

Resolution No. 49 -14

Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund

TO THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF POLK:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 15-13, Polk County accepted a donation of 180 acres of land located in the Town of Balsam <sup>lake</sup> and established thereon the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area, which is managed for non-motorized recreational, forestry and educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the maintenance of the County's properties protects not only the investment of the County, but increases the recreational opportunities for Polk County constituents and others interested in the tourism of Polk County; and

WHEREAS, although the County maintains its properties with tax dollars, on occasion individuals and organizations may wish to donate private or public monies for the purpose and benefit of maintaining, improving or enhancing recreational properties owned by the County; and

WHEREAS, others may wish to donate items for the express purpose of improving those various conservation initiatives and recreational opportunities provided by and through the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to applicable Internal Revenue Code provisions, contributions made to local governmental units solely for public purposes may be tax deductible; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sections 59.52(19) and 59.56(9), the Polk County Board of Supervisors may accept on behalf of Polk County donations, gifts or grants for any public purpose and allocate donated moneys toward the expenditure for recreational and educational purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors establishes the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area Stewardship Fund as a dedicated, non-lapsing fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.52(19), the Polk County Board of Supervisors accepts those monetary donations and gifts made to Polk County for the purpose of maintaining, improving or enhancing Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that monetary donations and gifts received for the purpose of maintaining, improving or enhancing Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Area shall be deposited into the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Stewardship Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.47 and Resolution No. 73-08, the Department of Administration is directed to administer the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Stewardship Fund as a dedicated, non-lapsing fund, as follows:

- 1 1. Separate lines shall be established and maintained for tracking the receipt and expenditure of  
2 donated and gifted moneys.
- 3 2. Monetary donations that are received with a specific purpose for a particular usage,  
4 maintenance, improvement and enhancement of the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and  
5 Recreational Area, shall, within reason, be accounted for by project line consistent with the  
6 designated purpose specified by the respective donor.
- 7 3. General monetary contributions to the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational  
8 Stewardship Fund shall be divided equally as possible amongst established project lines.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Polk County Parks, Buildings and Solid  
10 Waste Department may, after consultation with the County Finance Manager, expend money  
11 contributions on account in the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and Recreational Stewardship Fund  
12 toward the maintenance, improvement and enhancement of the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve and  
13 Recreational Area consistent with this authorization and the Resolution No. 15-13.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to the extent that personal property is donated and accepted by  
15 the Polk County Board of Supervisors for purposes and allocation towards the Ahlgren Wildlife  
16 Preserve and Recreational Area, the same is deemed accepted and its use allocated consistent with  
17 the general operational guidelines of the County and the purpose for which includes, but is not  
18 limited to, those purposes recognized in Resolution No. 15-13.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, notwithstanding the above authorization and directives, the  
20 Polk County Board of Supervisors, in its sole discretion, may opt to refuse the acceptance of any and  
21 all donations and designations for donation.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To Appropriation:	Not Applicable
Effective Date:	Upon Passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	DRAFT – December County Board
Submitted By:	
Submitted and Sponsored By Assigned Functional Committee:	General Government Committee:
<i>Craig Monak</i>	_____
<i>L. A. O'Connell</i>	Ken Sample, Chairperson
<i>James A. Edgell</i>	Conservation, Development, Recreation and Education Committee:
<i>Dean J. Hansen</i>	_____
	Kim O'Connell, Chairperson

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Review By County Administrator:

- Recommended
- Not Recommended
- Reviewed Only

Dana Frey  
Dana Frey, County Administrator

Review By Corporation Counsel:

- Approved as to Form
- Recommended
- Not Recommended
- Reviewed Only

Jeffrey B. Fuge  
Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel

Acknowledgement of County Board Action

Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on Dec, 16, 2014, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. 49-14: Resolution to Establish the Ahlgren Wildlife Preserve Stewardship Fund, as follows:

- Adopted by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Adopted by majority voice vote.
- Defeated by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Defeated by majority voice vote
- Action Deferred by Procedural Action, as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED BY:

William F. Johnson, IV  
William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest:

Carole T. Wondra  
Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk

[Handwritten Signature]

