

JANUARY 28, 2009

## NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

### BRIEF OF ACTION

The regular meeting of the Natural Resources Board was held on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 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 4:30 p.m.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organizational Matters

1.A. Calling the roll

David Clausen – present	Preston Cole – present
Jonathan Ela – present	Gary Rohde – present
John Welter – present	Christine Thomas – present
Jane Wiley – present	

1.B. Approval of agenda for January 28, 2009

**Mr. Rohde MOVED, seconded by Mr. Ela approval of the agenda for January 28, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.**

1.C. Approval of minutes from December 9-10, 2008

**Mr. Ela MOVED, seconded by Dr. Clausen approval of the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

2. Ratification of Acts of the Department Secretary

2.A. Real Estate Transactions

**Dr. Clausen MOVED, seconded by Mr. Ela approval of the real estate transactions. The motion carried unanimously.**

3. Action Items

3.A. Air, Waste, and Water/Enforcement

3.A.1 Approval of the 2009 – 2011 Legislative Proposal Package

**Dr. Clausen MOVED, seconded by Ms. Wiley approval of the 2009 – 2011 Legislative Proposal Package. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.B. Air, Waste, and Water/Enforcement

None

3.C. Land Management, Recreation, and Fisheries/Wildlife

3.C.1 Request Adoption of Board Order ER-08-08, revisions to NR 27, relating to the list of Endangered and Threatened Species

**Mr. Ela MOVED, seconded by Mr. Rohde approval of the Request for Adoption of Board Order ER-08-08, revisions to NR 27, relating to the list of Endangered and Threatened Species. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.2 Request Approval of bear harvest quotas for the 2009 season

**Dr. Clausen MOVED, seconded by Ms. Wiley approval of the Request for Approval of bear harvest quotas for the 2009 season. The motion carried unanimously.**

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3.C.3 Request Authorization for Public Hearings on FH-01-09, proposed fishing and clamming regulations changes for 2009 Spring Fish and Wildlife Rules Hearings

Mr. Welter MOVED, seconded by Mr. Rohde adoption of the Request for Authorization for Public Hearings on FH-01-09, proposed fishing and clamming regulations changes for 2009 Spring Fish and Wildlife Rules Hearings.

Mr. Welter MOVED to amend the rule as presented to include one sauger within the 5 fish harvest in Lake Winnebago. Mr. Rohde accepted as a friendly amendment.

The original motion as amended carried unanimously.

3.C.4 Request Authorization for Public Hearings on WM-01-09, proposed Wildlife Management 2009 Spring Hearing Rule changes

Mr. Welter MOVED, seconded by Ms. Wiley approval of the Request for Authorization for Public Hearings on WM-01-09, proposed Wildlife Management 2009 Spring Hearing Rule changes. The motion carried unanimously.

3.C.5 Congress Matters: Wisconsin Conservation Congress 2009 Spring Hearing Advisory Questions

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN**

3.C.6 Request Authorization for Public Hearings on Board Order FH-21-08, revisions to Chapter NR 25, commercial fishing – outlying waters

Dr. Clausen MOVED, seconded by Mr. Cole approval of the Request for Authorization for Public Hearings on Board Order FH-21-08, revisions to Chapter NR 25, commercial fishing – outlying waters. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Thomas recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with agenda item 4.A.1.

4. Citizen Participation – 1:00 p.m.

4.A. Citizen Recognition

1. 2007 and 2008 Rebecca Wallace Award

**2007 Recipient:** David A. Zebro, Regional Enforcement Leader, Law Enforcement, Spooner - Northern Region

**2008 Recipient:** Cheryl Bougie, Storm Water Management Specialist, Green Bay - Northeast Region

4.B. Citizen Participation

Dr. Thomas continued with Agenda Item 3.C.7.

3.C.7 Land Acquisition – Ice Age Trail – Waushara County

Mr. Ela MOVED, seconded by Dr. Clausen approval of the Land Acquisition – Ice Age Trail – Waushara County. The motion carried unanimously.

3.C.8 Land Acquisition – Northern Highland/American Legion State Forest – Oneida County

Mr. Cole MOVED, seconded by Ms. Wiley approval of the Land Acquisition – Northern Highland/American Legion State Forest – Oneida County. The motion carried unanimously.

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3.C.9 Land Acquisition – Peter Helland Wildlife Area – Columbia County

**Mr. Welter MOVED, seconded by Mr. Rohde approval of the Land Acquisition – Peter Helland Wildlife Area – Columbia County. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.10 Land Acquisition - C.D. (Buzz) Besadny Fish and Wildlife Area – Kewaunee County

**Mr. Ela** asked if the project boundary should be expanded to include the southern portion of the acquisition.

**Ms. Wiley MOVED, seconded by Mr. Ela approval of the Land Acquisition - C.D. (Buzz) Besadny Fish and Wildlife Area – Kewaunee County and expansion of the project boundary. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.11 Land Donation – Statewide Natural Area and Grand Traverse Island State Park – Door County

**Mr. Cole MOVED, seconded by Mr. Ela approval of the Land Donation – Statewide Natural Area and Grand Traverse Island State Park – Door County. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.12 Land Donation – Statewide Natural Areas – Crawford County

**Mr. Cole MOVED, seconded by Mr. Welter approval of the Land Donation – Statewide Natural Areas – Crawford County. The motion carried on a voice vote. Mr. Ela abstained from the vote.**

**Dr. Thomas** continued with Agenda Item 5.B.

5. Board Members' Matters

5.A. Election of Officers (taken up at the end of the meeting)

5.B. Review of Natural Resources Board Question(s) for the 2009 Spring Fish and Wildlife Hearings

**Mr. Cole** requested the following board advisory question be added to the 2009 Spring Fish and Wildlife Hearings: “Would you support the concept of establishing a Youth Conservation Congress?”

**Dr. Thomas** requested staff assist Mr. Cole in drafting the question and to define procedural concerns, if any.

6. Special Committees' Reports

None.

7. Department Secretary's Matters

7.A. Retirement Resolutions

7.A.1 Randall J. Link

7.A.2 David A. Hildreth

7.A.3 Zida Reed

7.A.4 Daniel S. Koich

7.A.5 John Glindinning

7.A.6 Charles L. Weister

7.A.7 Steven W. Hewett

7.A.8 Tom Niebauer

7.A.9 David E. Birren

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7.A. Retirement Resolutions - Continued

**Mr. Welter MOVED, seconded by Dr. Clausen approval of the retirement resolutions. The motion carried unanimously.**

7.B. Donations

7.B.1 The Natural Resources Foundation will donate \$9,400 to be used toward management of the Wisconsin State Natural Areas in the La Crosse Area

**Mr. Welter MOVED, seconded by Mr. Rohde approval of The Natural Resources Foundation donation of \$9,400 to be used toward management of the Wisconsin State Natural Areas in the La Crosse Area. The motion carried unanimously.**

7.B.2 The Wisconsin Chapter of Safari Club International will donate \$8,176 to support a disability project on the Richard Bong State Recreation Area

**Mr. Ela MOVED, seconded by Mr. Welter approval of The Wisconsin Chapter of Safari Club International donation of \$8,176 to support a disability project on the Richard Bong State Recreation Area. The motion carried unanimously.**

7.B.3 Sauk County will donate \$5,958 to support invasive species removal in State Natural Areas

**Ms. Wiley MOVED, seconded by Mr. Rohde approval of the Sauk County donation of \$5,958 to support invasive species removal in State Natural Areas. The motion carried unanimously.**

8. Information Items

8.A. Air, Waste, and Water/Enforcement  
None

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

8.B.1 Presentation of a Concept Plan for a Motorized Recreation Area

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN**

**Dr. Thomas** continued with Agenda Item 5.A.

5.A. Election of Officers

**Dr. Clausen MOVED, seconded by Mr. Rohde to nominate and elect the existing officers to serve a third term. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mr. Welter MOVED, seconded by Dr. Clausen to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

\*\*\*The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.\*\*\*

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