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## WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

### BRIEF OF ACTION

For meeting at:  
Room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2)  
101 South Webster Street  
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

The hybrid meeting of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board was held on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, from room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2), 101 S. Webster Street, Madison, Wisconsin 53703. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. for action on items 1-4 and 7-8. The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:55 p.m.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

**At 0:02:53 Chair Kazmierski welcomed newly seated board members Paul Buhr and Sandra Dee Naas.**

**At 0:04:13 Chair Kazmierski welcomed newly appointed Department Secretary Adam Payne.**

1. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS (0:17:30 – 0:19:05)

A. Calling the roll (0:17:30 – 0:17:49)

Paul Buhr – present  
Sharon Adams – present  
Terry Hilgenberg – present  
Marcy West – present

William Smith – present  
Sandra Dee Naas – present  
Greg Kazmierski - present

B. Approval of agenda for January 25, 2023

**At 0:18:51 Sandra Dee Naas MOVED, seconded by William Smith approval of the agenda for January 25, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.**

2. CONSENT (0:19:08 – 0:19:51)

A. Approval of brief of action from December 14, 2022

B. Acknowledgment of Donation – The Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin has donated \$20,000. This donation will be used to support of the restoration and management of Southern Kettle Moraine State Natural Areas, especially for the benefit of grassland pollinators and birds.

(Adam Payne, Department Secretary)

~~C. Acknowledgement of Donation – Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin, Inc. donated \$33,204.34. This donation will be used to support resources within the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Fund~~

~~(Adam Payne, Department Secretary) DELETED~~

~~D. Acknowledgement of Donation – Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) donated \$18,124.00. This donation will be used to fund elk research in the state of Wisconsin, most frequently to pay data fees on electronic monitoring collars.~~

~~(Adam Payne, Department Secretary) DELETED~~

**At 0:19:40 Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Marcy West approval of the consent agenda for January 25, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.**

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA - NONE

4. ACTION ITEMS (0:20:02 – 1:32:15)

ADOPTION (0:20:02 – 0:42:42)

A. Request adoption of Board Order DG-04-22, proposed rules affecting chapter NR 140 relating to setting numerical standards to minimize the concentration of polluting substances in groundwater (Cycle 10 Bacteria)  
(Bruce Rheineck, Groundwater Section Chief)

**At 26:06 Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Sharon Adams approval of the department's recommendation. At 0:34:04 The motion carried unanimously.**

B. Request that the Board adopt Board Order CF-13-19, proposed rules affecting Chapter NR 166 related to streamlining, updating, and improving Safe Drinking Water Loan Program processes and procedures.

(Matthew Marcum, Manager, Environmental Loans Section)

**At 0:40:32 Marcy West MOVED, seconded by Terry Hilgenberg approval of the department's recommendation. At 0:43:39 the motion carried unanimously.**

SCOPE STATEMENTS (0:42:45 – 0:48:22)

C. Request that the Board approve the Statement of Scope for Board Order WA-11-22 and conditionally approve the public hearing notice and notice of submittal of proposed rules to the Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse, for proposed rules affecting chapters NR 500 to 524 related to landfills, solid waste management fees, financial responsibility and reporting requirements

(Kate Strom Hiorns, Recycling and Solid Waste Section Chief)

**At 0:45:32 William Smith MOVED, seconded by Sandra Dee Naas approval of the department's recommendation. At 0:48:22 the motion carried unanimously.**

MISCELLANEOUS (0:48:30 – 1:32:20)

D. Request approval of department recommendations for the 2023 bear harvest quotas.  
(Randy Johnson, Large Carnivore Specialist)

Public Appearances (01:01:53 – 1:03:10)

1. Rob Bohmann, Wisconsin Conservation Congress

**At 1:03:16 Sandra Dee Naas MOVED, seconded by William Smith approval of the department's recommendation. At 1:32:09 the motion carried unanimously. At 1:32:40 the Chair moved to Item 5 of the Agenda.**

5. OPEN FORUM (1:33:48 – 2:15:47)

1. **Travis Dagg**, West Marshland, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

2. **Scott DeRocker**, Grantsburg, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

3. **Greg Gaffney**, West Marshland, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

4. **Rich Goodwin**, West Marshland, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

5. **Kerry Harter**, West Marshland, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

6. **Shari Harter**, West Marshland, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

7. **Jenny Kreuser**, Village of Grantsburg, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

8. **Wayne Lake**, Grantsburg, representing self

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

9. **Dutch Shultz**, Grantsburg, representing Town of Grantsburg

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

10. **Duke Tucker**, West Marshland, representing Town of West Marshland

*Topic:* GLGP Master Plan Revision

11. **Michael Foy**, Madison, representing

*Topic:* CWD Management

12. **Laurie Groskopf**, Tomahawk, representing self

*Topic:* Wolf Management

4. ACTION ITEMS (con't) (2:15:56 – 3:20:30)

- E. Request approval of department recommendations for the Fisheries Management 2023 spring fish and wildlife hearing agenda  
(Meredith Penthorn, Fisheries Management Policy Specialist)

Public Appearances (2:24:55 – 2:41:08)

1. **Dave Orf, Hudson**, Hudson Rod Gun and Archery Club

2. **Turk Gierke**, Representing Croixsippi Fishing Guide Service

**At 2:41:17 Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Marcy West approval of the department's recommendation. At 3:09:00 the motion carried unanimously.**

- F. Request approval of the Wildlife Management 2023 spring fish and wildlife hearing agenda.  
(Scott Karel, Wildlife Regulation Policy Specialist)

**At 3:16:25 Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Paul Buhr approval of the department's recommendation. At 3:17:54 the motion carried unanimously.**

- G. Request approval of Land Donation – Northern Highland - American Legion State Forest – Vilas County  
(Jim Lemke, Real Estate Section Chief)

**At 3:19:40 Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Sharon Adams approval of the department's recommendation. At 3:20:29 the motion carried unanimously.**

6. INFORMATION ITEMS (3:20:42 – 4:11:58)

- A. Report and preliminary results of the 2022 deer seasons.

(Casey Krueger, Chief Warden; ~~Kimberly Currie Customer and Outreach Services Bureau Director~~ Jamie Adams, Field Operations Section Manager for COS; Jeff Pritzl, Deer Program Specialist; Katie Grant, Office of Communications)

7. DEPARTMENT SECRETARY'S MATTERS (4:12:00 – 4:19:24)

A. RETIREMENT RECOGNITION

1. Mark R. Cain, Watershed Management, 33 years
2. Susan M. Fisher, Waste and Materials, 37 years

**At 4:16:05 Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Marcy West to recognize the department retirees. The motion carried unanimously.**

B. DEPARTMENT SECRETARY'S MATTERS

1. Commercial Fishing Update
2. Acts of the Department Secretary – Real Estate Transactions

8. BOARD MEMBERS' MATTERS (4:19:25 – 4:41:10)

- A. Election of Officers: Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary (4:19:30 – 4:21:31)

**Chair Kazmierski**, at 4:19:43 opened nominations for Secretary, and Sharon Adams was nominated for Secretary.

**At 4:20:17, the motion to elect Sharon Adams as Secretary carried unanimously.**

**Chair Kazmierski**, at 4:20:20, opened nominations for Vice-Chair, and Marcy West was nominated for Vice Chair.

**At 4:20:53, the motion to elect Marcy West as Vice-Chair carried unanimously.**

**Chair Kazmierski**, at 4:20:55, opened nominations for Chair, and William Smith was nominated for Chair.

**At 4:21:17, the motion to elect William Smith as Chair carried unanimously.**

- B. Board Member Matters (4:21:47 – 4:41:10)

**Sharon Adams**, at 4:21:52, requested the board be updated on clean water and PFAS

**Terry Hilgenberg**, at 4:22:45, would like a public hearing in February on the Wolf Management Plan. At 4:32:43 requested a white paper on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress, along with the dates of meetings.

**Marcy West**, at 4:24:43, None

**William Smith**, at 4:25:00, None

**Sandra Dee Naas**, at 4:25:06, would like information on fisheries using Panoptix camera technology; Would like to ensure the department responds to the message from the citizen with the elk issue

**Paul Buhr**, at 4:25:52, would like to see more recruitment advertising with next year's deer season; Requested more information on the WCC

**Chair Greg Kazmierski**, at 4:27:23 would like the NRB to have a resolution drafted for the next meeting regarding a portion of stewardship funding being used for maintenance; Would like to see the WCC Spring Hearing meetings back next year. At 4:38:30 Chair Kazmierski thanked the department and board for the opportunity to serve as Chair, along with recognizing Dr. Frederick Prehn and William Bruin's service on the board.

**At 4:41:10, Terry Hilgenberg MOVED, by Marcy West to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.**

**The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:55 p.m.**

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