

Chairperson: Supervisor Gerry Broderick, 278-4237
Clerk: Carol Mueller, 278-4228
Research Analyst: Julie Esch, 278-4430

PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 8, 2009 - 9:00 A.M.
Milwaukee County Courthouse - Room 201-B

M I N U T E S

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

PRESENT: Supervisors Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb* and Broderick (Chair)

**Supervisor Lipscomb was not present at roll call but appeared shortly thereafter.*

Transportation and Public Works – 3

1. 09-433 From the Interim Director of Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to apply for and accept a Wisconsin Focus on Energy Staffing grant to offset labor costs for energy efficiency projects. **(Also to the Committee on Transportation, Public Works and Transit)**

APPEARANCE(S):

Stevan Keith, Director of Sustainability

There is no match required for the grant. The money would be slated for labor cost regarding 2010 energy projects.

MOTION BY: (Sanfelippo) Approve. (Vote 6-0)

AYES: Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, and Broderick (Chair) - 6

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: Lipscomb

2. 09-468 From the Green Print Work Group, requesting Milwaukee County adopts a sustainable purchasing policy and creates an advisory committee that will report to the Green Print Work Group.

APPEARANCE(S):

Stevan Keith, Director of Sustainability

Julie Esch, County Board, Research Analyst

The intent is to create a formal plan with specification on green products. There would be safeguards in place not to impede the purchasing of products. This

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report would act as a starting point that will be enhanced.

Ms. Esch informed the Committee that the report included the Parks Department as a member of the product advisory committee. This is not reflected in the resolution.

MOTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Amend the Be It Resolved Clause to add the Parks Department as a member of the product advisory committee as noted in the report. (Vote 6-0)

AYES: Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, and Broderick (Chair) - 6

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: Lipscomb

MOTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Approve as amended. (Vote 6-0)

AYES: Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, and Broderick (Chair) - 6

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: Lipscomb

3. 09-469 From the Green Print Work Group requesting that Milwaukee County become a member of the Southeast Wisconsin Watershed Trust.

APPEARANCE(S):

Stevan Keith, Director of Sustainability

Upon joining the Trust, one staff employee from the Department of Parks and Transportation and Public Works would be assigned to become members.

MOTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Approve. (Vote 6-0)

AYES: Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, and Broderick (Chair) - 6

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: Lipscomb

Real Estate - 1

4. 09-14 From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC),
(a)(n) requesting approval of the County Grounds/UWM Habitat Restoration Plan.
(Also to the Committee on Economic and Community Development)
(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)

APPEARANCE(S):

Craig Dillmann, Manager, Real Estate Services

Kevin Haley, Parks, Landscape Architect

Jim Goulee, Preserve Our Parks

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

The Committee was informed that the Economic and Community Development Committee laid this item over to the Call of the Chair with the intent to have a special meeting tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at 9 a.m. All members are welcome to attend and participate in the discussion.

Mr. Haley and Mr. Dillmann discussed at length the changes proposed by the Habitat Restoration Plan in regards to the original purchase agreement. Questions and comments ensued regarding the habitat protection area, access to the habitat area, retail development, total acreage development, habitat management responsibility, guarantees regarding the habitat, roadways and the ability of the Committee and Board members to review the written plan including the benefits and responsibilities of Milwaukee County regarding the changes made to Out Lots 1 and 2.

The original agreement included a clause of nine-months to complete the preliminary changes to the plan. The habitat agreement and time for the City of Wauwatosa to approve the plan and make the necessary changes to codes and building restrictions is part of this timeframe. This clause expires April 30, 2010.

Mr. Goulee was allowed to voice his concerns regarding parkland in the development area.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

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5. 09-456 From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC), requesting authorization to prepare and execute the necessary contractual agreements with various arts groups through the Milwaukee County Artistic, Cultural and Musical Programming Advisory Council (CAMPAC).

APPEARANCE(S):

Mary Cannon, Chairman CAMPAC

Ms. Cannon thanked Milwaukee County for their continued support for the arts. She went into a detailed description of funding for the many groups. The formula used to distribute money was created approximately 15 years ago. It was created and approved by multiple cultural groups. The funding is on a percentage basis where the smaller merging organizations receive a larger percentage of funding.

Chairperson Broderick thanked Ms. Cannon for her 20 plus years of service, along with the other 8 volunteer members. He noted that years ago the program had a budget of more than one million dollars.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

MOTION BY: (Rice) Approve. (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

NOES: - 0

6. 09-457 From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC), requesting that Milwaukee County adopt a resolution authorizing Milwaukee County officers or employees to sell fermented malt beverages in public parks operated by Milwaukee County.

APPEARANCE(S):

Paul Kuglitsch, Parks, Contract Services Officer

Sue Black, Director, Parks Recreation and Culture

Mr. Kuglitsch reported to the Committee that the County has not adopted a resolution giving authority to County officers or employees to sell fermented malt beverages in the parks. This is required by Wisconsin State Statute and was an oversight.

Private/public partners are required to have a license issued in the municipality that they reside. When having public events that have private/public partners, the private partner applies for a temporary permit from the city where the event is held.

MOTION BY: (Rice) Approve. (Vote 6-0)

AYES: Sanfelippo, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 6

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: Coggs

7. 03-547 (a) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC), a report on DPRC's 2010 Milwaukee County Agricultural Land Lease Policy.

(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)

APPEARANCE(S):

Paul Kuglitsch, Parks, Contract Services Officer

Guy Smith, Parks, Deputy Regional Manager

Sue Black, Director, Parks Recreation and Culture

Milwaukee County Parks is the landlord for approximately 1, 000 acres of agriculture land. All current agriculture lease agreements expire December 31, 2009. Responses from 14 of the 18 leaseholders have been received. This policy will allow Parks to have a uniform policy in effect. Agreements vary and are for one, three or five years. By working with the United States Department of Agriculture and the Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection

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Agency, the Parks has developed rates that are comparable or slightly less than privately owned lands. Historically, the agriculture lease program helped maintain these lands with a minimal revenue return, which benefited both the farmers and Milwaukee County.

Milwaukee County also receives federal money for the Conservation Reserve Program. This program will be phased out in the near future. When the funding for this program ends, the land will revert back to natural lands.

Supervisor Rice requested the Parks Department provide the County Board with the list of agricultural lease agreements including the location and lease payments. Additionally, provide the same information for the micro lots that are in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin Extension program.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

Staff Present:

Mr. Stevan Keith, Director of Sustainability
Mr. Craig Dillmann, Manager, Real Estate Services
Mr. Kevin Haley, Parks, Landscape Architect
Mr. Paul Kuglitsch, Parks, Contract Services Officer
Mr. Guy Smith, Parks, Deputy Regional Manager
Ms. Sue Black, Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture
Ms. Julie Esch, County Board, Research Analyst

This meeting was recorded. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes, along with the audio recording of this meeting, are available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting: Approximately 9:06 a.m. until 11:07 a.m.

Carol Mueller

Carol Mueller, Committee Clerk

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

DEADLINE FOR THE PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

The next regular meeting for the Parks Committee is **January 26, 2010**. All items for the agenda must be in the Committee Clerk's possession by the end of the business day on **Tuesday, January 12, 2010**.

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