

WISCONSIN WATERWAYS COMMISSION AGENDA & RECORD**April 8, 2025**In Person & Teams Meeting
Meeting Minutes Recorded: Ellie Crabb

Presenter/ Time	Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
9:30 AM	1. Call to Order	Members Present: Chair, Roger Walsh (RW) and Co-Chair Bruce Neeb (BN), Jan Allman (JA) (virtual), and Korin Doering (KD)(virtual). Absent: Mary McPhetridge Others Present: Bobbi Winebar (BW), Chris Halbur (CH), Jessica Terrien (JT), Pat Anderson (PA), Gina Keenan (GK) (virtual), Cheryl Housley (CLH) (virtual), Mary Rothenmaier (MR) (virtual), applicants and members of the public.	Meeting called to order at 9:34 AM by RW.
	2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting	Minutes of September 9, 2024	Motion by RW, seconded by BN and KA to approve the minutes of September 9, 2024. Discussion: Previous minutes correction - Page 8: MM abstained, not MP Page 9: request was reduced due to removal of shelter Page 10, paragraph 14: City of New London clarification Page 11: No one seconded Bruce's motion clarification – there was no second Motion carried unanimously to fix previous minutes.
	3. Department Report	Fund Condition (see attached budget)	BW presented the budget indicating that we started with a total appropriation of \$3,400,000 for SFY2025 and recently added \$15,814.45 from this year fiscal year's bonded under spending and \$68,516.40 from SEG underspending. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No enumerations from legislature.• Total funding commitments thus far: \$3,094,887.43.• Total funds available this meeting: \$389,443.42.

	<p>4. Recreational Boating Project Review and Action</p>	<p>Projects and funding requests at this meeting:</p> <p>INLAND & GREAT LAKES PROJECTS</p> <p>Category: Development & Renovation Projects Listed in Ranking Order</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. City of New London Riverside Launch Overflow Parking, Dock and Access Path, Grant Request \$211,595.93 2. Village of Kewaskum Kayak Launch, Grant Request \$11,981.00 3. Calumet County Stockbridge Boat Harbor Seawall, Grant Request \$47,000.00 4. Town of Milltown Antler Lake Boat Launch Replacement, Grant Request \$24,725.50 5. Town of Ainsworth Renovation of Rolling Stone Lake Launch, Grant Request \$12,500.00 <p>Category: Aquatic Plant Harvesting Equipment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Wind Lake Management District Aquatic Plant Harvester & Trailer, Grant Request \$55,230.00 7. Wandawega Lake District Aquatic Plant Harvester, Conveyor & Trailer, Grant Request \$117,750.00 – Deferred 8. Rice Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District Aquatic Plant Harvester & Trailer, Grant Request \$147,561.88 	<p>Project presentations:</p> <p>INLAND & GREAT LAKES PROJECTS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presented and Priority Funded at Sept. 9, 2024 Meeting: City of New London Riverside Launch Overflow Parking, Dock and Access Path: The current parking facility is difficult to maneuver. It is a high traffic facility as it borders another park. As a result, many users park on nearby county road. Proposed project includes an additional dock to accommodate high use, improvements to the safety of pedestrians on Highway X by eliminating roadside traffic issues, better boat service to community, and ease of parking. Proposal also includes improvements to accessibility. 2. Village of Kewaskum Kayak Launch: Proposed project includes an ADA compliant launch. A temporary launch site exists near the dam, but access to it is difficult and parking is limited. The restroom is ADA compliant, on site and accessible by bridge across river. 3. Calumet County Stockbridge Boat Harbor Seawall: Proposed project includes repairing the harbor seawall on Lake Winnebago, planting a prairie area with split rail fence, and installation of stairs and drain tile. The harbor is owned by the DNR, but Calumet County has an agreement to manage it. Portions of the seawall have given way, with the southeast section being the worst part. A proposed solution is to excavate and remove sections of concrete and install tile. 4. Town of Milltown Antler Lake Boat Launch Replacement: The current boat landing is in poor shape due to erosion. Clumps of trees
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		Finding of Feasibility	<p>JA made a motion to find all projects feasible. BN seconded motion.</p> <p>BN has question about ADA compliance and slope with Antler Lake project. BN questions feasibility of ADA parking, and suggests coming back with new proposal. KD questions whether feasibility of ADA parking was looked into, to which the reply was none. BN questions whether someone with disabilities can navigate down to launch. If not, project might not be</p>

			<p>feasible. Switchback suggested but needs looking into.</p> <p>RW made motion to call vote to find all projects feasible. BN seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
		Project placement on priority list	<p>BN made a motion to approve the placement on the priority list as shown. JA seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
		Recommendations for project funding	<p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. City of New London Riverside Launch Overflow Parking, Dock and Access Path: for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$211,595.93. BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously. <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Village of Kewaskum Kayak Launch for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$11,981.00. KD seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously. <p>KD made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Calumet County Stockbridge Boat Harbor Seawall, for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$47,000.00, JA seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously. <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Town of Milltown Antler Lake Boat Launch Replacement for 50% total project costs, not to exceed \$24,725.50, KD seconded. KD highly encourages to take a closer look at if there is a feasible way to provide ADA accessibility. Motion carried unanimously. <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Town of Ainsworth Renovation of Rolling Stone Lake Launch for 36% of total project costs, not to exceed \$8,923.00. BN

			<p>seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <p>6. Wind Lake Management District Aquatic Plant Harvester & Trailer for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$55,230.00, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>7. Wandawega Lake District Aquatic Plant Harvester, Conveyor & Trailer - Deferred</p> <p>8. Rice Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District Aquatic Plant Harvester & Trailer - Deferred</p> <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <p>9. Rice Lake Association Aquatic Plant Eco-Harvester, Trailer & Dump Trailer for 25% of total project costs not to exceed \$29,987.99. JA seconded. KD highly recommends considering getting cutting bar for more adaptive approach. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>10. Squash Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District DASH Pontoon - Deferred</p>
	5. Public Comments		Last WWC meeting for Bobbi as she will be retiring in the middle of July. Patrick Anderson will be taking over future meetings and RBF program.
	6. Next Meeting/ Location		TBD; Location: TBD
	7. Adjournment		Motion by BN to adjourn at 11:20 AM, seconded by JA. Motion carried unanimously.