

RESOLUTION NO. 20-31

SUBMITTAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF A WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS GRANT FOR PRAIRIE AND WOODLAND RESTORATION ACTIVITIES IN THE LITTLE MENOMONEE RIVER FISH AND WILDLIFE AREA COUNTY PARK

WHEREAS, the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department was invited to apply for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids grant funding under a competitive request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has grant funding available through the County Conservation Aids program specifically for the installation of fish and game projects under s. 23.09(12), Wis. Stats; and

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County desires to participate in county fish and game projects pursuant to provisions of s. 23.09(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the primary project goal is to restore native prairie, savannah, and woodland in the Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Area, an Ozaukee County Park, in the City of Mequon; and

WHEREAS, this project is consistent with the adopted *Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035*, the adopted *Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035*, the *Ozaukee County Land and Water Resource Management Plan*, and the *Regional Natural Areas and Critical Species Habitat Protection and Management Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin*; and

WHEREAS, this project will assist with invasive species management and improve upland and riparian habitat for native and imperiled species of insects (pollinators), birds and other wildlife in the park, by restoring native prairie (e.g. mesic warm-season prairie, wet/sedge meadow and savannah) and riparian woodlands; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Wisconsin enacted legislation providing for allocation to the respective counties in that state on an acreage basis for county fish and game projects on the condition that the counties match the state allocation; and

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County has budgeted an amount equal to the local share of project costs and the required match funds would be provided by in-kind staff time, equipment and supplies, and volunteer labor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors that the Director of the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department is authorized on behalf of Ozaukee County to sign and submit a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids grant application, accept the grant funding award, take necessary actions to initiate, direct, and complete the approved project within the provided funding timeline, submit to WDNR reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within one (1) year of project end date, and will obtain approval in writing from the WDNR before any change is made in the use of the project site; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ozaukee County will comply with all the federal and state laws related to the County Conservation Aids program, may perform force account work,

and will maintain complete and accurate project accounting according to the WDNR project agreement for these funds.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 2nd day of September, 2020.

SUMMARY: Acceptance by the Planning and Parks Department of a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids grant for prairie and woodland restoration activities in the Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Area County Park.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: N. Minkel-Dumit, Supervisor District 26

SECONDER: B. Ross, Supervisor District 19

AYES: Korinek, Jobs, Holyoke, Minkel-Dumit, Ross

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VOTE RESULTS: Passed By Majority Vote

YES: **24** NO: **0** ABSTAIN: **0** ABSENT: **2**

Winker	YES
Haas	YES
Jobs	YES
Schlenvogt	YES
Clark	YES
Nelson	YES
Becker	YES
Larson	YES
Grabow	YES
Melotik	YES
Wolf	YES
Richart	YES
Korinek	Second YES

Herro	EXCUSED
Geracie	YES
Duecker	YES
Irish	YES
Wirth	YES
Ross	Motion YES
Marchese	YES
Strom	EXCUSED
Holyoke	YES
Henrichs	YES
Braverman	YES
Read	YES
Minkel-Dumit	YES