



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

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Land Conservation Committee Meeting Notice

Date: October 14, 2021 Time: 9:00 AM
County Board Room #0902, Green Lake County Government Center
571 County Rd A, Green Lake WI

AMENDED AGENDA

Committee Members

Robert Schweder - Chair
Bill Boutwell - Vice-Chair
Katie Mehn
Patricia Garro
Steve Draeger –
FSA Member

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of the August 12, 2021 Minutes
5. Public Comments
6. Federal Agency Appearances
7. Wildlife Damage Budget and Crop Approval
8. Monthly Staff Report & Upcoming Projects
9. Lake and River Report
10. Green Lake County Buffer Program Update
11. Ag Enterprise Area Update
12. No-Till Drill Discussion
13. Clean Sweep Update
14. DATCP/County Cost-Share Contracts
15. Resolution adding Soil Conservationist I position in the LCD
- * 16. Resolution Relating To Lake Planning and Protection Grant for Green Lake
- * 17. Resolution Relating To Lake Planning and Protection Grant for Grand Lake
- * 18. Resolution Relating To Lake Planning and Protection Grant for Big Twin, Little Twin, and Spring Lakes
19. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Date: November 11, 2021 at 9:00 AM
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
20. Adjourn

This meeting will be conducted and available through in person attendance or audio/visual communication.

Green Lake County Land Conservation is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Land Conservation Committee
Time: Oct 14, 2021 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87513842884?pwd=OFV2MHduQ1NNUG9FeG9naGhRzBEUT09>

Meeting ID: 875 1384 2884

Passcode: 669126

Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office.
All line items are subject to any and all action by this committee, unless noted.

Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or audio assistance should contact the Land Conservation Office at 294-4051 not later than Noon on the day preceding the meeting.

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Land Conservation Committee
October 14, 2021 Monthly Staff Report

September Projects

1. Inspect open erosion control permits and review new permit applications for erosion control and storm-water management.
2. Completed the construction of two grassed waterways, a rock-lined waterway, and a trash rack repair in the Town of Green Lake.
3. Completed a design plan for an access road in the Town of Princeton with detailed data requested by the Zoning Department along with other specific documentation.
4. Several site visits to multiple boathouse construction sites per zoning request to address possible erosion control concerns with excavators.
5. Review grant application, documentation, and attend meetings regarding the proposed boat wash station at Dodge Memorial Park and provide input to questions and concerns.
6. Installation of grassed and lined waterways. (LWRMP)
7. Installation of diversions and grade stabilization structure. (LWRMP)
8. Work on grass waterway design.
9. Installation of streambank protection project. (EQIP/GLA)
10. Planning for rotational grazing plan. (EQIP)
11. Review and issue permit for waste storage application.
12. Develop phosphorous savings report for Green Lake Watershed grant application.
13. Attend Green Lake Watershed Landowner Appreciation event.

October Project Focus

1. Continue to monitor existing erosion control permits, and review and issue new erosion control and storm-water management permits for applicants.
2. Begin construction of a grade stabilization structure, rock-lined waterway, grassed waterway, and outlet protection in the Town of Green Lake when contractor is available.
3. Begin creating field maps and crop rotation documentation to accompany upcoming 2022 Farmland Preservation Program field checks.

Lake and River Report

Oral report will be given at the meeting.



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE August 12, 2021 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Chairman, at 9:00AM on August 12, 2021 in the County Board Room #0902 of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present:

Robert Schweder
Katie Mehn
Patti Garro
Bill Boutwell

Excused:

Steve Draeger, FSA Member

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson
Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Chip Lovell Kent DeLucenay Lisa Reas Derek Kavanaugh
Maddy Pfaff Dick Martens Harley Reabe

MINUTES

Motion/second (Garro/ Boutwell) to approve and file the July 8, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Kent DeLucency, President, Green Lake Association
2. Lisa Reas, Administrator, Green Lake Sanitary District
3. Dick Martens, Secretary, Green Lake Association

Each individual spoke of the importance in filling the vacant Soil Conservationist I position in order to design and install Best Management Practices (BMP) that will benefit the waters of Green Lake County.

FEDERAL AGENCY APPEARANCES

Chip Lovell and Maddy Pfaff introduced themselves as the new USDA-APHIS (United States Dept. of Agriculture - Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service) representatives and gave an update on the Wildlife Damage Program moving forward.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Derek Kavanaugh gave a power point presentation update on the county lakes.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF SOIL CONSERVATIONIST I POSITION

Gunderson read a narrative he wrote justifying the importance of filling the Soil Conservationist I vacant position.

Motion/second (Garro/Boutwell) to approve the hiring of the Soil Conservationist I vacant position. Motion carried.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Gunderson reviewed each line item of the budget explaining any changes from the prior year.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

KEMNITZ

Motion/second (Boutwell/Mehn) to approve cost-share contracts. Motion carried.

CLEAN SWEEP UPDATE

Gunderson stated nearly 300 people already registered and that everything is set for the event on Friday, August 13th.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: September 9, 2021 at 9:00 AM
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:16 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar
Recorder

RESOLUTION NUMBER -2021

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO LAKE PLANNING AND PROTECTION GRANT
FOR BIG TWIN, LITTLE TWIN, AND SPRING LAKES.**

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting begun on the 19th day of October 2021, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, lake management grants provide financial assistance to applicants for
- 2 collection, analysis, communication of information needed to conduct studies and
- 3 develop management plans to protect and restore lakes and their watersheds, and
- 4 implementation of said plans; and,

- 5 **WHEREAS**, Twin Lakes residents have expressed their desires to pursue funding for
- 6 lake management for their specific lake; and,

- 7 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee will act as a
- 8 representative for Twin Lakes Association and will apply for grant funding from the
- 9 WDNR pursuant to ss. 281.68, Wis. Stats. and NR 193, Wis. Admin. Code; and,

- 10 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Land Conservation Committee (LCC) agrees to carry out the
- 11 responsibilities associated with the grant procedure which includes hiring a common
- 12 consultant to compile each lakes grant proposal to be submitted to the WDNR; and,

Roll Call on Resolution No. -2021

Submitted by: Land Conservation
Committee

Majority vote

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain

Passed and Adopted/Rejected this 19th
day of October 2021.

Robert Schweder, Chair

Patti Garro, Vice-chair

County Board Chairman

Katie Mehn

ATTEST: County Clerk
Approve as to Form:

William Boutwell

Corporation Counsel

13 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Land Conservation Committee (LCC) agrees to assist in the
14 contribution of local share (also called “match”) needed for grant approval; and,

15 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County LCC is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant
16 from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of developing and
17 implementing a Lake Management Plan;

18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County Board of Supervisors
19 authorize Green Lake County Administrator to act on behalf of the Green Lake Land
20 Conservation Committee to: submit a signed grant application for each lake to the WDNR;
21 and enter into the grant agreement with the WDNR.

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County Board of Supervisors
23 authorize the County Conservationist, to act on behalf of the Green Lake Land
24 Conservation Committee to: take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete
25 approved lake management planning grants; and submit reimbursement claims along
26 with the necessary supporting documentation to the WDNR.

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28 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County has budgeted a sum
29 sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorize and
30 empower the following officials or employees to submit the following documents to
31 the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance that may
32 be available:

Task	Title of Authorized Representative
Sign and submit a grant application	County Administrator
Enter into a grant agreement with the DNR	County Administrator
Take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project and bind the applicant	County Conservationist
Submit quarterly and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement, as appropriate	County Conservationist
Submit reimbursement request(s) to the DNR no later than the date specified in the grant agreement	County Conservationist
Sign and submit applicable documents	County Conservationist

33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that applicant will comply with all local, state and
34 federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share
35 agreement.

RESOLUTION NUMBER -2021

RESOLUTION RELATING TO LAKE PLANNING AND PROTECTION GRANT FOR GRAND LAKE.

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting begun on the 19th day of October 2021, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, lake management grants provide financial assistance to applicants for
2 collection, analysis, communication of information needed to conduct studies and
3 develop management plans to protect and restore lakes and their watersheds, and
4 implementation of said plans; and,
- 5 **WHEREAS**, Grand Lake residents have expressed their desires to pursue funding for
6 lake management for their specific lake; and,
- 7 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee will act as a
8 representative for Grand Lake Improvement Association and will apply for grant funding
9 from the WDNR pursuant to ss. 281.68, Wis. Stats. and NR 193, Wis. Admin. Code;
10 and,
- 11 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Land Conservation Committee (LCC) agrees to carry out the
12 responsibilities associated with the grant procedure which includes hiring a common
13 consultant to compile each lakes grant proposal to be submitted to the WDNR; and,

Roll Call on Resolution No. -2021

Submitted by: Land Conservation Committee

Majority vote

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain

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Robert Schweder, Chair

Patti Garro

County Board Chairman

Katie Mehn

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14 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Land Conservation Committee (LCC) agrees to assist in the
15 contribution of local share (also called “match”) needed for grant approval; and,

16 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County LCC is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant
17 from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of developing and
18 implementing a Lake Management Plan;

19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County Board of Supervisors
20 authorize Green Lake County Administrator to act on behalf of the Green Lake Land
21 Conservation Committee to: submit a signed grant application for each lake to the WDNR;
22 and enter into the grant agreement with the WDNR.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County Board of Supervisors
24 authorize the County Conservationist, to act on behalf of the Green Lake Land
25 Conservation Committee to: take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete
26 approved lake management planning grants; and submit reimbursement claims along
27 with the necessary supporting documentation to the WDNR.

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29 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County has budgeted a sum
30 sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorize and
31 empower the following officials or employees to submit the following documents to
32 the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance that may
33 be available:

Task	Title of Authorized Representative
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Enter into a grant agreement with the DNR	County Administrator
Take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project and bind the applicant	County Conservationist
Submit quarterly and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement, as appropriate	County Conservationist
Submit reimbursement request(s) to the DNR no later than the date specified in the grant agreement	County Conservationist
Sign and submit applicable documents	County Conservationist

34 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that applicant will comply with all local, state and
35 federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share
36 agreement.

RESOLUTION NUMBER -2021

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO LAKE PLANNING GRANTS
FOR GREEN LAKE**

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting begun on the 19th day of October 2021, does resolve as follows:

1 **WHEREAS**, Lake Planning grants provide financial assistance to applicants for
2 collection, analysis, communication of information needed to conduct studies, to protect
3 and restore lakes and their watersheds, and implementation of land and water
4 management plans; and,

5 **WHEREAS**, Previous installed earthen sediment basins within the Green Lake
6 watershed are 70% to 90% effective in trapping sediment and phosphorous, yet the
7 outflow of such basins still allow soluble phosphorus to enter our tributaries and
8 eventually Green Lake; and,
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10 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Association and its partners are pursuing five linked Lake
11 Planning grants to analyze the effects of collecting and treating excess phosphorus from
12 previous installed earthen sediment basins; and,
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14 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Association is not an eligible organizational grant sponsor
15 for WDNR Lake Planning Grants; and,
16

Roll Call on Resolution No. -2021

Submitted by: Land Conservation
Committee

Majority vote

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain

Robert Schweder, Chair

Passed and Adopted/Rejected this 19th
day of October 2021.

Patti Garro

County Board Chairman

Katie Mehn

ATTEST: County Clerk
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William Boutwell

Corporation Counsel

17 **WHEREAS**, Green Lake County is an eligible organizational grant sponsor for WDNR
18 Lake Planning Grants; and,

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20 **WHEREAS**, Green Lake County will cooperate with the Green Lake Association and
21 their partners in applying for, and administering said grant; and,
22

23 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee will act as a
24 representative for Green Lake Association and will apply for grant funding from the
25 WDNR pursuant to §281.68, Wis. Stats. and Wis. Admin. Code Ch. NR 193 ; and,

26 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Land Conservation Committee (LCC) agrees to carry out the
27 responsibilities associated with the grant procedure; and,

28 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake Land Conservation Committee agrees to assist the Green
29 Lake Association in the contribution of which include in-kind design, site construction
30 supervision and assistance with obtaining samples; and,

31 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County LCC is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant
32 from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of implementing
33 Green Lake County's Land and Water Resource Management Plan;
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35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County Board of Supervisors
36 authorize the County Administrator to act on behalf of the Green Lake Land Conservation
37 Committee to submit a signed grant application for each lake planning grant to the WDNR;
38 and enter into the grant agreement with the WDNR.

39 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Green Lake County Board of Supervisors
40 authorize the County Conservationist to act on behalf of the Green Lake Land
41 Conservation Committee to take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete
42 approved lake planning grants; and submit reimbursement claims along with the
43 necessary supporting documentation to the WDNR.
44

45 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Green Lake Association has budgeted a sum
46 sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project, leaving Green Lake County
47 with no cash match whatsoever and hereby authorize and empower the following
48 officials or employees to submit the following documents to the Wisconsin
49 Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance that may be available:

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Task	Title of Authorized Representative
Sign and submit a grant application	County Administrator
Enter into a grant agreement with the DNR	County Administrator
Take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project and bind the applicant	County Conservationist

Submit quarterly and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement, as appropriate	County Conservationist
Submit reimbursement request(s) to the DNR no later than the date specified in the grant agreement	County Conservationist
Sign and submit applicable documents	County Conservationist

51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that applicant will comply with all local, state and
52 federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share
53 agreement.

Fiscal note: none

RESOLUTION NUMBER -2021

**Resolution adding Soil Conservationist I position
in the Land Conservation Department**

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting on this 19th day of October 2021, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department had operated for over 25 years with 4
- 2 technical skilled positions (Soil Conservationists); and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, due to a retirement the fourth soil conservationist position was not filled as
- 4 a cost saving measure; and,
- 5 Fiscal note is found below.
- 6 Majority vote is needed to pass.

approved by Personnel disapproved by Personnel

Roll Call on Resolution No. -2021

Submitted by Land Conservation
Committee

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain

Robert Schweder, Chair

Passed and Adopted/Rejected this 19th
day of October 2021.

William Boutwell

County Board Chairman

Katie Mehn

ATTEST: County Clerk
Approve as to Form:

Patti Garro

Corporation Counsel

7 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department's technical skilled positions are
8 responsible for planning, designing, and installing best management practices (bmps)
9 within the County in order to keep our lakes, rivers, and groundwater clean from
10 contaminants; and,

11 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation has fallen short in the last year on our expectations
12 for installing bmp's from current WDNR grant funding due to the unfilled fourth position;
13 and,

14 **WHEREAS**, the Upper Fox Wolf Total Maximum Daily Load, a phosphorus reduction
15 plan recently completed in 2020 by the WDNR, requires up to 80% reduction of
16 phosphorus in sub-watersheds throughout Green Lake County increasing the
17 Department's workload tremendously; and,

18 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Department expects that several local lake
19 associations will receive grant funding to fulfill their most recent lake management
20 plans, and that the additional grants will cause the Department to fall further increase its
21 workload and,

22 **WHEREAS**, the County Administrator and the Land Conservationist have met and
23 discussed creating a fourth Soil Conservationist I position within the Department and the
24 Land Conservation Committee has considered the request and recommends the
25 additional position.

26 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that an additional Soil Conservationist I
27 position is created in the Land Conservation Department, effective January 1, 2022.

28 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the position shall be placed in Pay Group 11, and
29 per the County Administrator's recommendation, that starting salary should be at 90%
30 of the wage scale, is adopted.

31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the County Administrator shall budget for the position in
32 the 2022 budget.