

Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc.
Forestry/Wildlife Committee Meeting Minutes
November 20th, 2025
Golden Sands RC&D Office/Online

Attendees: Al Drabek (Marathon); Bill Clendenning (Wood); Bob Walker (Member-at-Large); Claire Harwood (Golden Sands RC&D Staff); Katherine Jaeger (Golden Sands RC&D Staff); Jenna Tuma (Golden Sands RC&D Staff).

CALL TO ORDER: Drabek called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS: Everyone introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Clendenning, which was seconded by Walker, to approve the minutes from the September 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

HABITAT FOR KARNER BLUE BUTTERFLY, POWESHIEK SKIPPERLING & OTHER POLLINATORS: Harwood shared information from Bo Hendrickson regarding project work that has been completed. We are applying for a grant that will allow work to continue past April 1st, 2026.

CENTRAL WISCONSIN WINDSHED PARTNERSHIP: Tuma reported that Golden Sands RC&D will not be coordinating the hiring for this group's 2026 summer interns.

COOPERATIVE FORESTRY/DEMO FORESTS/CWIP/NEWIP: Harwood reported. Project work continues. Demo forest events were held in Portage and Marquette Counties. An event for demo forest owners is being planned for March at the Marshfield School Forest. Grants have been applied for outreach to stem the spread of invasive species through recycling/compost facilities. She attended the state CISMA meeting. Steering committee meetings were held.

TREE SHELTERS: Tuma reported that promotional materials are being developed for the 2026 sales season.

NEW PROJECTS: None.

OTHER BUSINESS: Clendenning encouraged RC&D representation at the Wisconsin Counties Association and Wisconsin Townships Association annual meetings.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Walker, which was seconded by Clendenning, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Minutes by: Bob Walker