

Lessard - Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
Meeting Summary
December 11, 2012

Members Present:

Les Bensch
Ryan Bronson
Jim Cox
Wayne Enger

Chair David Hartwell
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen
Jane Kingston
Rep. Leon Lillie

Rep. Denny McNamara
Scott Rall (phone)
Sen. Tom Saxhaug
Ron Schara

Members Absent: none

Call to order: Call to order at 8:04 a.m. A quorum was present.

Review and approve agenda: Motion by W. Enger to approve the agenda. Motion adopted.

Review and Approve Minutes – November 13, 2012: Motion by J. Kingston to approve the minutes. Motion adopted.

Les Bensch- yes
Ryan Bronson - yes
Jim Cox - yes
Wayne Enger - yes

Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes
Jane Kingston - yes
Rep. Leon Lillie- absent

Rep. Denny McNamara- absent
Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- absent
Ron Schara- absent

8-yes, 0-no. Motion adopted.

Members report any Conflict of Interest on Today's Agenda: There were no reports of conflicts on today's agenda. The chair noted that the conflicts of interest identified at the September Council meeting were still in effect.

Executive Director's Report: Mr. Becker informed members of upcoming meetings and recent staff work.

Action: The council did not take action on the 2013 schedule of meetings.

Action: Parcel Condemnation - ML 2009, Ch. 172, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3, Forest for the Future

Motion by R. Bronson to recognize transfer of an interest in an easement purchased with the appropriation in M.L. 2009, Chapter 172, Article 1, Section 2, Subdivision 3. Forests, and the return of condemnation proceeds to the outdoor heritage fund. Motion passed.

Les Bensch- yes
Ryan Bronson - yes
Jim Cox - yes
Wayne Enger - yes

Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes
Jane Kingston - yes
Rep. Leon Lillie- absent

Rep. Denny McNamara- absent
Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- absent
Ron Schara- absent

8-yes, 0-no. Motion adopted.

(00:14:30) Update: Conservation Partners Legacy Program

Pete Skwira and Jessica Lee, DNR, provided an update on the CPL program, explained that all funds had been expended from the FY13 round, updated members on marketing efforts, and answered questions posed by members.

(00:14:49) Discussion: PRIM Maps used for showing Outdoor Heritage Fund parcels

Tim Loesch, DNR, provided an update on the status of PRIM map system and future electronic access. Members discussed adding language to the bill that would require lands acquired in fee to be included in the PRIM map system.

(00:38:15) Update: Restoration Evaluations

Wade Johnson, DNR, provided an overview on the FY 2012 Legacy Fund Restoration Evaluations report and

answered question posed by members. Mr. Becker asked about conflict procedures of the review panel and requested that a copy of the conflict of interest procedure be sent to the LSOHC office. He also requested that that LSOHC staff be advised of evaluation activities so that members might be able to coordinate attending those site visits.

(01:11:24) Update: November Forecast Update

Michelle Mitchell, MN Management and Budget, provided an update on the forecast and the fund balance and answered questions posed by members. According to the data currently available, the Council's recommendation of \$92 million would allow for a 5% reserve balance.

(01:21:00) Discussion/Action: ML 2013 Legislative Appropriation Recommendations Bill

Heather Koop provided a summary of the recommendations package.

Motion by R. Bronson to amend the recommendations bill by deleting 4(e) McGregor Marsh Wetland Protection (pg 6, line 23-33) and to put the \$1,750,000 appropriation on the table for discussion. Motion adopted (12-yes, 0-no).

Les Bensch- yes
Ryan Bronson - yes
Jim Cox - yes
Wayne Enger - yes

Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes
Jane Kingston - yes
Rep. Leon Lillie- yes

Rep. Denny McNamara- yes
Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- yes
Ron Schara- yes

12-yes, 0-no. Motion adopted.

Motion by S. Rall to increase 4(a) RIM-WRP (pg 5, line 17) by \$1.0 million with the balance (\$750,000) going to the fund balance with the deletion of 4(e) McGregor Marsh Wetland Protection (\$750,000) from the council's recommendations. Motion adopted (12-yes, 0-no).

Les Bensch- yes
Ryan Bronson - yes
Jim Cox - yes
Wayne Enger - yes

Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes
Jane Kingston - yes
Rep. Leon Lillie- yes

Rep. Denny McNamara- yes
Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- yes
Ron Schara- yes

12-yes, 0-no. Motion adopted.

Motion by Chair Hartwell to reduce 6(c) Technical Evaluations (pg 11, line 30) from \$92,000 to \$45,000 and the remaining money go into the fund balance. Motion adopted (9-yes, 3-no).

Les Bensch- yes
Ryan Bronson - yes
Jim Cox - yes
Wayne Enger - yes

Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes
Jane Kingston - no
Rep. Leon Lillie- no

Rep. Denny McNamara- no
Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- yes
Ron Schara- yes

9-yes, 3-no. Motion adopted.

Motion by J. Kingston to have the LSOHC staff work with research staff to include language in the bill regarding PRIM mapping requirement for all lands acquired in fee. Motion adopted (12-yes, 0-no).

Les Bensch- yes
Ryan Bronson - yes
Jim Cox - yes
Wayne Enger - yes

Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes
Jane Kingston - yes
Rep. Leon Lillie- yes

Rep. Denny McNamara- yes
Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- yes
Ron Schara- yes

12-yes, 0-no. Motion adopted.

Motion by R. Bronson to approve the appropriation language as amended and forward to legislative leaders for consideration during the 2013 session. Motion adopted (12-yes, 0-no).

Les Bensch- yes

Ryan Bronson - yes

Jim Cox - yes

Wayne Enger - yes
Chair David Hartwell- yes
Sen. Bill Ingebrigtsen - yes

Jane Kingston - yes
Rep. Leon Lillie- yes
Rep. Denny McNamara- yes

Scott Rall- yes
Sen. Tom Saxhaug- yes
Ron Schara- yes

12-yes, 0-no. Motion adopted.

Discussion: Land Conservation Appraisal Workshop

Heather Koop, Les Bensch and Jane Kingston reported to the Council information learned at the Conservation Land Appraisal Workshop.

Opportunity for Public to Address the Council – no one addressed the Council

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

APPROVED:

Wayne Enger, Secretary

Date