

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee
INITIATED BY

Public Works &
Parks Advisory Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Lori A. Williams, Parks Director
DRAFTED BY

March 19, 2013

DATE DRAFTED

Authorizing Lease and Partnership Agreement with the Friends of the Beckman Mill, Incorporated

1 **WHEREAS**, starting in 1967, continuing in 1978 and 1982, Rock County acquired lands for
 2 county park purposes now known as Beckman Mill County Park; and,
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 4 **WHEREAS**, various grants from the Wisconsin DNR provided some of the funding for these
 5 purchases; and,
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 7 **WHEREAS**, Rock County has been developing and using these lands for public recreational
 8 activities; and,
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 10 **WHEREAS**, the second 10-year lease with the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated (FBM), was
 11 entered into on June 1, 2003; and,
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 13 **WHEREAS**, the FBM suggested changes including updating the exhibits of the agreement as well
 14 as modifying elements of the agreement to reflect actual operations; and,
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 16 **WHEREAS**, the new lease has been approved by the DNR.
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 18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
 19 assembled this 11th day of April, 2013, does hereby authorize the County
 20 Board Chair and County Clerk sign a 10-year lease and partnership agreement with FBM,
 21 Incorporated, that replaces the previous lease and partnership agreement.

13-4A-298

Respectfully submitted,

Endorsed by

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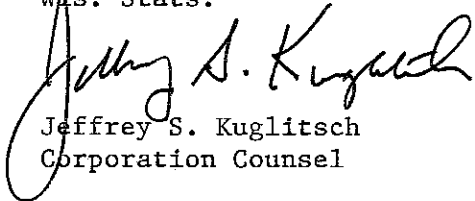
This resolution approves a 10 year lease and agreement between Rock County and Friends of Beckman Mill, Inc. (FBM). FBM will provide services to maintain, operate and preserve the property in lieu of monetary rent.



Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to § 59.01 & 59.51, Wis. Stats.



Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Craig Knutson
County Administrator

Executive Summary
Authorizing Lease and Partnership Agreement,
with the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated

Rock County has acquired several parcels over the years now known as Beckman Mill County Park. Via the grant process, funding for these acquisitions was obtained: 50% from the LAWCON program, various wildlife programs with local matching funding from the County Board.

The park is open, developed and maintained for the public via operational funding by Rock County.

This contract is our next 10-year partnership agreement with FBM, Inc. In 1991, the first agreement was entered into between Rock County and FBM. The second 10-year partnership agreement provides for a continued partnership for the next 10 years. FBM will continue to operate and maintain the historic Beckman Mill, dam and fish passage on the west fork of Raccoon Creek and the creamery/visitor center, and blacksmith shop (except for the public toilets maintained by Rock County).

At the present time, the current lease is due for renewal. This lease updates the exhibits and modifies some of the agreement elements to reflect actual operations.

This resolution is to provide a long-term agreement with the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated (FBM), to fund, operate, maintain and program the Beckman Mill Museum Complex on approximately two acres of park land.

The agreement has also received approval from the DNR.

FBM is incorporated in the State of Wisconsin and has federal 501(3)(c) tax exempt status.