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NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

BRIEF OF ACTION

The regular meeting of the Natural Resources Board was held on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 in Room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2), Madison, Wisconsin. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. for action on items 1-7. The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organizational Matters

1.A. Calling the roll

William Bruins – present	Preston Cole – present
Christine Thomas – present	Jane Wiley – present
Terry Hilgenberg – present	David Clausen – present
Greg Kazmierski – present	

1.B. Approval of agenda for May 23, 2012

Secretary Stepp requested the Gerald E. Tarman, Joel March Wildlife Area (File Number - WM 60172) acquisition of 41.06 acres in Polk County be removed from 2.A. – Real Estate Transactions and added to the agenda as a separate action item, 2.B. Real Estate Transactions – Gerald E. Tarman, Joel March Wildlife Area (File Number - WM 60172) acquisition of 41.06 acres in Polk County.

The reason for this change is to address the letter the department received from the Town of Beaver “...opposing any further incursion of the State infringing on private land in the Town of Beaver.”

Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.

1.C. Approval of minutes from March 28, 2012

Mr. Kazmierski MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Ratification of Acts of the Department Secretary

2.A. Real Estate Transactions

Ms. Wiley MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole. The motion carried unanimously.

2B. Real Estate Transaction – Gerald E. Tarman, Joel March Wildlife Area (File Number WM 60172) acquisition of 41.06 acres in Polk County (Added during 1.B. Agenda Approval)

Dr. Thomas MOVED approval, seconded by Ms. Wiley.

Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED to amend, seconded by Dr. Thomas, so that agriculture use be provided on the 30 acres of hay land for a period of up to five (5) years, provided there is an agriculture user.

Chair Clausen called the question.

The motion to amend carried 6 - 1.

**William Bruins – yes
Christine Thomas – yes
Terry Hilgenberg – yes
Greg Kazmierski – yes**

**Preston Cole – yes
Jane Wiley – no
David Clausen – yes**

The original motion as amended carried unanimously.

3. Action Items
3.A. Air, Waste, Water, and Enforcement
None

3.B. Land Management, Recreation, Fisheries, and Wildlife
3.B.1 Request approval on the use of trail cameras on department managed lands

Mr. Kazmierski MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins. The motion carried unanimously.

3.B.2 Land Acquisition and Project Boundary Modification - Chippewa Moraine State Recreation Area - Chippewa County

Ms. Wiley MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.

3.B.3 Land Acquisition - Pershing Wildlife Area - Taylor County

Mr. Hilgenberg requested that any future purchases be presented to the Board with property management for agriculture land.

Ms. Wiley MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole. The motion carried on a voice vote of 6 - 1.

3.B.4 Land Acquisition - Statewide Public Access - Walworth County

Mr. Cole MOVED approval, seconded by Dr. Thomas.

Chair Clausen called the question.

The motion to approve carried 4 - 3.

**William Bruins – no
Christine Thomas – yes
Terry Hilgenberg – no
Greg Kazmierski – yes**

**Preston Cole – yes
Jane Wiley – no
David Clausen – yes**

3.B.5 Land Acquisition - Turtle Flambeau Scenic Waters Area - Iron County

Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole. The motion carried unanimously.

3.B.6 Land Acquisition and Sale - White River Fishery Area - Bayfield County

Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Ms. Wiley. The motion carried unanimously.

3.B.7 Land Donation - Glacial Habitat Restoration Area - Winnebago County

Dr. Thomas MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Ms. Wiley. The motion carried unanimously.

3.B.8 Land Donation - New Auburn Wildlife Area - Barron County

Mr. Bruins MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.

3.B.9 Easement Acquisition – Forest Legacy Program – Douglas, Washburn, Burnett, and Bayfield Counties

Dr. Thomas MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole.

Mr. Cole requested that the communication strategy include ecological values, social values, and job creation. The department should be talking about this once it is approved. DNR is doing the business of the people. This is an opportunity where we got it right.

The motion carried unanimously.

3.C. Scope Statements

3.C.1 Request approval of the statement of scope for Emergency Board Order WM-02-12(E) related to establishing the 2012 migratory bird hunting season framework

Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole. The motion carried unanimously.

3.C.2 Request approval of the statement of scope for Board Order WM-08-12 and Emergency Board Order WM-09-12(E) related to establishing wolf hunting and trapping regulations and a depredation program

Mr. Kazmierski MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Clausen requested a motion to go into Executive Session under the authority of s.19.85(1)(e) Wisconsin Statutes, for the purpose of discussing litigation matters.

Dr. Thomas MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Cole.

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

William Bruins – yes	Preston Cole – yes
Christine Thomas – yes	Jane Wiley – yes
Terry Hilgenberg – yes	David Clausen – yes
Greg Kazmierski – yes	

Dr. Clausen reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. Chair Clausen reported that during the Executive Session no action was taken.

4. Citizen Participation

4.A. Comeback Champs – Kirtland’s Warbler

5. Board Members’ Matters

Dr. Thomas requested the department explore extending turkey season each year through Memorial Day.

Mr. Hilgenberg expressed his appreciation to staff on the Legacy Forest Project in the Spooner area. It was a privilege touring the property with Bill Smith, Northern Region Land Leader, and Richard Steffes, Real Estate Director, and that of the new northern region headquarters. The mapping for the Legacy Forest Project included detailed mapping that entailed a lot of GIS and legal work. He applauded staff on doing a great job.

- 6. Special Committees' Reports
None

- 7. Department Secretary's Matters

- 7.A. Retirement Resolutions

- 7.A.1 Jon C. Brand

- 7.A.2 Vera Starch

- 7.A.3 David G. Wyman

Dr. Thomas MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Hilgenberg of the retirement resolutions. The motion carried unanimously.

- 7.B. Donations

- 7.B.1 Operating Engineers Local 139 Training Center will donate time and equipment for design and earthwork for renovations to the Wautoma Public Shooting Range, at a value greater than \$15,000

Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Dr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

- 7.B.2.a. Wisconsin State Parks Concession Program Update

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

- 7.B.2.b. Devil's Lake Concession Corporation will donate \$164,583 to remodel the Chateau at Devil's Lake State Park

Mr. Cole MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Dr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

- 7.B.3 The Ruffed Grouse Society will donate \$29,540 to support ruffed grouse and woodcock habitat projects on Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources properties

Mr. Bruins MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Dr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

- 7.B.4 Safari Club International will donate \$25,000 to DNR Science Services to support Wisconsin's white-tailed deer research program

Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.

- 8. Information Items

- 8.A. Air, Waste, Water, and Enforcement

- 8.A.1 Update on Regulatory and wetland reform legislation

Mr. Cole requested the department clarify on the department's website as to what DNR's role is on fugitive dust vs. what local jurisdictions have in terms of monitoring and control (include burn barrels, etc.).

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

- 8.B. Land Management, Recreation, Fisheries, and Wildlife

- 8.B.1 Spring Hearing/Meeting Wildlife Management Advisory Question Results

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

8.B.2 Spring Hearing/Meeting Fisheries Management Advisory Question Results

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

8.B.3 Wisconsin Conservation Congress (WCC) 2012 Advisory Question Summary and Annual Convention Report

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

8.B.4 Wisconsin Conservation Congress (WCC) outline for participation in a formal strategic planning process

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

Mr. Cole MOVED, seconded by Kazmierski to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

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