

RESOLUTION NO. 20-15

AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF THE 135+/- ACRES OF CLAY BLUFFS CEDAR GORGE AREA IN THE TOWN OF GRAFTON FOR INCLUSION IN THE OZAUKEE COUNTY PARK SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County has the opportunity to acquire an environmentally significant parcel, known as the Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge consisting of 135 +/- acres, part of the NW ¼ and SW ¼, Section 3 and part of the NW ¼, Section 10, T. 10 N., R 22 E., City of Port Washington, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, as an official Ozaukee County Park; and

WHEREAS, acquisition of the parcel will protect 0.7 miles of Lake Michigan shoreline and additional acres of unique and environmentally significant lands for public use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Board approves the acquisition and designation of approximately 135 +/- acres, part of the NW ¼ and SW ¼, Section 3 and part of the NW ¼, Section 10, T. 10 N., R 22 E., City of Port Washington, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, as an official Ozaukee County Park in the Ozaukee County Park System for passive-use, non-motorized, outdoor recreational public use and development with the support of grants applied for by the Planning and Parks Department and Ozaukee Washington Land Trust; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ozaukee County will contribute an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to support the acquisition; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department is directed to seek out grant applications to cover the balance of the initial acquisition cost and to report any funding deficit to the Natural Resource Committee and the County Board; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department is also directed to seek out grant applications as the primary funding source to support the provision of public access and initial development of the park; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Ozaukee County Board Chairperson and County Administrator in consultation with Corporation Counsel and Finance Director to execute all documents and obtain appropriate reimbursement guarantees prior to authorizing the County Treasurer to release the County funding to effectuate the acquisition of the property.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 1st day of July 2020.

SUMMARY: Resolution authorizing the acquisition of the 135 +/- acres of Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge for inclusion in the Ozaukee County Park System

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

County Board Chairperson, Lee Schlenvogt

County Board Vice Chairperson, Paul Melotik

Natural Resources Committee Chairperson, Donald Korinek

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**VOTE RESULTS: Passed By Majority Vote**

YES: **20** NO: **3** ABSTAIN: **0** ABSENT: **3**

Winker	NO
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Haas	NO
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Jobs	YES
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Schlenvogt	YES
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Clark	YES
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Nelson	YES
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Becker	YES
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Larson	YES
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Grabow	NO
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Melotik	YES
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Wolf	YES
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Richart	YES
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Korinek	YES
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Herro	YES
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Geracie	Second	YES
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Duecker	YES
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Krieg	EXCUSED
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Wirth	YES
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Ross	Motion	YES
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Marchese	YES
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Strom	EXCUSED
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Holyoke	YES
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Henrichs	EXCUSED
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Braverman	YES
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Read	YES
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Minkel-Dumit	YES
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