

**Monroe County Natural Resource and Extension Committee**  
Regular Monthly Meeting – March 12, 2019  
Monroe County Ag Service Center – 820 Industrial Dr., Sparta, WI

Committee Members present: N. VanWychen, D. Pierce, J. Schroeder, W. Habegger, and A. McCoy.  
Also Present: B. Micheel (LC), C. Mulder (LC), J. Roll (History), C. Ziegler (Parks), B. Halfman (UW-EXT), C. Saxe (UW-EXT Area Dir.), M. Mickelson (DNR Forester), M. Modjeski (Warden), M. Komiskey (NRCS District Conservationist), J. Benes (Golden Sands), Phil Peterson (Wildlife Damage), Mark Drake, and Bob Sutton.

The meeting notice was posted in compliance with the open meeting law.

**Call to Order:** Chair N. VanWychen called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Public Comment Period:** None

**Approve Minutes from the February 19th NR & Extension Meeting:** The committee reviewed the minutes. *A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented by A. McCoy, second by D. Pierce. Motion carried 5-0.*

**Deke Slayton/Bike Museum:** None

**County Farms Education Funds:** None

**Local History Room/Wegner Grotto:** J. Roll gave an update on the move into the offsite storage facility and a brief discussion on using acid free boxes for storing on site. Supervisor Van Wychen announced that J. Roll has been nominated for the Governor's State Tourism Award (Report attached). *Motion was made by A. McCoy to accept the History Room and Museum reports as presented, second by D. Pierce. Motion carried 5-0.*

**Extension Office Business:**

1. **Review February Expenditures:** (Saxe) C. Saxe reviewed monthly expenditures.
2. **Family Living Position:** C. Saxe discussed a proposal for a 50% Health & Wellbeing position or adding FoodWise for an 80 - 100 % position. C. Saxe to discuss further at the next meeting.
3. **Office Relocation:** B. Halfman reported the extension office is partially moved due to the weather and renovations not being completed.
4. **4H & Youth Development Report** (Goede) – report attached.
5. **Agriculture Report** (Halfman) - report attached.
6. **AED Update** (Saxe) - None.  
*Motion made by A. McCoy to accept Agent reports and review of expenditures, second by D. Pierce. Motion carried 5-0.*

**NRCS Report:** M. Komiskey gave an update on the Farm Bill, stating they are experiencing delays in obligation of FY19 contracts, so considering planning implementation out to 2020 rather than 2019, availability of contractors may be slim this late in the year. Komiskey stated WRE- Wetland Reserve Easement program started this week for prior converted wetland before 1985 can be returned to wetland.

## Land Conservation Department:

1. **Review February Expenditures:** B. Micheel reviewed monthly expenditures.
2. **Review/Approve- Tri Creek Cropland Bid:** B. Micheel brought two bids to the committee. Hawk High Dairy at \$192.50 per acre (\$19,076.75 yr.) and Greg Larson at \$99 per acre (\$9,810.90 yr.). *Motion was made by D. Pierce to accept the higher bid, second by J. Schroeder. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
3. **Review/Approve-(MDV) Non-Lapsing Account Resolution:** *Motion was made by D. Pierce to approve Resolution as presented, second by W. Habegger. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
4. **Review/Approve Conservation Camp Scholarships:** *Motion was made by J. Schroeder to approve camp scholarships as presented, second by D. Pierce. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
5. **Review/Approve Fishing Easements:** B. Micheel presented two fishing easements to the committee- Ron Luethe and Mike Wiedl. *Motion was made by J. Schroeder to approve fishing easements as presented, second by D. Pierce. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
6. **County Conservatoinist Report:** B. Micheel announced Roxie Anderson will be filling the Land Use Planner position. Micheel mentioned 10,974 tree sold totaling \$9,486. Micheel reported the final approval for the Land & Water Resource Mgt. plan was presented at the County Board meeting on Feb 27<sup>th</sup> and the approved resolution has been forwarded to DATCP to complete the 10 year process. Micheel discussed the idea of hiring an intern to help staff with field work this summer. (Report attached).
7. **Soil & Water Conservatoinist Report:** C. Mulder reported working with the Village of Norwalk and watershed landowners (Jon Muehlenkamp, Mike Wiedl, & Ron Luethe) to create construction plans for streambank protection that will be able to receive phosphorous trading credits and is approaching landowners in a section of the Little LaCrosse River watershed for a potential Wetland Reserve Easement/restoration project. Mulder mentioned she met with Sparta Chamber of Commerce Executive Director John Hendricks and Sparta City Administrator Todd Fahning to discuss implementing trout fishing into a main attraction for Sparta- "Trails & Trout". (Reports attached).

**Wildlife Damage Abatement Program: Final Review/ Approve/Deny- 2018 Claims:** Peterson stated denial letters were mailed to Mark Drake and Bob Sutton. Mark and Bob both presented their claims to the board and each discussed the difficulties with the deer management requirements. Discussion followed with Peterson's input in the situation.

- A. *Motion was made by J. Schroeder to approve Bob Sutton's claim for \$1,171.23, second by D. Pierce. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
- B. *Motion was made by D. Pierce to approve Mark Drake's claim for \$1,083.90, second by J. Schroeder. Motion carried 5-0-1.*

**Golden Sands:** Josh Benes, Executive Director of Golden Sands RC&D, gave an update on the work Golden Sands RC&D is doing in Monroe County. He explained what RC&Ds (Resource Conservation & Development Councils) are and the service they provide to counties. Benes discussed the work the nonprofit does, the resources they have to assist, the services they provide, and items they sell. (Handouts provided).

## DNR Reports:

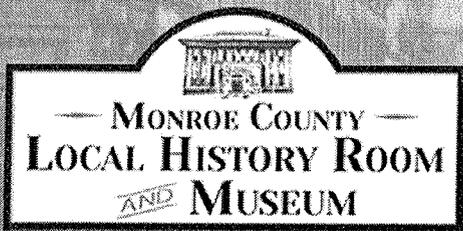
1. **Private Lands:** M. Mickelson reported Sean Davison was in Eau Claire at a meeting and asked her to relay to the committee that the State Nursery tree sales stock is low and are accepting phone and electronic orders at this time. Mickelson stated the next Invasive Meeting will be at the Justice Center on March 28<sup>th</sup> from 1 - 3 p.m.
2. **Warden:** Matt Modjeski explained that he has been working mostly snowmobile, fishing and deer feeding enforcement. Matt mentioned that fish habitat structures have been placed on the ice at Lake Tomah north of the Juneau Street public access.
3. **MFL:** None

**Forestry & Parks:**

1. **Forestry & Park Updates:** C. Ziegler mentioned a bid was out for the electric expansion and will review next month. (Report attached)
2. **Review/Approve Resolution Authorizing a Non-lapsing Capital Improvement Account:** *A motion was made by D. Pierce to approve the resolution as presented, second by A. McCoy. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
3. **Review/Approve Resolution Amending Monroe County Camping Fees:** *Motion was made by A. McCoy to approve the camping fees as presented, second by W. Habegger. Motion carried 5-0-1.*
4. **Review Forestry & Parks February Expenditures:** C. Ziegler submitted monthly expenditures.
5. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the Monroe County Ag Services Center in Sparta.

**Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 11:25

*Recorder: Connie Holzl*



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**LHR Director / County Historian's Report, February 2019**  
Submitted by Jarrod Roll

**Highlighted Projects and Activities by Jarrod Roll, Hannah Scholze, and Volunteers**

- Created draft of new brochure to promote county parks, as directed by the Monroe County Economic Development and Tourism Committee
- Began processing artifact donations to LHR, assigning accession numbers and home locations, as well as sorting backlog of collections waiting for permanent home locations
- Promoted next 2019 "History Live" public program, including emailing a press release and eblast
- Generated year-end reports and statistics, including calculating a 2018 income/expenses report
- Promoted Transportation Grant and LHR educational programming to county teachers
- Applied for AASLH and WHS awards for the A to Z exhibit, including drafting nomination narrative, consulting with critical reviewers, creating a budget, and listing research sources used
- Created PowerPoint presentation for the Economic Development Conference promoting the services LHR provides to the county and region
- Created labels to apply to new, acid-free microfilm boxes and shifted storage space for such
- Gave presentation to Sparta UCC Church about the history and mission of LHR
- Met with student about developing an app for LHR to have a touch screen interactive in the Barn exhibit

**In addition to the projects listed above, the Director supervises the following volunteer and support staff:**

- Hannah Scholze (Museum Services Associate): runs Facebook; teaches students; assists with research, exhibits, marketing, and most projects listed above, etc.
- Agnes Jenkins: indexing newspapers
- Dennis Burek: photo scanning projects; artifact cataloging; assist with clerical duties
- Barb Reedich: researching Monroe County schools; answer research requests; assist with exhibits
- Jane Schmidt: indexing marriage records and sorting through court records
- Jim Ebert: indexing newspapers
- Sandy Waltermann: creating a master index of Monroe County graduates
- Adam Balz: indexing jail and probate records; researching and writing about county topics
- Marilyn Beall: indexing birth records; assisting with exhibits and collections
- Barb Reisinger: indexing newspapers
- Sara Oostdik: processing images scanned from photos shared by patrons
- Kirstin Hoffland: on call employee who assists with a variety of office and library tasks



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Bill Halfman, Agriculture Agent

### **Agriculture Extension Highlights Update February 19, 2019 through March 12, 2019**

The Ag Agent presented information on updates on BQA certification and upcoming implementation of BQA-Transportation by some meat packers to Farmers First Dairy Cooperative on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The Annual Cattle Feeders workshop series was held February 26 & 27 at 4 locations around the state. The two locations at Gilmanton and Baldwin scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup> were cancelled due to the snow storm on Feb 24<sup>th</sup>. The location in our area once again was had the highest attendance with 80 participants at the workshop. Topics covered were: Management Practices to Control Costs in the Feedyard by Keynote speaker Dr. Garland Dahlke, Iowa State University, Direct Marketing Meat Considerations, Comparing Self Feeders to TMR bunk feeding, and a Market Outlook. The Ag Agent is one of the co- coordinators for this statewide workshop.

The Shifting Gears workshop series had enough participants to conduct the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the session. The Ag Agent along with the Vernon County Ag Agent prepared a presentation for the series on Risk Management considerations. The 3<sup>rd</sup> session will be held on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Ag Agent helped the Vernon County Ag Agent with a Pesticide Training to help them through their first one.

Ag Agents had a Farm Management In-service training on March 18 at Tomah. Kevin Bernhardt led discussions on farm financial analysis at the workshop.

The Ag Agent will be a featured speaker on a multi-state webinar series on utilizing retired dairy facilities for beef production in cooperation with Iowa State and Minnesota on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The Food Safety and Modernization Act certification training was held near Wilton for the Amish produce growers in that area on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Another workshop held in Cashton on March 11<sup>th</sup> that was open to the general public.

### **Upcoming Events- more to be added as they get finalized**

Mar 20 Regional Waterhemp Workshop- Bangor  
Mar 22 Multi-state Webinar on Beef Production  
Mar 26 Dairy Beef Conference- Sioux Falls S. Dakota  
Mar 28 Webinar make up for Gilmanton and Baldwin Cattle Feeders  
April 6 Shooting Sports Adult Certification Training- Lodi  
April 10 to 12 Maritime Beef Producers Conference- New Brunswick, Canada  
May 18 Shooting Sports Adult Certification- Phillips, WI



## Joshua L. Goede

### Area 13 4-H Meeting

On February 15<sup>th</sup> the 4-H staff from the Area 13 counties met in Richland County. The meeting was a great starting point to see what 4-H looks like in the other counties. The Agents each described some of the programming they were doing, and the discussion then turned to ways to collaborate. The biggest collaboration would be working together to host summer camp together. Scheduling seemed to be the biggest sticking point, but conversation will continue as the 5 counties work toward an Area 13 Summer Camp for 2020.

### AODA Opportunity w/Monroe County Safe Community Coalition

The Agents 4 Change has funding to take three more youth to the CADCA Conference. This year it will be Dallas, Texas. The Agent is finding participants to go to the conference as well as a female chaperone.

### Clover College/Jr. Leader Lock-In

On March 2<sup>nd</sup> the Jr. Leaders held the 2019 Clover College at Ft. McCoy's Pine View Camp Ground. They hosted 32 K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade youth from around the county. They offered learning sessions on centrifugal force, insects, livestock, and art. The Jr. Leaders also had snacks and recess. The snack was a fruit pizza with cookies donated from Steph's Cakes & Bakes. The Jr. Leader Lock-in followed Clover College. The youth had a productive meeting as well as some fun Hide & Seek.

### Festival of Arts

The annual Festival of Arts was held Saturday, March 9. We had over 30 performances and close to 200 arts and crafts on display. From the photography classes we chose the photos for the cover of the 2019 Monroe County Plat Book. Those youth with stand out

performances will be invited to perform at the "Blue Ribbon Variety Show" on Sunday of the 2019 Monroe County Fair.

### Fur, Fin, & Feather

April 13<sup>th</sup> will be the annual small animal show. Invitations have been sent across the state. The event brings 4-Hers and FFA members from as far away as the Fox River Valley.

### Shooting Sports

Shooting Sports practices finally lined out and have been going well. Archery and Air Rifle will run through the end of March with a wild game buffet and awards on April 1.

There are plans to offer powder sports later in the spring. The committee is working on the schedule. They are looking at two days a week for three weeks or six weeks at one day a week. The committee is talking to families currently in the archery and air rifle to see their thoughts about the schedule.

### Out Post

Monroe County will be planning another Outpost like last year. The program will be slightly shorter and will have a couple of different activities but otherwise will be mostly the same. Monroe County will open the program to all 5 Area 13 4-H program and county youth. This will be a cursory look at what working together might look like for all 5 of the counties. The dates will June 17-19.

### Other Summer Plans

The summer planning has started. The Agent has been looking at locations for our usual summer programs including Boys' and Girls' Science Days as well as Clover Camp.

## Continuing Programs

### COMING SOON

- April 1 Shooting Sports Awards Banquet
- April 13 Fur, Fin, & Feather
- April 25-29 WI 4-H Space Camp
- May 1 & 8 Student Gov't. Days
- June 17-19 Out Post Camp
- June 17 Clothing Preview
- June 24-27 WI 4-H & Youth Conference
- July 14-18 CADCA Mid-Year
- July 24-28 Monroe County Fair
- August 4-8 4-H Summer Camp

### ● Jr. Leaders

- The next Jr. Leaders meeting will be June 8<sup>th</sup>. They will be painting the food stand and then go

### ● Volunteers in Preparation

- There are classes scheduled for:
  - Thursday, March 21 @ 6:00-8:00 pm

# March 12th, 2019 - Staff Report

Bob Micheel - County Conservationist

## **LCD Business:**

- Land Use Planner Position: Roxie Anderson starts Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Tree Sales Update: 10,974 trees sold totaling \$9,486
- Monroe County CWD Task Force – Planning a CWD summit in two locations in Monroe County (Kickapoo Valley Reserve & Sparta) for May and August. Opportunity to educate the public on prevention & awareness.
- PL566 Dams – Peterson Dam – Rock hauled in for future crossing to dam (Leis Excavating); Baltz dam – (Manske & Sons) low bid.
- Multiple Discharger Variance (MDV) – Monroe County is receiving MDV dollars from municipalities participating in the phosphorous MDV program. The county receives payment to implement measures within the HUC 8 that covers practice cost and a percent of the administrative cost. Required to develop a non-lapsing account to carry funds over a period of years to implement phosphorous management practices (streambank stabilization, dams, nutrient mgt., etc.).
- Land & Water Resource Mgt. Plan: - Final approval received from County Board on February 27<sup>th</sup>. Approved resolution forwarded to DATCP to complete 10 year process.
- Private Well Testing – Working with the Health department to increase private well testing to establish base line water quality in Monroe County. Tests could include N, bacteria, or full pesticide/heavy metal analysis. Cost and scope of project to be determined.
- Political Chats – Met with representative Kind's office, Shilling, & Oldenburg recently to discuss PL566 dams, Farmland Preservation, groundwater, funding, etc.
- Flood Mitigation properties: County (Zoning Dept.) is receiving assistance to buy out displaced residents in the Little La Crosse River Watershed who are located in the flood plain. These purchases and structural removals will take place in 2020. LCD interested in creating and or maintaining access points for trout fishing and or canoe landings. Plan to meet with DNR as possible partners in development and maintenance of these sites.
- Soil & Water Resource Management – Cooperator Grant: Applying for an \$80,000 grant that would be available in 2020 for participating landowners in the two Agricultural Enterprise Areas. This would be a \$2,000 signup bonus for all new Farmland Preservation (FLP) participants. The objective is to double current FLP participation, which in turn protects Ag lands from non-Ag uses, while protecting water quality and improving soil health.
- Presentations: Area Technical Update Meeting; WLWCA Conference – Christina and I are presenting on CREP, Monroe County's success along with dam and stream design considerations relative to climate change; City of La Crosse – potential P-Adaptive Management/Trading program with municipalities in La Crosse County.

## **Meeting Schedule:**

- March 13-15<sup>th</sup> – WLWCA Conference
- March 19<sup>th</sup> – Monroe County CWD Task Force & CDAC – Meeting
- March 20<sup>th</sup> – Norwalk Dam – Flood Warning Training
- April 4<sup>th</sup> – Awards Committee/Tri-Creek Land Use Committee
- April 9<sup>th</sup> - Natural Resource & Extension Committee Meeting

## March 12, 2019-- Soil & Water Conservationist's Report

### Christina Mulder

- **Activities**

- Presented Certificates of Participation and Thank Yous to the two Cashton High School students who created the videos for the Land Stewardship Awards Banquet.
- Working with the Village of Norwalk and watershed landowners (Jon Muehlenkamp, Mike Wiedl, & Ron Luehe) to create construction plans for streambank protection that will be able to receive phosphorous trading credits.
- Working with Andre Paquette to install a fishing easement on a Tributary of the Little LaCrosse River
- Attended the NRCS Southwest Technical Update in Richland Center
- Approaching landowners in a section of the Little LaCrosse River watershed for a potential Wetland Reserve Easement and wetland restoration project.
- Met with Sparta Chamber of Commerce Executive Director John Hendricks and Sparta City Administrator Todd Fahning to discuss implementing trout fishing into Sparta's main attractions since it seems to be a hidden gem. "Trails & Trout"

### Bryce Richardson

- **Activities**

- Completing Designs and DNR Permits for 2019 projects
- Attended NRCS Technical Update in Richland Center
- Received all 2019 Annual Fees for Nonmetallic Mines. (\$18,200 Co. Share)
- Began Farmland Preservation Compliance Checks



**Golden Sands**  
Resource Conservation  
& Development Council, Inc.

**What is an RC&D?**

In 1962, an Act of Congress allowed the formation of Resource Conservation & Development Councils (RC&Ds) as a way for public & private entities to collaborate across county lines on large scale environmental issues.

**How did Golden Sands RC&D Form?**

In 1972, Earl Molstall, a County Board Supervisor from Monroe County, joined in with other County Board Supervisors in Marathon, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Jackson, Juneau, Adams, Waushara, and Marquette to form Golden Sands RC&D. All of these counties wanted to have a shared nonprofit organization that could work across county lines to promote conservation of Central Wisconsin's natural resources. The idea was to use this nonprofit as a tool to develop stronger partnerships and to build bridges between the conservation-related objectives of state and federal government agencies, county governments, municipalities, various conservation groups, grassroots organizations, teachers, farmers, woodland landowners, and conservationists. This RC&D would apply for funding opportunities that would help counties achieve their conservation efforts and also promote the use of federal, state, and local programs that constituents in these counties could use in their conservation efforts.

**Why are there county dues for an RC&D?**

Counties in central Wisconsin originally came together to form Golden Sands RC&D and each agreed to pay dues at that time. Each saw the potential that Golden Sands RC&D had to leverage more state and federal dollars toward conservation related projects that could serve their constituents. In order for Golden Sands RC&D to remain operational and pay for some administrative expenses, the nonprofit requires buy-in from each of its 12 counties. Each county is asked to pay voluntary dues of \$1,900 a year.

**What projects does Golden Sands RC&D currently do that benefit Monroe County?**

**Woods and Wildlife for Today & Tomorrow:** Golden Sands RC&D was awarded a federal grant from the US Forest Service to assist landowners to form woodland cooperatives. In Monroe County, we have pulled together 19 landowners with over 3,000 acres of land in the townships of Adrian and Ridgeville to form several DMAP cooperatives. Everyone involved in these cooperatives get a site visit from a DNR Wildlife Biologist and Forester, who provide them recommendations for what can be done on their properties to improve wildlife habitat. These landowners also have access to discounted forest management plans, assistance with the coordination to hire a logger together, and assistance to apply for habitat restoration projects through EQIP or through the DNR.

**Central Wisconsin Invasives Partnership:** Golden Sands RC&D is coordinating a new Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CISMA) named the Central Wisconsin Invasives Partnership (CWIP). We have been awarded funds from the state and the Ruffed Grouse Society to organize a partnership and organize terrestrial invasive species educational and mapping initiatives. We are bringing together partners across Central Wisconsin who work on invasive species management in Adams, Juneau, Waushara, Marquette, Portage, and Wood Counties. Monroe was part of this partnership in the beginning, but with the formation of its own CISMA, we both concluded that CWIP could work with the Monroe County CISMA as a partner. Therefore, we are hoping to serve Monroe County through this partnership by managing for invasives on Monroe County's eastern front before specific invasives make it to Monroe County.

**What can be purchased through Golden Sands RC&D?**

Golden Sands RC&D sells a number of useful and unique conservation resources on our website and in our main office, including: Bat Houses, Bluebird Houses, Tree Shelters, AIS playing cards, Acrylic Block Specimens (made-to-order), 'Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers' Fishing Bobbers, Aquatic Plant Field Guides, and other books.

### What Co-employment contracts is Golden Sands RC&D involved in that serve Monroe County?

**Central Wisconsin Windshed Partnership (CWWP):** Golden Sands RC&D serves a co-employment contract with CWWP on providing the human resources support needed for LTE labor. This organization works with local farmers to plant trees at the edge of farmer's fields to establish windbreaks, shelterbelts, and living snow fences. Farmers work with the CWWP and their LTEs to qualify for cost share programs and are guaranteed a 95% survival rate of trees planted. CWWP works out of the Hancock Agricultural Research Station and serves farmers throughout Central Wisconsin. A demonstration plot is also available at this research station where farmers can learn more about the benefits of installing windbreaks.

**NRCS Soil Conservationists:** Golden Sands RC&D has two Soil Conservationists that are working through us in a co-employment contract with the NRCS in Wisconsin Rapids and Waupaca. We will be bringing on two more in March 2019 that will be out of the Viroqua and Prairie du Chien offices. The employees in Wisconsin Rapids and Viroqua should have Monroe County in their service area. These Soil Conservationists will be performing on-site inventory and evaluations, conducting necessary preliminary surveys, and providing recommendations for feasible practices to solve resource concerns that will help control erosion and conserve soil and water.

### How can Golden Sands RC&D further assist Monroe County?

**Watershed Management Planning:** Joshua Beneš, Executive Director of Golden Sands RC&D, has six years of experience monitoring nutrients, measuring flow, and calculating nutrient loading for stream ecosystems. He also has experience with community engagement around natural resource management, including an internship he completed assisting Marathon County with the community engagement portion of one of their 9-key element watershed plans. His work provided guidance to the county on forming "The Eau Pleine Partnership for Integrated Conservation" (EPPIC). He would be willing to assist counties in any way he can in writing plans and/or working with private citizens in specific watersheds to build a community capacity around water resource management.

**Regional Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) program:** Monroe County may have the opportunity in future years to partner with Golden Sands' Regional AIS program. One approach would be for Monroe and Juneau counties to form a regional AIS program. Adams county would fit nicely as well depending on the direction of their AIS program. This year, Golden Sands RC&D is working with Taylor, Marathon, Portage, Waupaca, Waushara, Wood, Marquette, and Green Lake counties on a unified AIS program. We have two full-time coordinators and seasonal staff that work on AIS education, training volunteers, biocontrol projects, lake surveys, public outreach, watercraft inspections and other statewide AIS events.

### What contracted services can Golden Sands RC&D offer?

**Seminars/Presentations on:** Invasive species; bio-control; native plants and ecology; groundwater; lake management planning; native wetland plants; & rain gardens

**Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Help:** Invasive species management; identification and removal training; scuba/snorkel team for AIS removal; lake, river and wetland surveys with mapping and summary; Eurasian Water Milfoil bio-control surveys; Purple Loosestrife biocontrol & lake management guidance

**Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Management:** Wildlife habitat improvement; assistance forming woodland cooperatives; managing for terrestrial invasive species; & Emerald Ash Borer municipal planning

**Agriculture:** Managed grazing & neighborhood gardens

**Other Services:** Shoreland inventories; residential rainwater runoff consultation; & grant writing assistance

### How does Monroe County remain represented within Golden Sands RC&D?

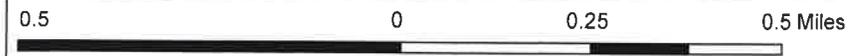
Monroe County's Natural Resource & Extension Committee has the ability to delegate two members to our council. At least one of the individuals needs to be serving as a county board member. The other can be any other person chosen by the LCC to represent the county. Currently, both seats for Monroe County are vacant on our council. We highly encourage Monroe County to appoint members to our council so that they can be represented. At our meeting on March 21st, we are test driving an option for council members to attend online if they wish. This is one way Monroe County could get more involved in collaborating with Golden Sands RC&D by attending this meeting remotely.



# WDACP (Deer) Mark Drake



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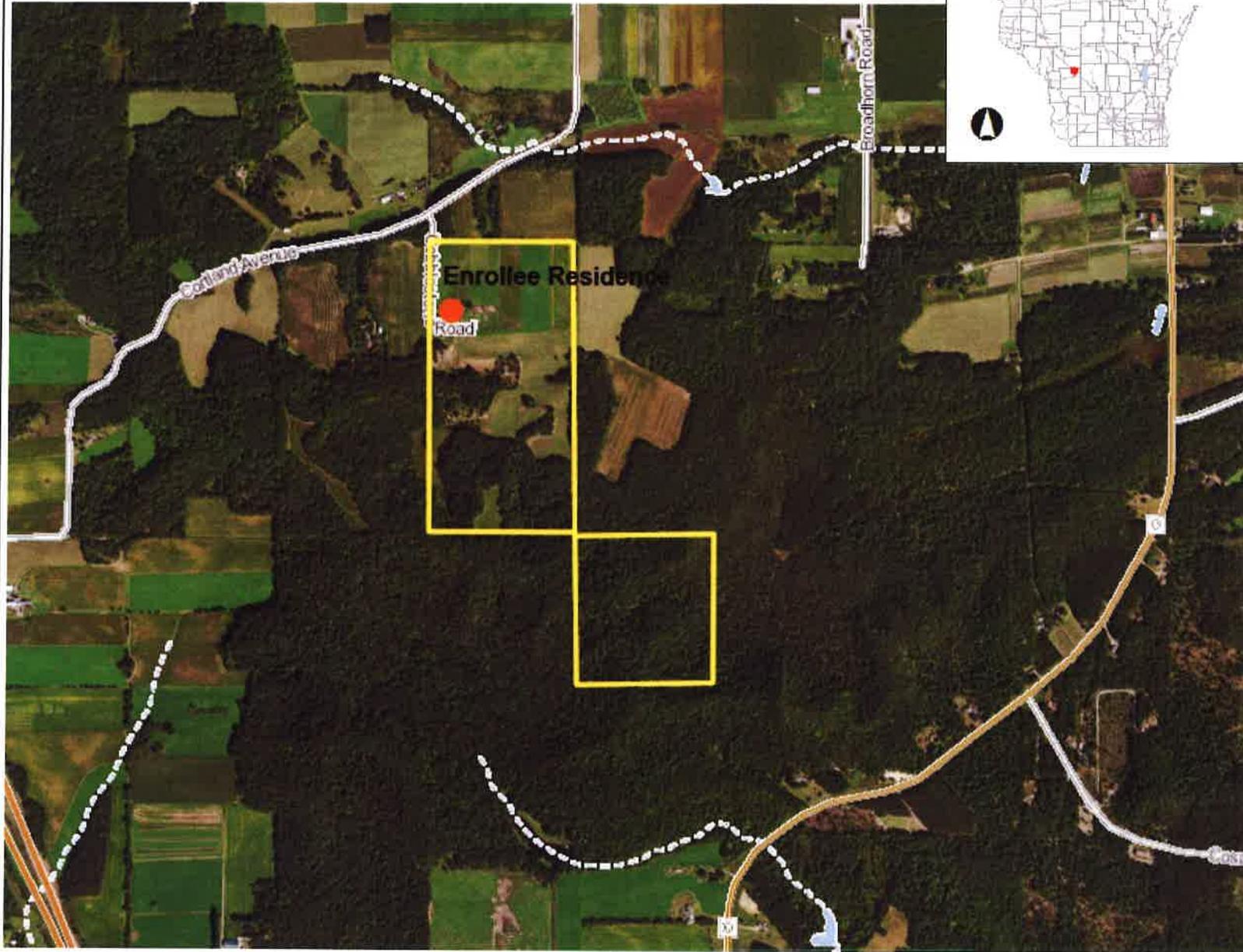
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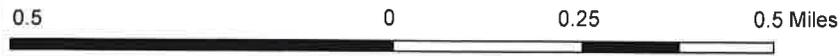


# WDACP (Deer & Bear) Bob Sutton



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## Notes

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## Forestry & Parks Report (March) – Ziegler

### Forestry:

- Active Sale 145, Town of Byron
  
- Misc.
  - WCFA conference call
  - Summer Tour planning

### Parks:

- Electric expansion
  
- Department Head Meeting

### Snowmobile:

- Prepare 2019-20 Snowmobile Grant Contract
- Maintenance approvals

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A NON-LAPSING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT**

**WHEREAS**, Monroe County has been providing public recreation opportunities since 1958 with the construction of Wazeda Park (currently McMullen Memorial County Park); and

**WHEREAS**, the demand for recreational opportunities, improved facilities and operational costs have increased substantially during the past 61 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe County Park Department has returned significant amounts of surplus revenue to the General Fund in the past several years; and

**WHEREAS**, the fees charged to campers at Monroe County parks should be used to maintain and improve the parks for future use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Natural Resources and Extension Committee realizes that the park will need significant Capital Improvements in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, future funding sources for maintenance, repairs and improvements is unknown.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Monroe County Board of Supervisors that they do hereby authorize the Finance Department to reassign the Park Department's surplus revenue each year going forward. Surplus revenue shall be determined upon the close of the fiscal year accounting. These funds will be placed in a Parks Capital Improvements account, which shall be a non-lapsing account with a maximum balance of \$200,000.00.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

Offered by the Natural Resources and Extension Committee

**Purpose:** This resolution will authorize a non-lapsing capital improvement account for the Park Department to have funds for future park maintenance and improvements.

**Fiscal note:** This resolution will authorize reassignment of surplus park revenue, for 2019 and future years, into a Park Capital Improvements account. Per Wisconsin Statute sec. 65.90 this resolution will require a 2/3rds vote of the entire membership of the Monroe County Board of Supervisors for approval. Spending of these funds will also require a 2/3rds majority unless the improvements are included in the annual county budget.

Reviewed as to form on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Andy Kaftan, Corporation Counsel

Finance Vote (If required):  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Absent

Committee of Jurisdiction Forwarded on: 3/12 2019  
5 Yes 0 No 1 Absent  
Committee Chair: Nody Vaneppschen  
Alan M... David A...  
Walter H... James L. Schroeder

ADOPTED  FAILED  AMENDED  
 OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
County Board Vote on: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Absent

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF MONROE  
I, SHELLEY R. BOHL, Monroe County Clerk, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing  
is a true and correct copy of Resolution # \_\_\_\_\_ acted on by the County  
Board of Supervisors at the meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
SHELLEY R. BOHL, MONROE COUNTY CLERK  
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**RESOLUTION AMENDING MONROE COUNTY CAMPING FEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe County Natural Resources and Extension Committee has reviewed the camping fee structure for the Monroe County Parks Department and determined that changes would be appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, a *camping unit* is defined as any single shelter except sleeping bags and hammocks used for a camp by a camping party except those used exclusively for dining purposes or as otherwise interpreted and applied by the Parks Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe County Natural Resources and Extension Committee recommends the following adjustment of fees for the Parks Department:

- (a) Daily Rate. **\$23.00** per night per camping unit for all sites except the primitive sites (\$18.00 per night for primitive sites). (Amended from \$21.00 and \$15.00)
- (b) Weekly Rate. **\$145.00** per camping unit for any consecutive seven day period for all sites. (Amended from \$125.00)
- (c) Monthly Rate. **\$450.00** per camping unit for any consecutive thirty day period for all sites. (Amended from \$375.00)
- (d) Seasonal Rate. **\$2,000.00** per camping unit for any 6 month period of time between April 1st and November 30<sup>th</sup>. (Amended from \$1,600.00)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Monroe County Board of Supervisors that the camping fees for the Monroe County Parks Department are adjusted as stated above and shall be effective upon passage.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that going forward the camping fees shall be reviewed and determined by the Natural Resources and Extension Committee or subsequent committee having jurisdiction over the Monroe County Parks Department.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

Offered by the Natural Resources and Extension Committee

**Purpose:** Establish camping rates for the Monroe County Parks Department and the process of committee review and determination of the camping rates.

**Fiscal note:** May increase park revenue.

Reviewed as to form on \_\_\_\_\_

Andy Kaftan, Corporation Counsel

Committee of Jurisdiction Forwarded on: 3/12 2019  
5 Yes 0 No 1 Absent

Committee Chair:

*Dodji Vanuigapera*  
*David Abouie*  
*James L. Schreder*  
*Alon McHugh*

Finance Vote (If required):

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Absent

ADOPTED  FAILED  AMENDED

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

County Board Vote on: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Absent

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