Minutes of Land Use, Parks and Environment (LUPE) Committee December 12, 2017

Chair Zimmermann called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Dave Zimmermann (Chair), Bill Mitchell, Kathleen Cummings, Keith Hammitt, and Robert Kolb. **Absent:** Ted Wysocki and Tom Schellinger.

Also Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Land Resources Manager Perry Lindquist, Solid Waste Supervisor Rebecca Mattano, Lake Denoon Lake District Appointee Kevin Kubacki, Executive Director of Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful Joe Wilson, City of Waukesha Alderman Dean Lemke, and Supervisor James Heinrich. Minutes Recorded by Beth Schwartz, County Board Office.

Approve Minutes of November 21, 2017

MOTION: Cummings moved, second by Hammitt to approve the minutes of November 21, 2017. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment

Wilson provided a brief overview of the Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful program servicing all of Southeast Wisconsin to promote sustainability through clean, healthy, and beautiful communities. Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful helps communities improve their economic, environmental and social well-being by promoting programs that address neighborhood cleanup and beautification, waste reduction, reuse, and recycling, children's environmental education, environmental forums, renewable and efficient energy use, and resource conservation.

Executive Committee Report of December 11, 2017

Zimmermann said the committee approved an ordinance and four appointments, and heard standing committee reports from committee chairs. The committee also went into closed session to discuss pending opioid litigation against pharmaceutical companies.

Future Meeting Date: January 16, 2018

Future Agenda Item: Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program update by Shaver and Weidig (January), overview of the reorganization of Department of Parks & Land Use succession planning (Mitchell)

Legislative Update

Spaeth said the end of session has brought a lot of activity. She will be in Madison this week to discuss bill status and concerns including the dark stores and small cell bills. She discussed a bill proposal that changes the roles of the County Executive and County Board. When a draft comes out she will share it with the Board.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 172-O-059: Order Creating Lake Denoon Lake District Lindquist and Mattano discussed this ordinance in which the Lake Denoon Lake District will be created. From the public hearing in the City of Muskego and the subsequent report, several conclusions were drawn. The petition filed to establish the Lake Denoon Lake District was signed by at least 51% of the landowners in the proposed district. The proposed lake district is necessary to provide local citizens the institutional and financial support of a local unit of

government designed specifically to protect and improve the lake through a variety of lake management programs and activities. Public health, comfort, convenience, necessity or public welfare will be promoted by the establishment of the proposed lake district. The property included in the district will be benefited by the establishment of the lake district through improved lake management. A public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district is located in the southwest corner of the City of Muskego in Waukesha County, and the northwest corner of the Town of Norway in Racine County. The lands included in the Lake Denoon Lake District are generally described as all riparian properties to Lake Denoon except those properties owned by the City of Muskego. Lindquist went into further detail about the process of establishing the new lake district after the public hearing including the adoption of a resolution to approve the establishment of the Lake Denoon Lake District by the City of Muskego Common Council. He also exhibited the district boundary on a map.

Zimmermann, who chaired the public hearing and is a member of four lake management districts, commented on the concerns addressed at the public hearing. Southeast Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) member Dr. Tom Slawski explained during to the public hearing attendants that once the district is created, all property owners as well as registered voters become eligible to participate in and vote at the annual meetings and that the power of the district is through the lake residents. Waukesha and Washington Counties Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Coordinator Bradley Steckart discussed the development of an Aquatic Invasive Species Strategic Plan to be completed by early 2018 and will include best management practices for aquatic invasive species and a responsive protocol for the discovery of new aquatic invasive species. Hammitt serves as an appointee to the Lake Denoon Lake District and discussed challenges faced by the district. Cummings asked what types of invasive species are in this district. Kubaki discussed eurasian water milfoil and Zimmermann explained the types of treatment available for this destructive weed.

MOTION: Hammitt moved, second by Kolb to approve Ordinance 172-O-059. Motion carried 5-0.

Discuss and Consider the Following Appointments:

MOTION: Cummings moved, second by Mitchell to approve the appointments en masse.

- a. Appointment 172-A-033: Gerry Klamrowski to the Lake Denoon Lake District
- b. Appointment 172-A-034: Mike Corcoran to the Lake Denoon Lake District
- c. Appointment 172-A-035: Kevin Kubacki to the Lake Denoon Lake District
- d. Appointment 172-A-036: Keith Hammitt to the Lake Denoon Lake District

Motion carried 5-0.

Overview of Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) Agreement and Tour of Facility

Lindquist provided an overview of the 15-year intergovernmental agreement between the County and the City of Milwaukee, sharing joint oversight and the equipment replacement fund (ERF) management. The City of Milwaukee is responsible for the MRF building and grounds and contributes 25,000 tons per year, attributing 50% ERF payments per ton. The County is responsible for hauling costs to the MRF and contributes 30,000 tons/year, attributing 50% ERF payments/ton. A third party, Republic Services, designed, built and maintains operations of the MRF, a \$14 million construction project. Located in the Menomonee Valley, the MRF is a single-stream or single-sort facility designed to accept paper, bottles, and cans to be sorted into 11 categories. Mattano said the MRF sees roughly 70,000 tons of recycled material each year. Of

that total, roughly 600 tons are aluminum, 7 tons are plastics, and more than 40,000 tons are fiber, like paper and cardboard, all of which earn revenue. Both Milwaukee and Waukesha County reported an increase in recycling by residents since the MRF opened, and the County tonnage went up 40% in the first two years. Lindquist spoke to processing costs, accountability provisions, and the goal to cover more collection costs. Mitchell commented on the successes of the agreement.

The committee was led on a tour of the Materials Recycling Facility.

Hammitt left the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

MOTION: Cummings moved, second by Kolb to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 a.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith Hammitt Secretary