

Resolution No. 24-19

RESOLUTION to Accept Donation of Land from Robert Johnson.

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, Robert Johnson has made the request to donate to Polk County 120 acres of land located in the Town of Sterling, T.36N R.19W section 15 SENW, NESW, SWSW.

WHEREAS, the donation is conditioned upon the said land be enrolled in the Polk County Forest program according to Wisconsin State Statute 28.11.

WHEREAS, the donation is adjacent to existing County Forest Land.

WHEREAS, the donation is also conditioned upon the said land being appraised for a donation value. The appraisal cost are the responsibility of the Polk County Forestry Department.

WHEREAS, the Polk County Environmental Services Committee has recommended that the County accept the donation of the above referenced 120 acres and that that the County manage said lands for forestry purposes and all other purposes consistent with the Polk County Forest.

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the County to accept the donation of Robert Johnson and manage said lands for forestry purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.52(6)(a), the Polk County Board of Supervisors does on behalf of Polk County, accept the donation of 120 acres of land in the Town of Sterling from Robert Johnson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors directs and authorizes that the appropriate county officials and officers to prepare and execute any and all documents associated with the donation and conveyance of said lands from Robert Johnson to Polk County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Polk County Board of Supervisors directs that the Polk County Forestry Department to update the fifteen year Polk County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan to include the above said property.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Brad Olson, Supervisor, District #1

Doug Route, Supervisor, District #2

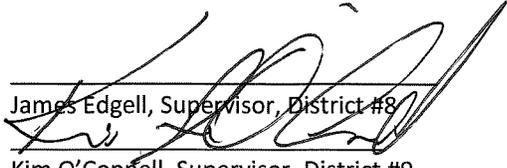
Dean Johansen, Chair,  
Supervisor, District #3,

Chris Nelson, Supervisor, District #4

Tracy LaBlanc, Supervisor, District #5

Brian Masters, Supervisor, District #6

Michael Prichard, Supervisor, District #7

  
James Edgell, Supervisor, District #8

Kim O'Connell, Supervisor, District #9

Larry Jepsen, Supervisor, District #10

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John Bonneprise, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair,  
Supervisor, District #14

Joe Demulling, Supervisor, District #15

*County Administrator's Note:*

All potential donations are vetted by staff in terms of possible use, taxes lost versus revenue gained, consistency with long term plans, and overall effect on the community. This donation successfully meets those criteria.

Recommended.

  
Nick Osborne  
County Administrator

*Fiscal Impact Note:*

This generous donation of 120 acres adjacent to our current forestland comes to Polk County only with a cost of a small appraisal fee. However, future timber sales would produce income for continued improvement of our county forest.

  
Maggie Wickre, Finance Director

Approved as to Form and Execution:

  
Malia T. Malone, Corporation Counsel

*Legal Impact Note:*

Other than transfer of ownership of the land, including all liabilities and benefits of ownership, there is no legal impact to the county.

Excerpt of Minutes

42 At its regular business meeting on the 18 of June 2019, the Polk County Board of  
43 Supervisors acted upon Resolution No. 24-19: Resolution  
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- Adopted by a majority of the members present by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ against.
- Adopted by unanimous voice vote.
- Adopted as amended. See Below.
- Defeated
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Insert amendment to resolution according to minutes:

SIGNED BY:  ATTEST:   
Dean Johansen, County Board Chairperson Sharon Jorgenson, County Clerk

Executive Summary

Robert Johnson approached Forest Administrator Mark Gossman with a 120 acre donation in East Sterling township section 15, SWSW, NESW, and SENW.

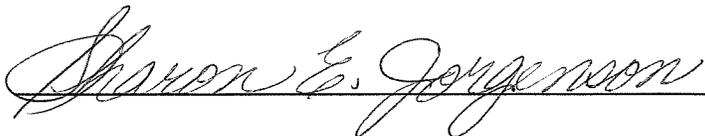
- The land has access by way of other County Forest lands and also easement.
- The land is currently enrolled in the MFL program. 2018 taxes collected for the 120 acres were \$1,224.00. The asessed value in 2018 was \$224,000.
- The donation can be removed from the MFL program and enrolled into the Polk County Forest acreage.
- This adjacent property is consistent with the Polk County 15 year Comprehensive Land Use Plan in terms of adding property.
- Approximate appraisal cost is \$1,500. The Forestry Department has funds in the 2019 budget.

**CERTIFIED COPY OF POLK COUNTY RESOLUTION**

STATE OF WISCONSIN

COUNTY OF POLK

I, Sharon E. Jorgenson, Polk County Clerk do hereby certify that the attached hereto and incorporated herein is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 24-19: Resolution to Accept Donation of Land from Robert Johnson adopted by the Polk County Board of Supervisors at its regular business meeting held on June 18, 2019.

 6/18/19

Sharon E. Jorgenson, Polk County Clerk

Date