

AMENDED

Resolution No. 05-04/19

**Supporting Funding Renewal for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program**

1 Moved/Sponsored by: Park Committee

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3 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Legislature created the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program in  
4 1989 to preserve valuable natural areas and wildlife habitat, protect water quality and fisheries,  
5 and expand opportunities for outdoor recreation; and,

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7 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ch. 23.0915(2c)(d), Wis. Stats., the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship  
8 Program is set to expire in 2020; and,

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10 **WHEREAS**, the program has supported land acquisition and capital development by the  
11 Department of Natural Resources (DNR), local governments, and nonprofit conservation  
12 organizations to preserve valuable natural areas, wildlife habitat, water quality and outdoor  
13 recreation for public benefit around the state; and,

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15 **WHEREAS**, Walworth County has utilized Stewardship grant funds to develop public outdoor  
16 recreation opportunities, most recently acquiring and improving the White River County Park  
17 through the program, and,

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19 **WHEREAS**, this resolution supports the continuation of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship  
20 Program.

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22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors  
23 considers Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program a valuable tool to preserve and restore natural  
24 areas, wildlife habitat, and water quality while supporting the development of public nature-  
25 based outdoor recreation opportunities that promote economic development and enhance quality  
26 of life.

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28 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors does support  
29 funding renewal for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program; and,

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31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Walworth County Clerk be directed to forward a  
32 copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Legislature and the Governor, and the Wisconsin  
33 Department of Natural Resources Secretary, 101 S. Webster Street, Madison, WI 53702.  
34 Wisconsin Counties Association

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38 Nancy Russell  
39 County Board Chair

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38 Kimberly S. Bushey  
39 County Clerk

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41 County Board Meeting Date: April 16, 2019

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43 Action Required: Majority Vote   x  

Two-thirds Vote \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Ordinance was:  
Action: Roll Call/U.C./Voice  
Action: Adopted/Referred/Laid Over  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Noes: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: April 16, 2019

Policy and Fiscal Note is attached.

Reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 2-91 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances:

DA76      22 March 19  
David A. Bretl      Date  
County Administrator/Corporation Counsel

N And      3/25/19  
Nicole Andersen      Date  
Deputy County Administrator - Finance

If unsigned, exceptions shall be so noted by the County Administrator.

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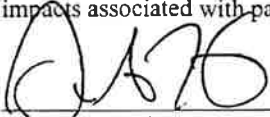
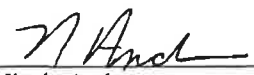
- I. **Title:** Supporting Funding Renewal for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program
  
- II. **Purpose and Policy Impact Statement:** The purpose of this resolution is to support funding renewal for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.
  
- III. **Budget and Fiscal Impact:** Passage of this resolution will have no fiscal impact on the County budget.
  
- IV. **Referred to the following standing committees for consideration and date of referral:**

Committee: Park Committee Meeting Date: March 18, 2019

Vote: 5-0

County Board Meeting Date: April 16, 2019

Policy and fiscal note has been reviewed and approved as an accurate statement of the probable policy and fiscal impacts associated with passage of the attached resolution.

 _____ David A. Bretl County Administrator/Corporation Counsel	22 March 19 _____ Date	 _____ Nicole Andersen Deputy County Administrator – Finance	3/25/19 _____ Date
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