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Public Works Department**



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A G E N D A

Public Works Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 14, 2010 – 8:30 a.m.
Public Works Department Committee Room

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2010
4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements

PARKS BUSINESS

5. ACTION ITEMS
 - a. Approve Resolution: Agreements by and Between the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and Rock County for the Construction and Maintenance of Bicycle/Pedestrian Path within The Rights-of-Way of State Highway 26 in Rock County
 - b. Approve Resolution: Acceptance of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Fish and Game Project Grant Funds
 - c. Approve Resolution: Commending Efforts of the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated, at Beckman Mill County Park on Their 20th Anniversary
6. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - a. Project Report
7. Parks Advisory Committee Remarks
8. Next Meeting Date
9. Adjournment

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee
INITIATED BY _____



Lori Williams, Parks Director
DRAFTED BY _____

Public Works Committee
SUBMITTED BY _____

August 3, 2010
DATE DRAFTED _____

AGREEMENTS BY AND BETWEEN THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ROCK COUNTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATH WITHIN THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF STATE HIGHWAY 26 IN ROCK COUNTY

- 1 **WHEREAS** the State and County have agreed to the development of a Bicycle/Pedestrian path that
- 2 initially contains three sections; and,
- 3
- 4 **WHEREAS**, Section 1 Rock County path runs along the west side of State Highway 26 starting at
- 5 Storrs Lake Road and extending northerly approximately 4.9 miles to the Rock County line where it
- 6 connects to the existing Glacial River Trail in Jefferson County; and,
- 7
- 8 **WHEREAS**, Section 2 Rock County path runs along the east side of State Highway 26 starting at
- 9 Town Line Road extending northerly approximately 1.5 miles to Milton City Limits south of
- 10 Highway 59; and,
- 11
- 12 **WHEREAS**, Section 3 runs along the east side of State Highway 26 starting at Town Hall Road
- 13 and extending northerly 0.5 miles to Town Line Road; and,
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- 15 **WHEREAS**, the Cities of Janesville and Milton have agreed each to take over the maintenance of
- 16 sections 2 and 3 as their respective municipalities grow into those areas; and,
- 17
- 18 **WHEREAS**, within said limits the initial construction of the path and appurtenances will be
- 19 financed and completed by the State in cooperation with the County; and,
- 20
- 21 **WHEREAS**, Wisc. Stat. Sec. 66.0301 authorizes municipalities, including the County and the
- 22 State, to contract with one another for the receipt or furnishing of services or the joint exercise of
- 23 any power or duty required or authorized by law; and,
- 24
- 25 **WHEREAS**, State Statute 66.0301, (2) specifically authorizes municipalities to enter into
- 26 intergovernmental cooperation agreements for any purpose consistent with other statutory
- 27 provisions for the respective municipalities.
- 28
- 29 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors on this
- 30 ____ day of _____, 2010, hereby approves Intergovernmental Agreements
- 31 with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the construction and maintenance of the
- 32 Bicycle/Pedestrian Path within the Rights-Of-Way of State Highway 26 in Rock County.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Kurtis L. Yankee, Chair

David Diestler

Betty Jo Bussie, Vice Chair

Brent Fox

Eva Arnold

Agreements by and Between the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and Rock County for the Construction and Maintenance of Bicycle/Pedestrian Path Within the Rights-of-Way of State Highway 26 in Rock County

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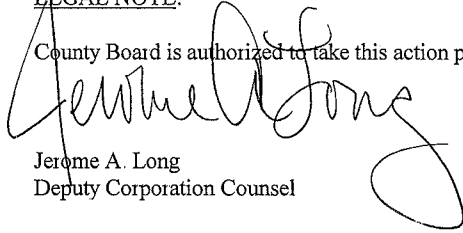
As detailed in the Executive Summary the State would be responsible for the construction cost of the proposed trail. Upon completion, expected by 2013 or 2014, the County would be responsible for maintaining the trail at an initial estimated cost of \$400 per mile. Approximately 6.9 miles of the trail maintenance would be the County's responsibility under the existing proposal.



Jeffrey A. Smith
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §59.01, 59.51 and 66.0301, Wis. Stats.



Jerome A. Long
Deputy Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Craig Knutson
County Administrator

- EXECUTIVE SUMMARY -

APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS BY AND BETWEEN THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION AND ROCK COUNTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND
MAINTENANCE OF THE BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATH WITHIN THE RIGHTS-OF WAY-
OF STATE HIGHWAY 26 IN ROCK COUNTY

In conjunction with the Highway 26 Bypass Project, the State Department of Transportation (DOT) is planning to construct a paved 40-mile bike/pedestrian pathway in the highway right-of-way from Janesville to north of Watertown. The DOT is requesting cooperation with other jurisdictions and entities for maintenance of the pathway after construction of the path. Various groups who are collaborating on this project include the Cities of Janesville and Milton; Jefferson, Dodge and Rock Counties; and the Wisconsin DOT and DNR.

Rock County has been asked to accept the pathway section from Storrs Lake Road north to County Line Road. This segment is approximately 5 miles long. The State plans to purchase the right-of-way and fund construction at no initial cost to Rock County. If total project costs come in over budgeted amounts, the State will work with Rock County to modify the pathway project to fit within budget parameters.

After construction is complete, Rock County would assume pathway maintenance for a 20-year timeframe. Maintenance expectation of the State is mainly mowing and litter cleanup. The estimated cost is \$400 per mile per year initially, and up to \$700 per year long-term as the pathway ages and anticipated crack filling and other maintenance needs arise.

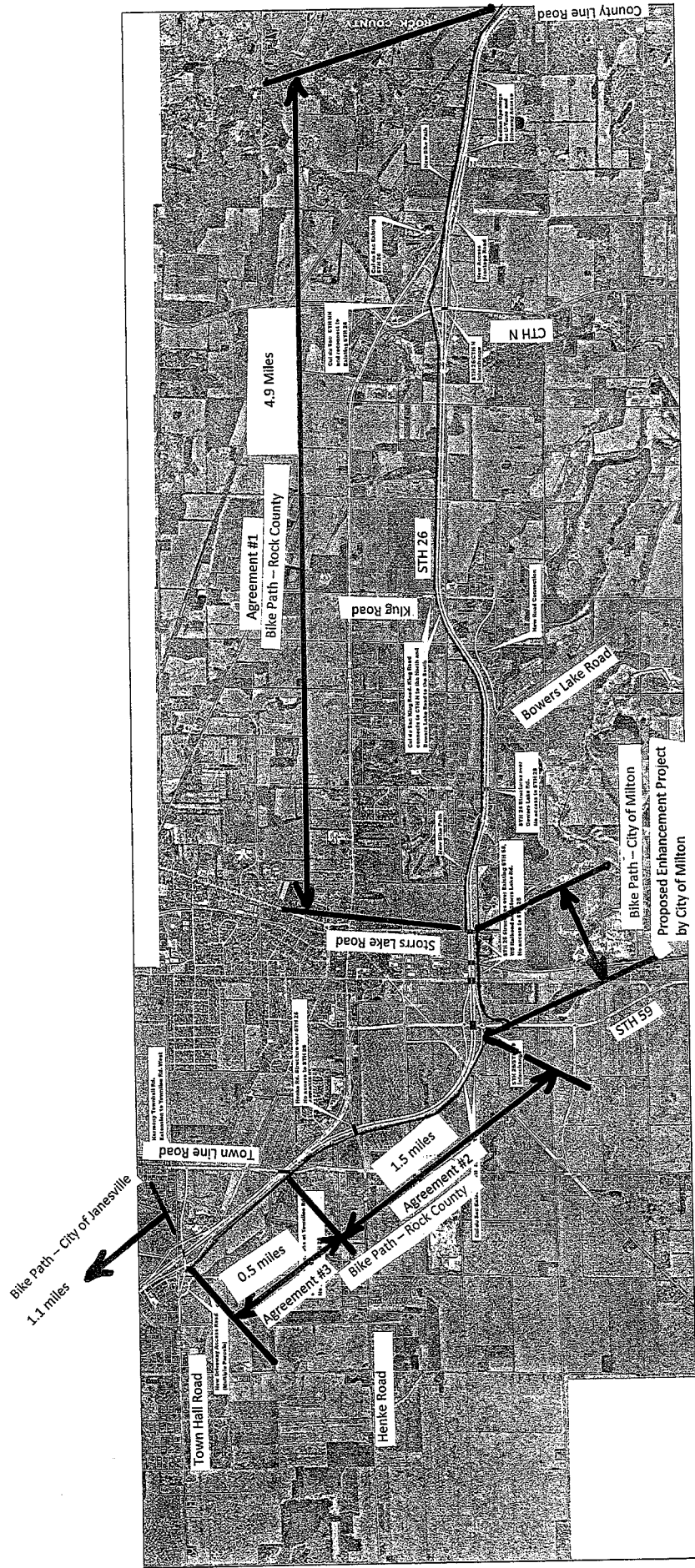
The State is requesting Rock County enter into four separate agreements: the first being for constructing the highway improvement project and the other three being a maintenance agreement for each pathway section, Section 1 Rock County path from Storrs Lake Road extending north to the Rock County Line. Section 2 Rock County path runs along the east side of State Highway 26 starting at Town Line Road extending northerly approximately 1.5 miles to Milton City Limits south of Highway 59. Section 3 runs along the east side of State Highway 26 starting at Town Hall Road and extending northerly 0.5 miles to Town Line Road. The Cities of Janesville and Milton have each agreed to take over the maintenance of sections 2 and 3 as their respective municipalities grow into those areas. Memorandums of understanding will be drafted with both municipalities after the approval of this resolution.

Support of this project will allow the County a recreational and alternative transportation opportunity that we could not afford on our own. It also allows for connectivity of alternate transportation between communities by providing 40 miles of off-road travel from Janesville to Watertown. It also allows us to cooperate with other jurisdictions and entities in offering a significant asset that will enable us to promote the regional trail as a tourism opportunity and attraction by 2014.

Respectfully submitted,



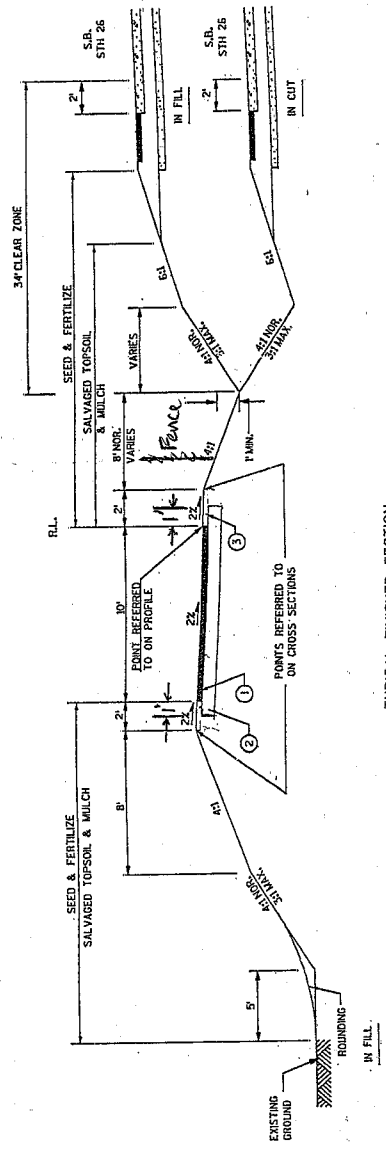
Lori Williams
Parks Director



BICYCLE / PEDESTRIAN PATH

LEGEND

- ① 2" HMA PAVEMENT TYPE E-0/3
- ② 6" BASE AGGREGATE DENSE 1 1/4-INCH
- ③ SALVAGED TOPSOIL, MULCH, SEED & FERTILIZER
ROLLED AND COMPACTED



TYPICAL FINISHED SECTION
BICYCLE / PEDESTRIAN PATH

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGENDA NO. _____

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Public Works Committee
Initiated by _____

Lori Williams, Parks Director
Drafted by _____

Public Works Committee
& Parks Advisory Committee
Submitted by _____



August 25, 2010
Date Drafted _____

**APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES COUNTY FISH AND GAME PROJECT GRANT FUNDS**

1 **WHEREAS**, the legislature of the State of Wisconsin enacted legislation providing for allocation to
2 the respective counties in that state on an acreage basis for the county fish and game projects,
3 including conservation of resources and habitat, on the condition that the counties match the state
4 allocation; and,
5

6 **WHEREAS**, Rock County made application to participate in county fish and game projects
7 pursuant to provisions of s.23.09(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes and as authorized by county board
8 resolution; and,
9

10 **WHEREAS**, matching grant funds totaling \$2,027 are available from the Wisconsin DNR and a
11 resolution accepting the same is required; and,
12

13 **WHEREAS**, there are no costs for this grant as all labor was performed by volunteers and all
14 equipment and supplies were donated; and,
15

16 **WHEREAS**, funds received will be utilized at Magnolia Bluff Park to build a pathway around the
17 restoration project in order to avoid unnecessary disturbance of the restoration area.
18

19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly
20 assembled this ____ day of _____, 2010 does hereby approve the acceptance of these funds;
21 and,
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23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board Chair and the County Clerk are hereby
24 authorized and directed to sign the grant agreements and that these documents be submitted to the
25 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; and,
26

27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Parks Director be authorized to file all necessary
28 documents for administration and reimbursement of this program.
29

30 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Department of Public Works Parks Division 2010
31 Budget be amended as follows:
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	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
34 <u>Source of Funds:</u>			
35 41-4592-4788-42200	2,035	2,027	4,062
36 State Aid			
37 <u>Use of Funds:</u>			
38 41-4592-4788-69999	2,035	2,027	4,062
39 Non-Converted Expense			

**APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES COUNTY FISH AND GAME PROJECT GRANT
FUNDS**

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Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Endorsement:

Reviewed and approved on a vote of _____

Kurtis Yankee, Chair

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

Date

Betty Jo Bussie, Vice-Chair

Eva Arnold

David Diestler

Brent Fox

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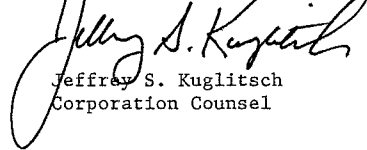
This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of \$2,027 in State Aid for the Magnolia Bluff Park Restoration Project. The local match is provided by volunteer labor and contributions of equipment and supplies.



Jeffrey A. Smith
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. The authority to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats., necessarily implies the authority to make application for such funds.



Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Craig Knutson
County Administrator

- EXECUTIVE SUMMARY -

**APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES
COUNTY FISH AND GAME PROJECT GRANT FUNDS**

Each Wisconsin County is allocated a certain amount of money annually to fund small projects on a 50/50 match basis. Rock County applied for the maximum of \$2,027 in 2006 for work at Magnolia Bluff Park. The grant was applied for, awarded, and extensions were given by the Department of Natural Resources.

The Parks and Highway Divisions through time and materials, as well as other community resources have supplied the required 50% in-kind match.

The Department of Natural Resources funds will be used to build a pathway around the restoration project in order to avoid unnecessary disturbance of the restoration area.

Supplies for the pathway will be purchased with the funds and volunteers will provide the labor. The steering committee and volunteers at Magnolia Bluff Park have been instrumental in these restoration efforts.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Williams".

Lori Williams, Director
Rock County Parks

RESOLUTION NO _____

AGENDA NO _____

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Lori Williams, Parks Director
INITIATED BY



Lori Williams, Parks Director
DRAFTED BY

Public Works Committee
SUBMITTED BY

September 1, 2010
DATE DRAFTED

**Recognizing Efforts of the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated,
at Beckman Mill County Park on Their 20th Anniversary**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors entered into a long-term agreement in 1991 with the
- 2 Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated, to do historical restoration and development work at Beckman Mill
- 3 County Park; and,
- 4
- 5 **WHEREAS**, the Friends of Beckman Mill are celebrating their 20th anniversary as an organization; and,
- 6
- 7 **WHEREAS**, the Friends of Beckman Mill have restored the historic Howe-Beckman Mill, the cooperage,
- 8 and constructed a creamery, a visitors' center and a barn, as well as reconstructed the spillway (mill pond
- 9 dam) and fish passage on the West Fork of Raccoon Creek; and,
- 10
- 11 **WHEREAS**, the Friends of Beckman Mill have "compounded" grant dollars provided by Rock County and
- 12 have secured and utilized grants from: Wisconsin DNR River Protection Grant, Whitetails Unlimited,
- 13 Ressler Mill Foundation, Beloit Foundation, Janesville Foundation, Kohler Foundation, Harnischfeger, Inc.,
- 14 Lutheran Brotherhood, Questers, Greater Beloit Community Foundation, Ashcraft Foundation, Wisconsin
- 15 Power and Light and the Society for the Preservation of Old Mills; and,
- 16
- 17 **WHEREAS**, the Friends of Beckman Mill make the substantial donation of volunteer labor and donated
- 18 machinery used in carrying forward these efforts, and showcasing the Park as caregivers and docents; and,
- 19
- 20 **WHEREAS**, in 2010, the restored Beckman Mill Park is a one-of-a-kind destination of historical
- 21 significance in Rock County that serves as the host site for numerous annual activities and events.
- 22
- 23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 24 this _____ day of _____, 2010, hereby recognizes the Friends of Beckman Mill on their
- 25 20th anniversary and extends their congratulations and gratitude on the outstanding volunteer work and
- 26 restoration efforts and looks forward to a continued partnership in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Kurtis Yankee, Chair

Betty Jo Bussie, Vice-Chair

Eva Arnold

David Diestler

Brent Fox

- Executive Summary -
Commending Efforts of the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated,
at Beckman Mill County Park on Their 20th Anniversary

Rock County started its long-term relationship with the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated, June 1, 1991. The first lease agreement expired in May 2001 and was renewed through 2013.

The Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated, have vigorously pursued other grant funding sources and have successfully been awarded well over \$100,000 in grant funds from various organizations. Such organizations have included Society for the Preservation of Old Mills (SPOOM), Wisconsin Power & Light, Ashcraft Foundation, Greater Beloit Community Foundation, Questers, Lutheran Brotherhood, Harnischfeger, Inc., Kohler Foundation, Janesville Foundation, Beloit Foundation, Ressler Mill Foundation, Wisconsin DNR, and Whitetails Unlimited.

The Friends have restored the Howe-Beckman Mill, the cooperage, and constructed a creamery, a visitors' center, and a barn and reconstructed the spillway (mill pond dam) and fish passage on the West Fork of Raccoon Creek.

Each year, the Friends of Beckman Mill, Incorporated, have also held numerous fund raising activities bringing many people to visit this park. They also give tours of the Park and do many hours of volunteer maintenance of the mill, buildings and grounds.

We look forward to a continued successful partnership with a truly exemplary and outstanding group of volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori Williams
Parks Director

**Current Rock County Park Projects
August - September 2010**

- **Beckman Mill** ----- 1) **September 24th Volunteer Picnic planning underway**
2) **Trail system change order and resolution completed**

- **Beloit to Janesville Peace Trail**----- 1) **RR crossing to be installed**

- **Boys and Girls Club**----- 1) **Building inspection complete**
2) **Town of Turtle conditional use public hearing on September 15, 2010 at 7:00pm**

- **Carver Roehl**----- 1) **Met with contractor at site**
2) **Contractor starting culvert on 9/8/2010**
3) **Fall Fest 10/3/2010**

- **Community Coordinator**----- 1) **Assisted in splash board replacement for the dam at Beckman Mill Park**
2) **Working on brochures**

- **DeLong** ----- 1) **In process**

- **Gibbs Lake Park**----- 1) **Move service gate by new privy road**
2) **Tree work to be done**
3) **Well re-chlorinated but still bad**

- **GIS**----- 1) **Attended land records meeting**

- **Highway 26 Bike Path**-----
 - 1) Resolution in process
 - 2) Agreements and MOU with Cities of Milton and Janesville complete

- **Ice Age Trail**-----
 - 1) Need to address encroachment issues
 - 2) Restoration of Kerry Hull issues

- **Koshkonong Access**-----
 - 1) Work day held to eradicate invasive

- **Magnolia Bluff** -----
 - 1) Oak savannah restoration – ongoing
 - 2) Work days for trail 35 held
 - 3) Grant from 2006 completed and reimbursed
 - 4) Met with steering committee

- **Royce Dallman**-----
 - 1) Planting of replacement trees needed
 - 2) Docks put back in water

- **Other Information**-----
 - 1) Completed citation warning forms
 - 2) Attended SLATS meeting
 - 3) Tree work in Happy Hollow and Sweet Allyn