

**WISCONSIN WATERWAYS COMMISSION AGENDA & RECORD**

**April 9, 2024**

In Person & Teams Meeting  
Meeting Minutes Recorded: Ellie Crabb

Presenter/ Time	Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
11:00 AM	<b>1. Call to Order</b>	<p><b>Members Present:</b> Chair, Roger Walsh (RW) and Co-Chair Bruce Neeb (BN), Jan Allman (JA) (virtual), and Korin Doering (KD) (virtual).</p> <p><b>Others Present:</b> Bobbi Winebar (BW), Sara deBuijn (SD), Cheryl Housley (CLH), Chris Halbur (CH), Jessica Terrien (JT), Pat Anderson (PA), Gina Keenan (GK) (virtual), Mary Rothenmaier (MR) (virtual), applicants and members of the public.</p>	Meeting called to order at 11:10 AM by RW.
	<b>2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	Minutes of November 14, 2023	Motion by BN, seconded by JA to approve the minutes of November 14, 2023. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.
	<b>3. Department Report</b>	Fund Condition (see attached budget)	<p>BW presented the budget indicating that we started with a total appropriation of \$3,400,000 for SFY2024 plus \$0.50 carryover from SEG funds and recently added \$243.50 to bonded and \$37,722.33 to SEG from underspending.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No enumerations from legislature.</li> <li>• Total funding commitments thus far: \$2,155,096.55.</li> <li>• Total funds available this meeting: \$1,282,869.28.</li> </ul>
	<b>4. Recreational Boating Project Review and Action</b>	<p>Projects and funding requests at this meeting:</p> <p><b>INLAND &amp; GREAT LAKES PROJECTS</b></p> <p><b>Category: Development &amp; Renovation Projects Listed in Ranking Order</b></p>	<p>Project presentations:</p> <p><b>INLAND &amp; GREAT LAKES PROJECTS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Village of Hustisford Neider Park ADA Kayak Launch: Neider Park is the main public access point for Lake Sinissippi. The other access point is 7 miles away, neither of which are ADA compliant. The main</li> </ol>

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Village of Hustisford Neider Park ADA Kayak Launch, Grant Request \$23,997.00</li> <li>2. City of Chetek Rec Boating Facility Cost Amendment, Grant Request \$59,490.50</li> <li>3. Village of Salem Lakes Camp Lake Boarding Dock, Grant Request \$12,850.00</li> <li>4. Village of Salem Lakes Center Lake Boarding Dock, Grant Request \$11,690.00</li> <li>5. Village of Salem Lakes Rock Lake Boarding Dock, Grant Request \$15,000.00</li> <li>6. Burnett County Devils Lake Public Access Improvements, Grant Request \$134,800.00</li> <li>7. City of Portage Wayside Park Canoe/Kayak Launch, Grant Request \$30,274.00</li> <li>8. City of Muskego Idle Isle Boat Launch Replacement, Grant Request \$75,000.00</li> <li>9. City of Menomonie Point Comfort Park Ramp &amp; Parking Lot Reconstruction, Grant Request \$244,191.50</li> <li>10. City of Fond du Lac Lakeside West Boat Launch Access Driveway, Grant Request \$84,225.00</li> </ol>	<p>goal is to improve and make the lake accessible to all. The proposed project is to extend the pathway to create an ADA compliant path and kayak launch, increasing recreational opportunities on Lake Sinissippi.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. City of Chetek Rec Boating Facility Cost Amendment: Economic impacts caused price change from original plan. Work was deferred and did not take place due to high tourist season and other projects taking place. New ramp is proposed to be longer and wider than previous ramp and have rip rap. Ramp serves as only public launch.</li> <li>3. Village of Salem Lakes Camp Lake Boarding Dock: There are currently 5 access points on the lake. Proposed project is for installation of a removable boarding dock.</li> <li>4. Village of Salem Lakes Center Lake Boarding Dock: There is only one public boat landing on the lake. Proposed project is for installation of a removable boarding dock.</li> <li>5. Village of Salem Lakes Rock Lake Boarding Dock: Previously, there was a private access point that was later sold. Since then, there has not been an adequate access point aside from a set of stairs to carry down canoe. Proposed project is for installation of a removable boarding dock.</li> <li>6. Burnett County Devils Lake Public Access Improvements: Phase 2 includes installing a new boat ramp, restroom facility and improving access driveway. New restroom facility is to be ADA complaint. Existing boat ramp is currently gravel but a new design is proposed to help the ramp stay in place and prevent future damage. The proposed ramp plan consists of driving sheet pile down to hold ramp in place. Proposed plan is to also pour</li> </ol>
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		<p><b>Project placement on priority list</b></p>	<p>BN made a motion to approve the placement on the priority list as shown. KD seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
		<p><b>Recommendations for project funding</b></p>	<p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Village of Hustisford Neider Park ADA Kayak Launch for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed</li> </ol>

			<p>\$23,997.00, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:  3. Village of Salem Lakes Camp Lake Boarding Dock for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$12,850.00, JA seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:  4. Village of Salem Lakes Center Lake Boarding Dock for 50% of amendment total project costs, not to exceed \$11,690.00, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:  5. Village of Salem Lakes Rock Lake Boarding Dock for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$15,000.00, JA seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:  6. Burnett County Devils Lake Public Access Improvements for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$134,800.00, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:  7. City of Portage Wayside Park Canoe/Kayak Launch for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$30,274.00, JA seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>8. <i>City of Muskego Idle Isle Boat Launch Replacement, Grant Request \$75,000.00; Not funded at this time.</i></p> <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:  9. City of Menomonie Point Comfort Park Ramp &amp; Parking Lot Reconstruction for 45% of total project</p>
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			<p>\$93,532.97, KD seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>BN Made a motion to approve a grant for:  14. Town of Oma Pine Lake Restroom Upgrades for 49.4% of total project costs, not to exceed \$10,489.16, JA seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:  15. Village of White Lake Village Beach Park Boat Launch Improvements for 49.4% of total project costs, not to exceed \$173,065.59, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:  16. Village of Pewaukee Aquatic Plant Harvester Refurbishment for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$16,387.25, JA seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>JA made a motion to approve a grant for:  17. Village of Pewaukee Aquatic Plant Harvester for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$158,550.00, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>BN made a motion to approve a grant for:  18. Buffalo Lake P&amp;RD Aquatic Plant Harvester Refurbishment for 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$64,831.96, KD seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>JA made a motion to fund the remaining balance of this fiscal year's funding to:  2. City of Chetek, BN seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
	<p><b>5. Public Comments</b></p>		<p>None</p>

	<b>6. Next Meeting/ Location</b>		August 20, 2024; Location: TBD
	<b>7. Adjournment</b>		Motion by RW to adjourn at 3:00 PM, seconded by BN Motion carried unanimously.

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