

Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc.
Forestry/Wildlife Committee Meeting Minutes
September 18th, 2025
Midwest Renewable Energy Association/Online

Attendees: Al Drabek (Marathon); Bill Clendenning (Wood); Bob Walker (Member-at-Large); Jacob Fluor (Golden Sands RC&D Staff); Claire Harwood (Golden Sands RC&D Staff); Katherine Jaeger (Golden Sands RC&D Staff); Bo Hendrickson (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 Drabek, to approve the minutes from the July 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

HABITAT FOR KARNER BLUE BUTTERFLY, POWESHIEK SKIPPERLING & OTHER POLLINATORS: Hendrickson reported on work that was completed.

CENTRAL WISCONSIN WINDSHED PARTNERSHIP: Tuma reported that more than 56,000 feet of windbreaks were established in the 2025 season.

COOPERATIVE FORESTRY/CWIP/NEWIP: Fluor and Harwood reported. A demonstration forest event was held recently. Additional events are being planned, including one in Portage County on October 4th. Invasive control projects were completed at several locations. A banquet for demo forest owners is being planned for March 2026. Staff are continuing efforts to engage communities and the public in invasive removal projects.

TREE SHELTERS: Tuma reported total sales for 2025 was over \$17,000, with a net profit of \$986.

NEW PROJECTS: Proposed resolutions were reviewed for pending grant applications to the Wisconsin DNR for AIS prevention at yard waste facilities and landscaping companies in Wood, Portage, Marathon, Waushara, Waupaca, Outagamie, and Winnebago Counties. A motion was made by Clendenning, which was seconded by Walker, to support the resolutions and recommend their adoption by the full board. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Clendenning, which was seconded by Drabek. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Minutes by: Bob Walker