8/7/13	Wells Fargo Advisors (Anon. Stock Donation)	\$10,349.26		\$13,448.67
8/13/13	Stelljes/Tews Brochure Donations	\$750.00		\$14,198.67
8/15/13	Wells Fargo Advisors	\$500.00		\$14,698.67
9/18/13	Valhalla Management Services		\$750.00	\$13,948.67
12/23/13	Hudson/Willett Donations	\$550.00		\$14,498.67
12/31/13	Journal Entry/Stelljes/Johnson/Marjala Donations	\$350.00		\$14,848.67
2/25/14	Schraufnagel, T. Donation	\$50.00		\$14,898.67
3/6/14	Michaels - Supplies		\$13.90	\$14,884.77
March	Earnest money - Coon Gut		\$2,500.00	\$12,384.77
	Earnest money - Pinter Pines		\$2,500.00	\$9,884.77
4/10/14	D. Carlson Donation (Stelljes Memorial)	\$50.00		\$9,934.77
5/26/14	H. & Marshall Grange (Carlson Memorial)	\$200.00		\$10,134.77
5/27/14	E. Wolf	\$100.00		\$10,234.77
5/27/14	J. Murray	\$100.00		\$10,334.77
5/28/14	G. Moore	\$1,000.00		\$11,334.77
5/31/14	Generous Juror	\$5,364.09		\$16,698.86
6/23/14	G. Adams	\$25.00		\$16,723.86
6/23/14	C. Bates	\$25.00		\$16,748.86
6/23/14	Eau Claire Rod & Gun Club	\$1,000.00		\$17,748.86
6/23/14	R. Leary	\$40.00		\$17,788.86
6/23/14	T. Wagener	\$25.00		\$17,813.86
6/26/14	Pat & Patricia Stoffers	\$14,845.56		\$32,659.42
7/1/14	J. Dunning	\$20.00		\$32,679.42
7/2/14	R. Hudson	\$50.00		\$32,729.42
7/17/14	Trouts Unlimited WI Clear Waters Chapter 255	\$300.00		\$33,029.42
7/21/14	Ziemann, Richard	\$100.00		\$33,129.42
7/16/14	K. Stelljes	\$1,049.25		\$34,178.67
7/30/14	Ziemann, Richard	\$100.00		\$34,278.67
8/11/14	Ziemann, Richard	\$200.00		\$34,478.67
8/26/14	Ziemann, Richard	\$200.00		\$34,678.67
9/5/14	Chippewa Valley Outdoor Resource Alliance	\$2,000.00		\$36,678.67
11/11/14	Supreme Graphics - Dedication Invitation		\$70.00	\$36,608.67
11/14/14	Dollar Tree - Dedication Supplies		\$6.00	\$36,602.67
11/14/14	Festival Foods - Dedication Supplies		\$133.16	\$36,469.51
11/24/14	Donations	\$11.00		\$36,480.51
	(2014 JE) Coon Gut/Pinter Pines Purchase		\$26,741.00	\$9,739.51
12/9/14	White, Steven	\$100.00		\$9,839.51
12/9/14	White, Steven	\$100.00		\$9,939.51
3/24/15	Viking Gas Transmission Co.	\$15,000.00		\$24,939.51
4/7/15	Schwengel, William	\$100.00		\$25,039.51
				\$25,039.51
7/30/15	Edson, Jane	\$150.00		\$25,189.51
12/7/15	J.C. Norby Assoc. (Stenske Property Appraisal Estimate)		\$1,250.00	\$23,939.51
1/21/16	Journal Entry/Stelljes, Kevin 2015 deposit	\$100.00		\$24,039.51
2/15/17	Kevin Stelljes-Donation	\$100.00		\$24,139.51
6/26/17	Laura Englesby-Donation	\$160.00		\$24,299.51
6/22/18	Western WI Title Services_Kiwani Land Purchase		\$3,750.00	\$20,549.51
9/12/18	Edson, Jane Donation	\$100.00		\$20,649.51
11/2/20	Marlene Jannusch-Donation (for Lowes Creek Park)	\$1,000.00		\$21,649.51
12/31/20	Journal entry to adjust for activity within 207 Watershed acct		\$1,786.92	\$19,862.59
9/2/22	Ayres Associates		\$3,600.00	\$16,262.59
9/9/22	Memorial for Gary Gibson - Donation	\$250.00		\$16,512.59
1/20/23	Rick Koziel Donation - Memorial for Bruce Willett & Doug Burrows	\$500.00		\$17,012.59
3/6/23	Airport Doantion	\$20,000.00		\$37,012.59
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$37,012.59</b>