Amended **RESOLUTION # 25-2023**

Resolution to Object to the State Removing Future Taxable Land by Purchasing Conservation and Access Easements.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

Whereas, notwithstanding the requirements of the Knowles Nelson Stewardship program, neither the Oneida County Board Chair nor the Oneida County Clerk were notified of the possible purchase of the easements; and,

Whereas, the affected Towns and the two affected Counties were given 30 days to respond with a resolution in support or against the purchase of the easements; and

Whereas, two of the affected Towns delivered to the DNR a resolution opposing the purchase of the easement within the 30 day requirement and to the person the DNR designated to respond to; and

Whereas, ~~no~~ none of the affected Towns and ~~only one~~ none of three affected Counties sent in a resolution in support of the purchase of the easements by the date as set by the DNR in their notice to the affected Towns and Counties; and

Whereas, the DNR never followed up to see if any of the affected Towns or Counties had sent in a resolution in favor of the purchase of the easement or opposing it as outlined in the notice that the DNR sent to the affected Towns and two of the affected Counties; and

Whereas, Oneida County needs answers to questions on how the easement will affect the future tax base, economic impact and the easement agreement; and

Whereas, the low property taxes paid on Managed Forest Lands inadequately compensates local government for the infrastructure and services they provide; and

Be It Resolved, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors object to the above proposed purchase of conservation and access easements as proposed; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the future time period be extended to 90 days for the affected Towns and Counties to respond with a resolution in favor of the easement purchase or opposing it; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the local SNOWMOBILE/ATV/UTV clubs work with the affected Counties to lay
out permanent trails throughout Phase 2 of the Pelican River Forest Easement; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the State purchase a 33' wide SNOWMOBILE/ATV/UTV trail throughout Phase 2 of the Pelican River Forest and deed the easement to the affected Counties; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the State purchase a 66' wide right of way over the proposed woods roads and deed those to the affected Counties within Phase 2 of the proposed easement; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the DNR gives the affected counties the endowment funds that they proposed to the grantor for road maintenance in the proposed agreement; and

Be it Further Resolved, that Oneida County does not want more public land within their County without County and Town approval if Federal or State funds are used to purchase easements; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the severance taxes on timber sales from Managed Forest Lands, eliminated in a previous budget, be restored to provide the infrastructure needed for harvesting and managing these important lands for our forest industry; and

Be it Further Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution be provided to The Governor, The Secretary of the DNR, all Northern Counties and all State Representatives of the Northern Counties.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Pelican River Forest Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

Vote Required: Majority = ✓ 2/3 Majority = _____ 3/4 Majority = _____

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes ✓ No _____ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, _____, Date: 5.16.23

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Pelican River Forest Committee this 9th day of May, 2023.

Consent Agenda Item: _____YES _X_ NO

Offered and passage moved by:

Robert Briggs
Supervisor

Supervisor

Supervisor

Supervisor

Supervisor

12 Ayes

6 Nays

1 Absent

2 Abstain

X Adopted

by the County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of May , 2023.

___ Defeated

Tracy Hartman, County Clerk

Scott Holewinski, County Board Chair

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Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Roach	X			
Newman		X		
Fisher				X
Showalter	—	—	X	
Timmons	X			
Harris		X		
Schultz	X			
Rio		X		
Kelly		X		
Winkler	X			
Oettinger	X			
Briggs	X			
Condado	X			
Fried	X			
Schreier		X		
Sorgel		X		
Jensen				X
Almekinder	X			
Cushing	X			
Ryden	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	12	6	1	2
TAGS				

Amended Resolution # 25 – 2023: Offered by the Supervisors of the Pelican River Forest Committee to object to the State removing future taxable land by purchasing conservation and access easements.

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Failed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Ryden				
Fisher				
Newman				
Fried				
Almekinder				
Rio				
Winkler				
Cushing				
Showalter				
Schreier				
Briggs				
Schultz				
Oettinger				
Timmons				
Jensen				
Kelly				
Sorgel				
Harris				
Condado				
Roach				
Holewinski				
TOTALS				
TAGS				

Motion by Briggs to amend the resolution
Line 19 to strike "no" and state "none of the" affected towns and strike "only one" and state "none" of the three affected counties.
Line 37 add "Snowmobile" before ATV/UTV"
Line 40 add "Snowmobile" before ATV/UTV"
Following line 53 add
"Be It Further Resolved, that Oneida County does not want more than 30% of a town within Oneida County or the County have 30% of government owned land or under government control such as conservation easements;

Seconded by Oettinger

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Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Schultz	X			
Jensen	X			
Fried	X			
Condado	X			
Kelly	X			
Winkler	X			
Roach	X			
Ryden	X			
Schreier	X			
Almekinder	X			
Briggs	X			
Rio	X			
Timmons	X			
Cushing	X			
Showalter			X	
Newman	X			
Sorgel	X			
Oettinger	X			
Harris	X			
Fisher	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	20		1	
TAGS				

Motion by Jensen to divide the question making question one lines 19-40 and question 2 line 53 addition.

Seconded by Schreier

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Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Timmons	X			
Cushing	X			
Fried	X			
Harris	X			
Newman		X		
Condado	X			
Briggs	X			
Showalter			X	
Jensen	X			
Winkler	X			
Ryden	X			
Fisher	X			
Roach	X			
Sorgel		X		
Rio	X			
Alemekinder	X			
Schreier	X			
Schultz	X			
Oettinger	X			
Kelly	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	18	2	1	
TAGS				

Question 1
Motion by Briggs to amend the resolution
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Line 40 add "Snowmobile" before ATV/UTV"

Seconded by Oettinger

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Failed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Rio		X		
Condado	X			
Newman		X		
Schreier		X		
Timmons	X			
Winkler				X
Harris		X		
Oettinger	X			
Briggs	X			
Fried		X		
Showalter			X	
Almekinder	X			
Cushing		X		
Ryden		X		
Schultz	X			
Fisher		X		
Roach	X			
Sorgel		X		
Kelly		X		
Jensen		X		
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	8	11	1	
TAGS				

Motion by Briggs to amend the resolution
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Seconded by Oettinger

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Failed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Newman		X		
Almekinder		X		
Cushing		X		
Jensen		X		
Kelly		X		
Fisher		X		
Condado		X		
Harris		X		
Sorgel		X		
Schultz		X		
Roach		X		
Showalter			X	
Schreier		X		
Rio		√		
Timmons		X		
Ryden		X		
Briggs		X		
Fried		X		
Winkler		X		
Oettinger		X		
Holewinski		X		
TOTALS		20	1	
TAGS				

Motion by Schreier to strike lines 50, 51 and 52 and replace it with the following:
Be It Further Resolved, that the severance taxes on timber sales from Managed Forest Lands, eliminated in a previous budget, be restored to provide the infrastructure needed for harvesting and managing these important lands for our forest industry; and

Seconded by Rio

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Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Kelly	X			
Winkler	X			
Schultz	X			
Cushing	X			
Timmons	X			
Rio		X		
Showalter			X	
Jensen	X			
Oettinger	X			
Schreier	X			
Condado	X			
Sorgel	X			
Newman		X		
Roach	X			
Ryden	X			
Harris	X			
Almekinder	X			
Fried	X			
Fisher	X			
Briggs	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	18	2	1	
TAGS				

Motion by Schreier to add language after line 52:
Be It Further Resolved, that the severance taxes on timber sales from Managed Forest Lands, eliminated in a previous budget, be restored to provide the infrastructure needed for harvesting and managing these important lands for our forest industry; and

Seconded by Cushing

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Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Briggs	X			
Rio		X		
Harris	X			
Sorgel	X			
Condado	X			
Ryden	X			
Almekinder	X			
Showalter			X	
Timmons	X			
Winkler	X			
Fried	X			
Fisher	X			
Roach	X			
Oettinger	X			
Kelly	X			
Cushing	X			
Schreier	X			
Schultz	X			
Newman		X		
Jensen	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	18	2	1	
TAGS				

Motion by Schreier to add at line 29
Whereas, the low property taxes paid on Managed Forest Lands inadequately compensates local government for the infrastructure and services they provide; and

Seconded by Timmons

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Failed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Winkler	X			
Rio	X			
Fried		X		
Newman	X			
Harris		X		
Fisher		X		
Jensen		X		
Sorgel	X			
Roach		X		
Condado		X		
Oettinger		X		
Ryden		X		
Almekinder		X		
Kelly	X			
Showalter			X	
Cushing		X		
Briggs		X		
Timmons		X		
Schreier	X			
Schultz		X		
Holewinski		X		
Totals	10	14	1	
TAGS				

Motion by Kelly to send the Resolution back to the committee and bring back to the June County Board meeting.

Seconded by Sorgel.