RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

<u>Public Works Committee</u> Initiated by

Public Works Committee & Parks Advisory Committee Submitted by



John Traynor, Parks Manager Drafted by

November 1, 2019
Date Drafted

ACCEPTANCE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS GRANT FUNDS AND AMENDING PARKS BUDGET

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Wisconsin enacted legislation providing for allocation to the respective counties in that state on an acreage basis for the county fish and game projects, including conservation of resources and habitat, on the condition that the counties match the state allocation; and

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WHEREAS, Rock County made application to participate in unallocated county fish and game projects pursuant to provisions of s.23.09(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes and as authorized by county board resolution 18-10A-099; and

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WHEREAS, \$5,000 is in the 2019 budget as an estimated amount for this grant in 2019; and

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WHEREAS, matching grant funds totaling \$3131 are available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, but less than the estimated budgeted amount, and a resolution accepting the same is required; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parks Manager be hereby authorized and directed to sign the grant agreements and that these documents be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Parks Manager be authorized to file all necessary documents for administration and reimbursement of this program

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amendment of the Department of Public Works Parks Division 2019 Budget as follows:

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29		Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amended Budget
30	Sources of Funds Parks:			
31	41-4592-4788-42200	\$5,000	(\$1,869)	\$3,131
32	DNR Conservation Grant	,		
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34	Use of Funds Parks:			
35	41-4592-4788-64900	\$5,000	(\$1,869)	\$3,131
36	Grant Expenses			

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Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

absent Betty Jo Bussie, Chair

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PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dean Paynter

Tom Presny

FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

Reviewed and approved on a vote of $5 \cdot 0$:

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution accepts the DNR Conservation grant and amends the budget to equal the amount of the final grant award.

Sherry Oja

Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2019 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

Richard Greenlee

Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

ounty Administrator

-EXECUTIVE SUMMARY-

ACCEPTANCE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS GRANT FUNDS AND AMENDING PARKS BUDGET

Each Wisconsin County is allocated a certain amount of money annually to fund small projects on a 50/50 match basis. This year we will be using our allocated funds to help pay for invasive species control at Carver-Roehl and Magnolia Bluff Parks.

Rock County was originally allotted \$1,927 in County Conservation Aids grant funds. An additional \$1,204 in County Conservation Aids grant funds have become available, for a total award of \$3,131 for 2019. The recommended 2019 budget includes \$5,000 for this grant. This resolution accepts the \$3,131 in County Conservation Aids funds and reduces the 2019 budget from \$5,000 to \$3,131.

The invasive species control work will include burning, prairie planting, prairie restoration, mowing and invasive species removal at Carver-Roehl and Magnolia Bluff Parks. The invasive species to be controlled using this grant are Common Buckthorn, Honeysuckle, Siberian Elm, Garlic Mustard, and White/Yellow Sweet Clover. Other native but negative woody growth from Sumac, Rubus species, Elm, Boxelder, and Cherry has invaded areas of the State Natural Areas inhibiting growth of native flora and white/bur oak regeneration. These woody species will also be considered in the restoration activities.

Though this funding source required a 50% match by the County, all time and materials supplied by the Parks and Highway Divisions, as well as other community resources, may be used as in-kind match.