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## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 3, 2010 - 10:00 A.M.  
Milwaukee County Courthouse - Room 201-B

### MINUTES

#### SCHEDULED ITEMS:

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

**EXCUSED:** Coggs

#### Parks

1. 09-297 Report from Titus on an adopted resolution authorizing Milwaukee County to pursue a hydroelectric feasibility study of the Estabrook Dam. (a)(a) **(Laid over 1/26/10. Report from Corporation Counsel on Lipscomb motion regarding Estabrook Dam.)**

#### **APPEARANCES:**

John Jorgensen, Corporation Counsel, Principal Assistant  
Supervisor Theo Lipscomb, District 1  
Kevin Haley, Parks, Landscape Architect

Based on the report from Corporation Counsel, Mr. Jorgensen stated that Milwaukee County is under no obligation with the proposed or revised motion. This is a policy direction of the Board.

Supervisor Lipscomb provided a revised motion that addresses some concerns of the Committee.

Mr. Haley informed the members that the Parks Department is having independent consultants review the Titus proposal and Parks will present those findings to the Committee when completed.

***MOTION BY: (Lipscomb) Approve a motion as submitted to Committee today and put into the format of a resolution for consideration at the County Board meeting February 4, 2010. (Vote 5-1)***

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, and Lipscomb -5

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

**NOES:** Broderick (Chair)-1  
**EXCUSED:** 0

**Resolution**

2. 10-76 A resolution by Supervisor Larson, establishing a community garden site on a portion of the County-owned former Southshore Railway along South Sixth Street between W. Rosedale Avenue and W. Plainfield Avenue.

**APPEARANCES:**

Supervisor Chris Larson, District 14  
Carolyn Johnson, Assistant Director, UW Extension  
Kevin Haley, Parks, Landscape Architect

The land, under consideration to be used for community gardens, is along South Sixth Street between West Rosedale and Plainfield Avenues. This land has been owned by Milwaukee County since 1983 and according to the original file (82-1039) the land is not available for sale.

The University of Wisconsin-Extension will be the stewards of the land and will handle the rental and make the land usable for 20 by 20 foot plots. The whole area is approximately 6 acres. Only a small area, starting on the north end, will be used at this time.

The gardens will be implemented this growing season, if approved by the Board. This will be temporary use of the land for a one-year period. If the gardens are successful, consideration will be made next year to expand southward within the said area.

The Chairman of the Committee directed the research analyst to inform the Chair of the Economic and Community Development Committee of the plans for the community gardens. Any concerns can be addressed at the County Board meeting.

***MOTION BY: (Rice) Refer to the Economic and Community Development Department. (Vote 1-5)***

**AYES:** Rice-1

**NOES:** Sanfelippo, Dimitrijevic, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair)-5

**EXCUSED:** 0

Motion failed.

**SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):**

***MOTION BY: (Larson) Approve. (Vote 5-1)***

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Dimitrijevic, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair)-5

**NOES:** Rice-1

**EXCUSED:** 0

Staff Present:

Mr. John Jorgensen, Corporation Counsel, Principal Assistant

Mr. Kevin Haley, Parks, Landscape Architect

Ms. Carolyn Johnson, Assistant Director, UW Extension

Ms. Sue Black, Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture

Ms. Sara Jankowski, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, Department of Administrative Services

Ms. Pamela Bryant, Capital Finance Manager

Ms. Julie Esch, County Board Research Analyst

Mr. Glen Bultman, County Board, Research Analyst

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Length of meeting: Approximately 10:05 a.m. until 10:40 a.m.

*Carol Mueller*

Carol Mueller, Committee Clerk

**DEADLINE FOR THE PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:**

The next regular meeting for the Parks Committee is **March 9, 2010**. All items for the agenda must be in the Committee Clerk's possession by the end of the business day on **Tuesday, February 23, 2010.**

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