

AGENDA
JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS COMMITTEE
Jefferson County Courthouse
320 S Main Street, Rm 202
Jefferson WI 53549
January 7, 2013 @ 1:00 p.m.

Committee: Glen Borland, Mike Kelly, Rick Kuhlman, Steve Nass, Augie Tietz

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law
4. Review of the Agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Approval of the December 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes
7. Communications
 - a. View Mason Log Home Condition Report Online
 - b. Cabin Dismantling
 - c. Rock Lake Improvement Group Hears a Report by UW Students
 - d. Waterloo Historical Society donation for signage at Garman Mounds
 - e. WISDOT email of December 13, 2012 re: Surplus Land West of Jefferson 21.8 acres
 - f. Bike Path Donation
 - g. Mason Log Home to Become a Museum
 - h. Youth Hunt
 - i. Log Home Restores a Sense of Place, History – Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
8. Discussion and possible decision on request for temporary construction staging at the old "Lamp" property – Town of Sumner
9. Discussion and possible decision on resolution for Rock River Shoreline Restoration
10. Discussion and possible decision on amending hunting, trapping and firearms section of Park Ordinance Section 8.06 (1)
11. Update on Watertown-Waterloo Bike Trail Planning
12. Update on GHA project
13. Set Tentative Meeting Dates/Times for: February 4, 2013 at 1:00 pm
14. Adjourn

The Committee may discuss and/or take action on any item specifically listed on the agenda.

Individuals requiring special accommodations for attendance at the meeting should contact the County Administrator at 920-674-7101; 24 hours prior to the meeting, so appropriate arrangements can be made.

View Mason Log Home condition report online

The Jefferson County Parks Department continues its efforts to restore the Mason Log Home, located in Dorothy Carnes Park, just outside of Fort Atkinson.

The Mason Jar Jamboree, held this past fall, was the kick-off event for the project. A total of 150 attended the event that raised just over \$4,000.

The Jefferson County Parks Department also has been working with Charles Quagliana, AIA, preservation architect, to complete the Condition Assessment

Report for the log home.

This project has been funded, in part, by a grant from the Jeffris Family Preservation Services Fund and Wisconsin National Trust for Historic Preservation.

A stakeholders group and the public are invited to comment on the report. The report can be viewed online at the Jefferson County Parks Department website at www.jeffersoncountywi.gov/parks.

All comments should be sent to kevinw@jeffersoncountywi.gov or called in to (920) 674-7260.

If interested in additional information on the log home restoration project or in supporting the project either through volunteering or financially, contact the Jefferson County Parks Department at (920) 674-7260 or janes@jeffersoncountywi.gov.

JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

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January 7, 2013, @ 1:00 p.m.

Committee: Glen Borland, Mike Kelly, Rick Kuhlman, Steve Nass, Augie Tietz

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Borland at 1:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee members present included: Borland, Kelly, Kuhlman, Nass and Tietz. Others present: Joe Nehmer, Gary Petre, John Molinaro, Jane Stanger, Kim Buchholz, Phil Ristow, Kevin Wiesmann, David Habeck, Patricia Cicero, Rob Klotz, Brian Christenson, Rob Montgomery and Bill O'Connor.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law – In compliance

4. Review of the Agenda – Approved

5. Public Comment

Stanger read a note from a land owner on Lamp Road commenting on the great job the Parks Department is doing maintaining Altpeter Park and the flood mitigation properties on Lamp Road.

6. Approval of the December 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Nass, seconded by Kuhlman, to approve the December 3, 2012 meeting minutes. Carried 5-0.

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8. Discussion and possible decision on request for temporary construction staging at the old "Lamp" property – Town of Sumner

Rob Montgomery from Montgomery Associates asked permission to stage equipment on the old Lamp property while they dredge a small area on Lake Koshkonong to stabilize a nearby wetland shoreline. The area is presently being used for parking trailers and cars by snowmobilers, fisherman and motorcycles. Montgomery stated the project is authorized as a joint Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Rock-Koshkonong Lake District (WDNR/RKLD) project

under state manual code approval and is funded in part with a WDNR Lake Protection Grant. The Army Corp of Engineers has also issued a permit for the project. Zoning Permits have been obtained. The project will take approximately 2 months to complete.

Motion made by Nass, seconded by Tietz, to approve use of the Lamp property to stage equipment on during the project. Motion carried 5-0.

9. Discussion and possible decision on resolution for Rock River Shoreline Restoration
Buchholz reported that last year we applied for a grant to redo the shoreline at Rock River Park. We were awarded the grant. Recently we went out to bid for the project. We received 14 bids. Chils, owned by Rodney & Kathy Zerner out of Eagle, came in as the low bid. The estimated grant project was for \$26,716 of which the state portion is 75% and the county is 25%.

Motion made by Nass, seconded by Kuhlman, to approve the acceptance of the bid. Carried 5-0.

The resolution will go to the County Board at the February Meeting.

10. Discussion and possible decision on amending hunting, trapping and firearms section of Park Ordinance Section 8.06 (1)

Ristow discussed the changes proposed to the Park Ordinance Section 8.06 (1) amending the hunting, trapping and firearms section of the ordinance. A discussion ensued.

Motion made by Kuhlman, seconded by Tietz, to present this ordinance to the County Board in February. Carried 5-0.

11. Update on Watertown-Waterloo Bike Trail

Nehmer reported that Smith JJR Group will be in the City of Watertown on Wednesday to present final draft to the Steering Committee and at the public Meeting. Steering Committee will be from 5:00 – 6:00 pm at the Watertown Senior Center. The public meeting to follow from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Tietz added that this is the final step in this process to getting the trail done and planned. The next step will be getting some costs and applying for grants.

12. Update on GHA Project

Nehmer reported he was out with DNR staff looking at a potential acquisition for GHA.

Molinaro discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that was signed by the County Board but has not been signed by the DNR. It seems this has stalled because of the Act 168 and changes may have to be done on the MOU to reflect Act 168. The committee discussed what options they could possibly take to get the MOU completed.

Nehmer reported there is a small group within the DNR that is working on the Holzhueter Master Plan. They hope to have it done by the end March.

13. Set Tentative Meeting Dates/Times for: February 4, 2013 at 1:00 pm

Glen will not be at Feb. Meeting

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 2:06 p.m. made by Kuhlman, seconded by Nass. Motion carried 5-0.

THURSDAY

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December 6, 2012

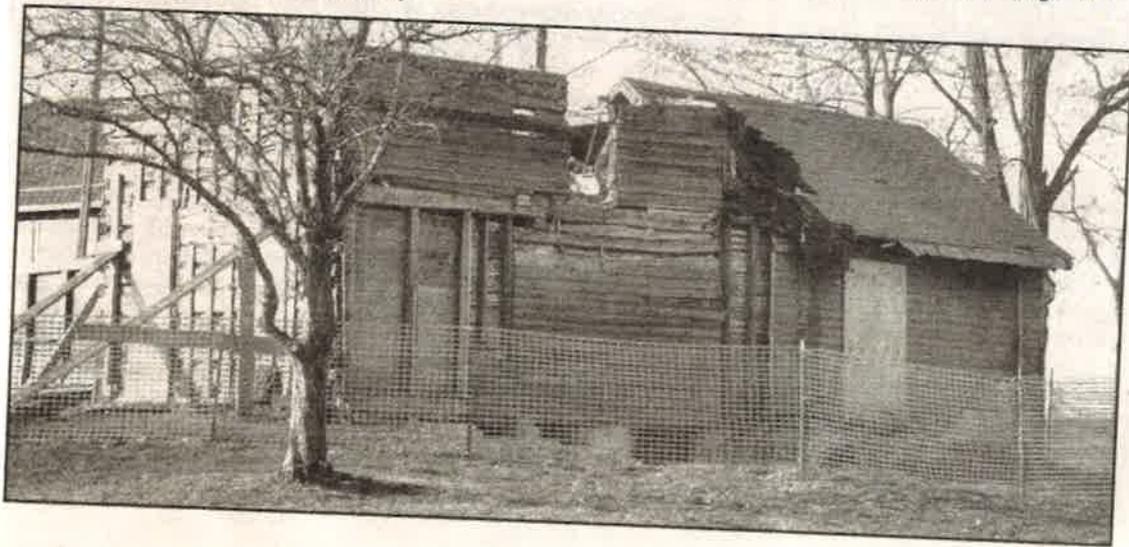


CABIN DISMANTLING — Volunteers were invited to the east side of Dorothy Carnes County Park to help parks staff with the deconstruction of the Mason log home on Tuesday and Wednesday. Volunteers helped tear off the roof and began numbering and disassembling the walls. According to Jefferson County Parks Department operation supervisor Kevin Wiesmann, one volunteer joined in with the efforts to take apart the fully-intact 1850s two-story log cabin Tuesday and two stepped forward Wednesday. The cabin was discovered on the county property in 2004, wrapped by an old farmhouse. Above, workers put unsalvageable pieces of the cabin into the dumpster. At left, there might not be a window

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MASON CABIN — Workers began disassembling the Mason log home in Dorothy Carnes County Park this week. The 1850s two-story log cabin was discovered within an old farmhouse on the county property in 2004; since then, there have been efforts to restore the unique treasure. Volunteers were welcomed to join work crews to take apart the log home during some of Wisconsin's best deconstruction weather. Shown above, the original and salvageable logs are being numbered and stored until the cabin can be rebuilt. Below, the roof and tresses have been taken down, which, according to Jefferson County Parks Department operation supervisor Kevin Weissman, was a tough job. Related photos appear on page 1. — Daily Union photos by Karyn Spory.



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Rock Lake Improvement group hears a report by UW students

LAKE MILLS — Approximately 36 people, including many residents of the area along and near the Miljala Channel, joined the Rock Lake Improvement Association (RLIA) Board for the final report by University of Wisconsin-Madison Water Resources Management graduate students on Nov. 15.

During the past year, the students have conducted extensive studies of the drainage ditch that flows to the channel which connects to Rock Lake. The surrounding watershed includes farmland, Korth Park and part of the Shorewood Hills area.

The comprehensive report included a history of the area, nutrient, sediment and bacteria sampling results, and ideas for solutions to phosphorous, bacteria and excess sediment problems. Potential funding options to pay for the solutions also were discussed.

Prior to the 1900s, the study area consisted of several wetlands laying between the glacier-created hills. Soon after the turn of the century, the land was converted to agricultural use through draining by ditches and drain tile. Homes also were built in the area.

In 1957, the Miljala Channel was excavated to provide lake access for the new subdivision. Dredging of this navigation channel, at times extensive, has been used since the late 1980s at considerable cost to homeowners.

The potential to carry sediments and other pollutants beyond the channel and into the lake make the runoff a potential problem for everyone who cares about Rock Lake. The students examined topographic maps, took readings from shallow wells placed in the ground at key points, collected many soil and water samples, and performed computer analyses to model the movement of water through the landscape to understand the small watershed.

Using a device to take automated measurements of the flow in the ditch, they found that unless there are very heavy rains, water in the area tends to quickly soak into the ground which consists of wetland soil types. During this year's drought and heat, daily fluctuations in flow could be as much as three inches due to plant usage at different times of day.

Sediment cores were taken from behind the turbidity curtain in the navigation channel to determine where the excess sediments originated. Although the

channel dredgings might look like muck, they primarily are made up of fine sand that has been carried downstream as the drainage ditch cuts through the hills which contain glacial material.

A significant source of phosphorous appears to be coming from the upper part of the watershed, a farm field east of Highway S. The farm managers already are working actively to update their nutrient management plan to improve the situation.

The students speculate that bacteria in the ditch comes from animal sources, both wildlife and agricultural manure spreading. Due to the drought, it was not possible to collect an adequate post-storm water sample to confirm the source through lab tests. The tests would have distinguished if the sources were human wastes or from animals, but they are not able to distinguish between wildlife and farm animals.

However, the students were able to rule out septic or sewer leaks due to the fact that bacteria levels fluctuated. If a septic or sewer leak was occurring, then the bacteria levels would be consistent.

The students suggested areas within the watershed where wetland restorations planted with native vegetation could slow the flow of water to the channel and lake. They felt problems could be addressed by restoring as little as three acres of wetland and minimal inconvenience for neighbors.

By slowing the flow, the water would not have enough energy to carry as much sand, reducing dredging needs. It would fall out of the water within the ditch or wetlands instead.

The wetland soils would have

more time to soak in more of the water holding bacteria, capturing the bacteria where it could break down safely. Native wetland plants could help take up phosphorous carried in the water.

The actual plan chosen will be based on further discussions with the community and the other partners involved in the current grant. Partnership also are key to the types of funding that might be available to work toward a solution.

RLIA could apply for a Lake Management Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources or other grants suggested by the students. Strong partnerships and an early consultation with a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources project manager often are a major part of a successful grant application.

Potentially, a partnership with the Jefferson County Parks Department might lead to opportunities to do the wetland restorations on Korth Park land, further enhancing the habitat value of the park and making the project even more attractive to funding agencies.

RLIA and community members present at the meeting thanked the students for their invaluable partnership in conducting the study. Their work will be incorporated into the final report which RLIA, Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department, and Montgomery Associates: Resource Solutions LLC will complete as part of the current Lake Planning Grant.

The students' written report will be posted on the RLIA website (www.rocklake.org) when available early in 2013.



STUDY DRAINAGE DITCH — During the past year, University of Wisconsin-Madison Water Resource Management graduate students have conducted extensive studies of the drainage ditch that flows to the channel which connects to Rock Lake. They gave a final report.



Waterloo Area Historical Society
P. O. Box 52
Waterloo, Wisconsin 53594

December 6, 2012

John Molinaro
Kevin Weisman
Jefferson County Park Board
320 S. Main St. Rm 204
Jefferson, WI 53549

Dear John and Kevin,

Sorry this is so late, but I have been out of state and just returned. I want to thank you John for coming to our Society Annual Meeting and talking about the last survey that was completed, which included Waterloo Township.

I want to thank you Kevin for driving me around on the suggested tour that didn't happen in September, but hopefully next year. Also, many thanks for the Garman Preserve work and sponsored talk about the restoration of the 21 Native American Mounds that was Nov. 10th. Again, sorry for this late letter.

I am enclosing a check for \$500 to be applied to the signage of the Mounds. I appreciate all the work done there and hopefully can help out more next summer.

Again, thank you both for the work that you do preserving historic sites in Jefferson County, many local people have talked with me about the November 10 meeting, all good comments!

Sincerely,

Maureen Giese, President and Curator

Board of Directors: Karen Turley, Rita Dow, Ruth Quade Deppe, Jim Reynolds, Kathy Lawrence, Nancy Neupert, Dale Maron

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Jane Stanger

From: Joe Nehmer
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2012 11:45 AM
To: 'rep.jorgensen@legis.wi.gov'; 'Vesperman, Mark - DOT'; 'Didion, Andy'; 'slewis@jeffersonabc.com'; Glen Borland; Rick Kuhlman; Steve Nass; Augie Tietz; Mike Kelly
Cc: Kevin Wiesmann; Kim Buchholz - Parks; Jane Stanger
Subject: FW: DOT surplus land west of Jefferson on the Crawfish River

FYI

Joe

From: McAllister, Jan - DOT [<mailto:Jan.McAllister@dot.wi.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2012 11:29 AM
To: Joe Nehmer
Subject: RE: DOT surplus land west of Jefferson on the Crawfish River

Hi Joe,

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WisDOT has continued to work on your request to purchase this surplus land. Currently, I am waiting for approval from the office that conducts a cultural resource review (arch search) of the property. Once I have their approval, I will arrange to have the property appraised. WisDOT will pay for the appraisal.

Access to the land and public fishing from DOT property is not allowed. WisDOT has an agreement with the DNR for certain sites to be open to the public for hunting and fishing. This parcel is not included in the agreement. It is not an easy process to have new parcels added to the agreement.

Jan

From: Joe Nehmer [<mailto:JoeN@jeffersoncountywi.gov>]
Sent: Friday, December 07, 2012 3:52 PM
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Subject: DOT surplus land west of Jefferson on the Crawfish River

Hi Jan,

I hope this correspondence finds you doing well. The last time you and I spoke you were going to attempt to find out if DOT or Jefferson County would be responsible for paying for an appraisal on the property identified above. This was relative to Jefferson County's desire to accommodate outdoor recreation demand on this parcel.

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Two prominent local business people, Andy Didion and Steve Lewis, have petitioned the Jefferson County Parks Committee to take responsibility for this property for the purpose of outdoor recreation and environmental conservation. They have already provided with us a list of eight local organizations that are committed to helping Jefferson County clean-up and maintain this parcel on the Crawfish River.

Ryan Ellifson, local WI DNR Conservation Warden has also asked the Parks Committee to make whatever provisions are necessary to allow the public access to this parcel for fishing. Warden Ellifson stated that numerous people had inquired of him about public fishing on this land.

If WI DOT were to allow access to this land, pent up recreation demand could be addressed. Doing this would also negate the need to spend money on an appraisal. Please let me know about the possibility of this happening.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Joe Nehmer, Director
Jefferson County Parks Department

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At Dorothy Carnes Park

Mason log home to become a museum

By Karyn Spory
Union staff writer

JEFFERSON — The 160-year-old Mason homestead will be restored initially as a log structure and used as an educational museum.

That was the decision when the Jefferson County Parks Department held a stakeholders meeting Wednesday night on the restoration of the Mason log home at Dorothy Carnes County Park.

The log home was discovered in 2004, preserved by a farmhouse that had been built around it. It is located west of Fort Atkinson on property added to the east side of Dorothy Carnes County Park.

In 2011, seven years after the log home was discovered in the Town of Jefferson, the Parks Department held charette to figure out what could be made of the property.

"Everybody sat around the table, we had some stakeholder meetings like this and we really decided what we wanted to do with this property ... what was worth investing the time and money into and what was not," said county parks operation supervisor Kevin Wiesmann. "As a

park manager, I want to encourage people to go out and recreate in and enjoy these places."

Wiesmann said he always is concerned that old farm buildings might be a lure for youngsters or, possibly, vandals.

"I'm always looking at how are we investing our money and time for making those buildings safer," he said. "Are we going to keep them, (demolish) them, recycle them, have somebody come in and move them from the property? What are we going to do?"

In this case, the decision was made to keep the log homestead and restore it. The barn and two other outbuildings on the property also will remain.

"As of this year, we have a new roof on the barn. It's stable, it's in a good place," reported Wiesmann.

He then skimmed through the 2012 condition assessment completed by preservation architect Charles Quagliana of Madison.

The report visited each facet of the log home, providing an assessment and recommendation.

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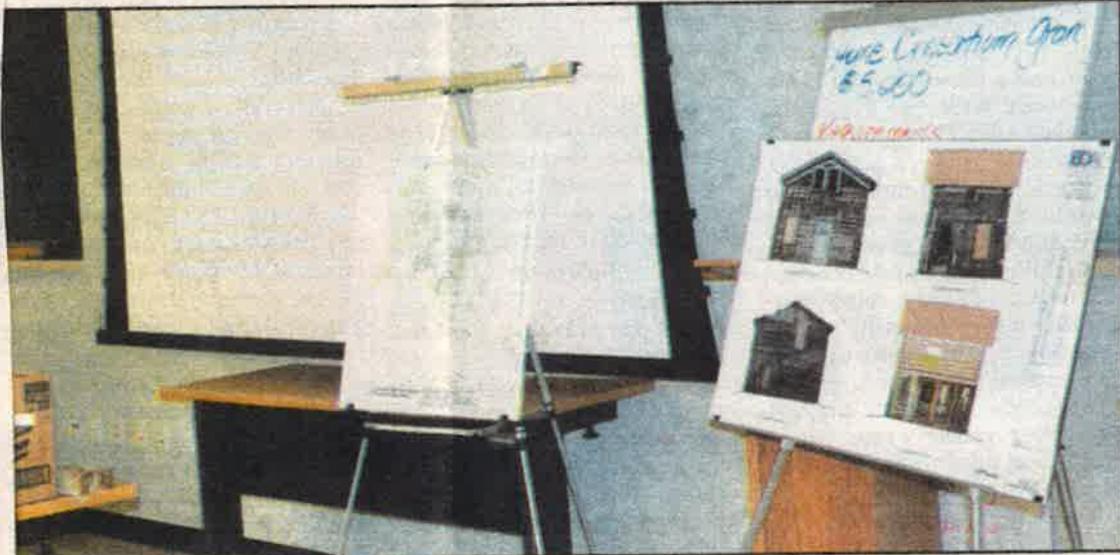
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YOUTH HUNT — The Jefferson County Parks Department hosted its first annual youth gun deer hunt in Dorothy Carnes County Park this year. The hunt was designed to allow for two youth hunters to access the park's undeveloped northern areas during the regular 2012 Wisconsin gun deer season. Applications were accepted and two hunters were drawn to participate in the hunt. Each of the two youth hunters was accompanied by an adult hunting mentor at all times during the hunt. One of the youth hunters chosen was Caleb Hacht, 11, who harvested his first deer this year. After the hunt, Caleb was all smiles as he recalled the events leading up to his successful harvest. "Seeing his excitement and energy as he told me about his hunt makes this opportunity in our parks very special," said operations supervisor Kevin Wiesmann. The Parks Department plans to continue its youth hunting program in 2013 and applications will be available at the beginning of September 2013. Above, Caleb Hacht and mentor Jason Hacht of Fort Atkinson are pictured with Caleb's first deer, harvested during the regular 2012 Wisconsin gun deer season. Shown above, Caleb Hacht and mentor Jason Hacht of Fort Atkinson are pictured with Caleb's first deer, harvested during the regular 2012 Wisconsin gun deer season.

COMMUNITY BRIEF

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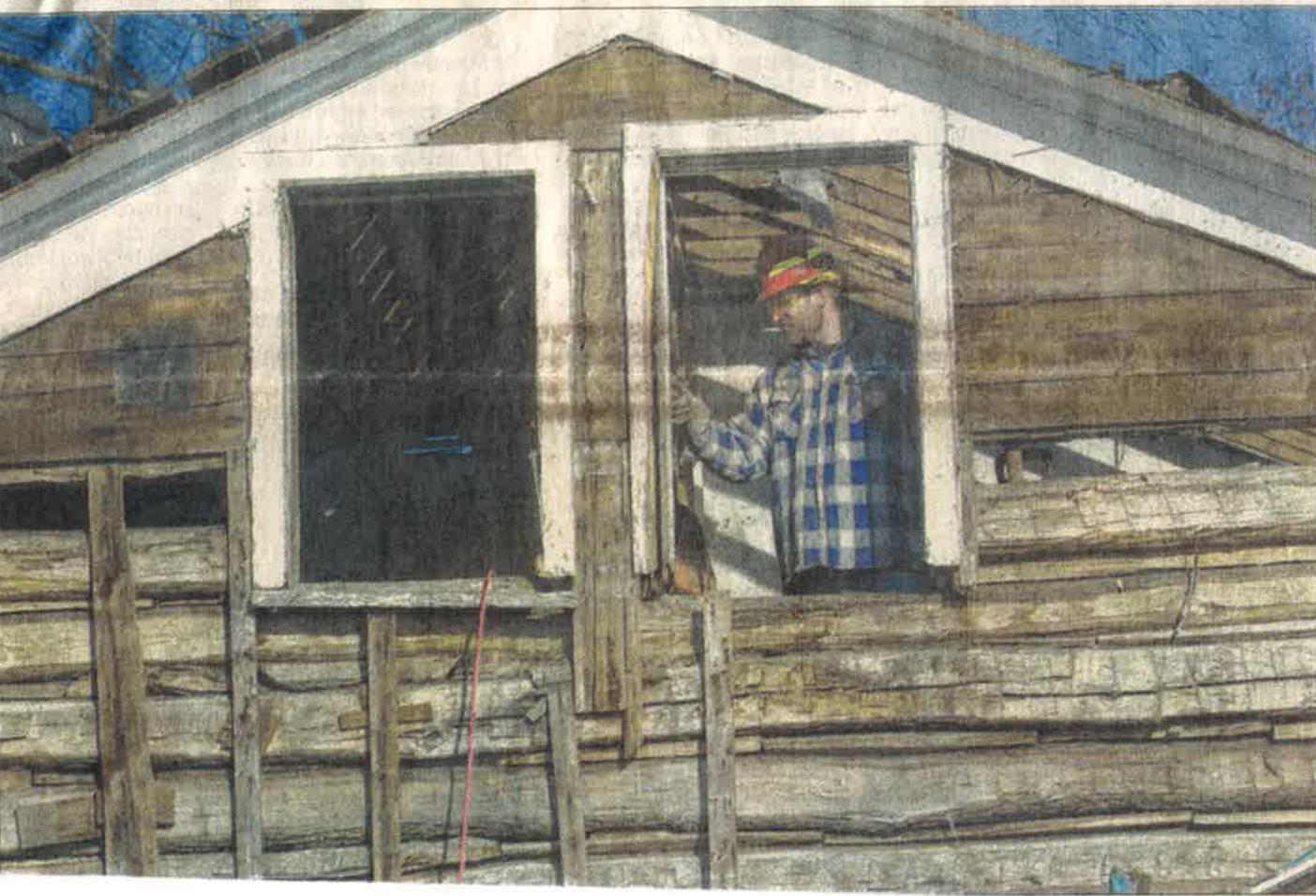
JASON HACHT/SUBMITTED PHOTO

Jason Hacht and Caleb Hacht with Caleb's first deer, harvested during the hunt.

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DISAPPEARING WISCONSIN | THE MASON HOUSE



Kevin Wiesmann, Jefferson County Parks Department operations supervisor, disassembles a two-story log home built in the 1850s in Fort Atkinson. For more photos, go to jsonline.com/photos.

Log home restores a sense of place, history

Renovation of 1850s building gives a glimpse into Wisconsin's early years

By MEG JONES

mjones@journalsentinel.com

Fort Atkinson — The nails are square, the logs are white oak and basswood, and the insulation is 150-year-old newspapers. It's true they don't make homes like they used to, and that is why a group is painstakingly disassembling a log house in a Jefferson County park.

The two-story, 16-by-20-foot log house, built in the 1850s by a family that was among the pioneer settlers in this area of Wisconsin, is being pulled apart piece by piece this month by volunteers and county parks employees. Each piece will be numbered, color coded and stored in an adjacent building this winter before a new foundation is poured and the building is fitted back together next summer.



Mason

As volunteers armed with power tools are taking the log house apart, they can't help but appreciate the craftsmanship of a different era.

"We thought about that all day. Imagine what we're doing but with just hand tools," Kevin Wiesmann, Jefferson County parks operations supervisor, said earlier this month.

Pointing to mortise-and-tenon joints in the second story where the roof beams had already been removed, Wiesmann said: "Look, you can see the original scribe marks."

Those marks were likely made by the sons of Elias Mason — Elias Jr., who would fight in the Civil War with the 1st Wisconsin Cavalry, and his younger brother Jeremiah, elected Fort Atkinson's mayor in the 1880s.

The Mason house was built in what's known as the stack-notch style, where the weight of the logs at the corners holds the building together.



More on pioneer online

Jeremiah Mason's diary has been digitized and is available online at www.wisconsinhistory.org/turningpoints/search.asp?id=1763

Please see **LOG HOME, 5B**

LOG HOME

History comes alive

Jeremiah Mason kept a diary, which is now in the Wisconsin Historical Society.

"It's a nice historical document," said Julia Ince, a University of Wisconsin-Whitewater art history professor who has researched the history of the building and the Mason family. "There are comments about the property and how they used the farm fields. It's usually a few sentences each day. There are some fun things like how they went to a local tavern and had ice cream on the Fourth of July."

The Mason cabin is noteworthy because the property was one of the first in Wisconsin to be purchased by a married woman.

Bought by the second wife of Elias Mason Sr., who was the mother of Elias Jr. and Jeremiah, the property was acquired a week before the governor signed the law in 1850 allowing married women to buy land, Ince said.

The log house was likely built a year or two later, probably with trees felled nearby and dragged by horses to the site. It's not considered a cabin because it's two stories tall and has several rooms. Later a kitchen was added and sections of the original building were cut away. Those sections will be fabricated and fitted back in place when the house is reassembled next summer, Wiesmann said.

Construction was rudimentary — nothing fancy but very solid. It was built in what's known as the stack-notch style where the weight of the logs at the corners holds the building together, said Lyle Lid-

Pieces of history

Volunteers are dismantling piece by piece an 1850s log house near Fort Atkinson so that a new foundation can be poured. The cabin was built by the Mason family, who were among the pioneer settlers in the Fort Atkinson area. The building will be fitted back together next summer.



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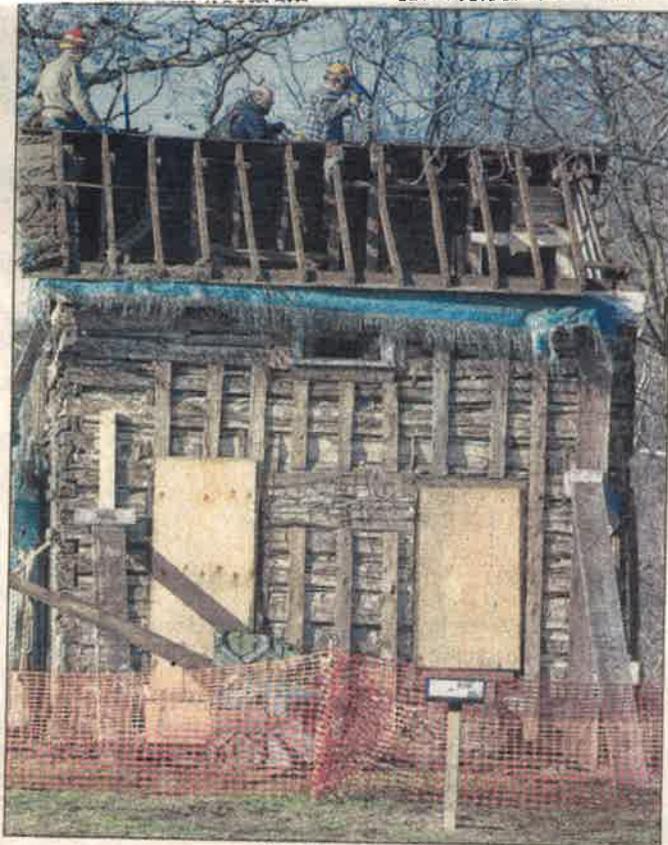
holm, a log cabin expert who worked at Old World Wisconsin.

"The man that built the house had a basic knowledge of how to do this but he wasn't what I call an expert," Lidholm said.

The logs were stacked with mortar chinking in between and lined with newspapers to keep out the wind. Most likely the trees cut down to clear the land for farming were used to build the house. In those days it was common for immigrants to build a log house, save their money and build a nicer home, then use the log cabin as a pig sty or barn, said Lidholm, who is helping with the Mason home project.

"These people were some of the first homesteaders in the area. It was just a few years after Wisconsin became a state at a time when the state was seeing an influx of people moving west," Lidholm said. "It's significant in the history of Jefferson County."

The Mason family owned the property for 18 years.



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Volunteer Tom Zimmermann (left) and Jefferson County parks workers J.R. Klement and Tom Miller deconstruct the 1850s home.

TO DONATE

Donations can be made to Jefferson County Parks Department, Mason Log Home Project and sent to: Jefferson County Parks Department, 320 S. Main St., Room 204, Jefferson, WI 53549

After his parents died, Jeremiah Mason sold the log house, farm buildings and property in 1868. A decade later a huge tornado cut a swath through the area. The 1878 twister destroyed the buildings except for the log house, which lost its roof and was moved off its foundation but otherwise withstood the tornado, according to a detailed account in the local newspaper.

A man living in the home was injured by the tornado and died of his injuries a few months later, Ince said.

Part of the 600-acre Dorothy Carnes County Park, the Mason log house and farm buildings will be restored to what they looked like during the 1850s and outfitted with period utensils, furniture and equipment. The county is raising

money through grants and donations, and Mason family members still living in the area have volunteered to match donations up to \$25,000.

Jeff Mason lives in Fort Atkinson and grew up next to the property his ancestors hewed from the land. He's the sixth generation descended from Jeremiah Mason, the diary writer and Fort Atkinson mayor. He and his family are excited to see the log house preserved.

"It gives you a real feeling of being grounded, it gives you a feeling of place," Jeff Mason said of continuing the long line of Masons living in Fort Atkinson. "It makes you think about the nature of how people lived back then, how tough it was and how tough they had to be."

Helmut Knies, collection development coordinator for the historical society, said he

The Dane County Sheriff's Department said it responded

Gov. Scott Walker was called a Feb. 19 primary and an April 2 general election to forward because he was scared.



December 28, 2012

Supervisor Glen Borland, Chairman and members,
Jefferson County Parks Committee

and

Mr. Joseph Nehmer, Director
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Courthouse - Room 204
Jefferson, WI 53549

Re: DNR/Rock-Koshkonong Lake District (RKLD)
Experimental Dredging-Shoreland and Wetland Protection Project

Dear Supervisor Borland, members of the Parks Committee, and Mr. Nehmer:

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the RKLD are undertaking an experimental project this winter to dredge a small area of the bed of Lake Koshkonong and place the dredge spoils behind containment structures to stabilize a nearby wetland shoreline.

In order to complete the work, construction equipment will need to be temporarily placed on a nearby parcel of land. As part of our work as project engineers, we identified a parcel that would be well suited for construction equipment staging. The parcel is owned by Jefferson County and located just east of the North Shore Launch Ramp in the Town of Sumner, as shown on the attached figure.

The purpose of this letter is to request the County's permission to use the County's parcel as a staging area for construction equipment this winter. The selected contractor will access the property via North Shore Rd., as shown on the attached map. RKLD will coordinate signage and security on the project site with the selected construction contractor and will restore the area utilized to pre-existing conditions after the work is completed. The project will be completed between mid-January and late April, 2013.

This experimental project was developed through the recently completed Planning Assistance to States project conducted by the Wisconsin DNR, RKLD, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under the Lake Koshkonong Comprehensive Project statute (Wis. Stat. Section 30.2025). The project is authorized as a joint Wisconsin DNR/RKLD project under state manual code approval and funded in part with WDNR Lake Protection grant. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has also issued a permit for the project.

I would be happy to provide you with copies of the Plans and Specifications and/or copies of the WDNR and USACE approvals and permits if the Committee requires more detailed information about the

STONE TRACKING PAD
See Sheet 7/8

DREDGE AREA

STAGING AREA

SILT CURTAIN
See Sheet 7/8

HAUL ROUTE
Length: 3,620 feet

ALTERNATE HAUL ROUTE
TOWN ROAD
Length: 2,800 feet

STONE TRACKING PAD
See Sheet 7/8

ALTERNATE HAUL ROUTE
OFF ROAD ACCESS CORRIDOR
Maximum Width: 12 feet
Length: 1,280 feet

POSSIBLE ACCESS
TO CARP GATE
Maximum Width: 12 feet
Length: 760 feet

CARP GATE REPAIR

CONTAINMENT BERM

DREDGE PLACEMENT

SILT CURTAIN
See Sheet 7/8

Project Details

- Staging Area
- Dredge Area
- Haul Route
- Alternate Haul Route- Town Road Access
- Alternate Haul Route- Off Road Access
- Possible Access to Carp Gate
- Edge of Shore
- Fill Area
- Containment Berm
- Riprap Protection
- Tracking Pad
- Silt Curtain



Notes:

- SITE PREPARATION**
- TWO PROJECT BENCHMARKS WILL BE PROVIDED TO CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO PROJECT STARTUP, ONE (1) AT DREDGE AREA AND ONE AT THE CONTAINMENT BERM/DREDGE PLACEMENT AREA.
 - CONTACT DIGGER'S HOTLINE @ 1-800-243-8511 AND/OR ALL APPROPRIATE UTILITY COMPANIES BEFORE EXCAVATION FOR EXACT LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.
 - LOCATE AND PROTECT OVERHEAD AND UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, EDGE OF PAVEMENT, CURBS; TREES (INCLUDING ROOTS), SHRUBS, AND GROUND COVER; BENCHMARKS, MONUMENTS, AND OTHER REFERENCE POINTS; ADJACENT BUILDINGS, MATERIALS AND PROPERTY OWNED BY OTHERS. IF THESE ARE DISTURBED OR DESTROYED, NOTIFY ENGINEER IMMEDIATELY.
 - ALL WORK SHALL BE CONFORMING TO APPLICABLE PERMITS. ALL PERMITS SHALL BE POSTED ONSITE IN A CONSPICUOUS LOCATION EASILY ACCESSED BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
 - SITE DISTURBANCE SHALL BE CONFINED TO THE MINIMUM AREA REASONABLY NECESSARY TO UNDERTAKE THE WORK AS DETERMINED BY THE ENGINEER. PROPERTIES ADJACENT TO STAGING AREA SHALL BE PROTECTED AND CONSTRUCTION FENCING SHALL BE INSTALLED TO PREVENT ACCESS ONTO ADJACENT PROPERTIES.
 - MAINTAIN SITE HOUSEKEEPING TO PROVIDE FOR A SAFE AND ORDERLY PROJECT SITE. COLLECT AND DISPOSE OF DEBRIS DAILY.

- ACCESS**
- UNLESS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY THE ENGINEER, AREAS BEYOND THE ACCESS ROUTE CORRIDOR SHALL NOT BE DISTURBED, INCLUDING TEMPORARY PLACEMENT OF MATERIALS. ALL FLAGGING SHALL REMAIN IN-PLACE FOR THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT. ANY DAMAGE BEYOND THE ACCESS ROUTE CORRIDOR OR AS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY THE ENGINEER SHALL BE RESTORED TO ORIGINAL CONDITION AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE.
 - HAUL ROUTE ALONG THE LAKE BED SHALL BE CONFINED WITHIN 20' AND 100 FEET FROM SHORELINE. RUTTING SHALL BE MINIMIZED AND ENGINEER SHALL BE CONTACTED IF RUTTING OCCURS IN THE LAKE BED. ACCESS TO LAKE BED HAUL ROUTE IS ONLY ALLOWED AT THE DESIGNATED ACCESS POINTS UNLESS APPROVED BY ENGINEER.
 - MEASURES MUST BE ADOPTED TO PREVENT POTENTIAL POLLUTANTS FROM ENTERING THE WATERCOURSE. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND DEBRIS, INCLUDING FUELS, OIL, AND OTHER LIQUID SUBSTANCES WILL NOT BE STORED IN THE CONSTRUCTION AREA IN A MANNER THAT WOULD ALLOW THEM TO ENTER THE WATERCOURSE AS A RESULT OF SPILLAGE, NATURAL RUNOFF, OR FLOODING.
 - OIL, HYDRAULIC FLUID OR OTHER POLLUTANT SPILLS WITHIN LAKEBED AND/OR WETLAND AREAS SHALL BE CONTAINED, ENGINEER CONTACTED, MATERIAL REMOVED AND DISPOSED OF IMMEDIATELY.
 - CLEARING OF THE ALTERNATE HAUL ROUTE SHALL BE CONFINED WITHIN THE ACCESS ROUTE CORRIDOR OR AS DIRECTED AND IN COORDINATION WITH THE ENGINEER.
 - ACCESS TO THE CARP GATE IS TO BE DETERMINED AND SHALL BE COORDINATED WITH THE ENGINEER.

- EROSION CONTROL**
- STOCKPILING OF MATERIALS, VEHICLE PARKING, AND STORING OF EQUIPMENT SHALL BE CONFINED TO THE DESIGNATED STAGING AREA.
 - INSTALL PERIMETER EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SUCH AS SILT CURTAIN (IF NEEDED) AND CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE FENCE PRIOR TO COMMENCING LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES.
 - EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHOWN ON THE PLAN SHALL BE CONSIDERED MINIMUMS. ADDITIONAL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES REQUESTED BY STATE INSPECTORS, LOCAL INSPECTORS AND/OR ENGINEER SHALL BE INSTALLED WITHIN 24 HOURS OF REQUEST.
 - EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE INSPECTED WEEKLY AND AFTER EVERY RAINFALL EVENT EXCEEDING 0.5 INCHES WITHIN 24 HOURS. REPAIR TO EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL OCCUR WITHIN 24 HOURS OF INSPECTION. MAINTAIN AN ON-SITE WRITTEN REPORT OF ALL INSPECTIONS FOR THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT.
 - REMOVE SEDIMENT TRACKED OFF-SITE ONTO PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ROADS BY END OF EACH WORKING DAY.
 - INSTALL EROSION CONTROLS ON THE DOWNSTREAM SIDE OF STOCKPILES. ANY SOIL STOCKPILE THAT REMAINS FOR MORE THAN 30 DAYS SHALL BE COVERED OR TREATED WITH STABILIZATION PRACTICES SUCH AS TEMPORARY SEEDING, OR MULCHING.
 - ALL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED AND MAINTAINED BY THE CONTRACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WISCONSIN ONR CONSTRUCTION SITE EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND THE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY STANDARDS. IT IS THE CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THESE STANDARDS.
 - CONTRACTOR SHALL REMOVE EROSION CONTROL MEASURES AFTER SITE CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETE, AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

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**SITE PREPARATION, ACCESS PLAN,
AND EROSION CONTROL PLAN**
**LAKE KOSHONONG DREDGING &
SHORELINE RESTORATION PROJECT**
Town of Sumner, Jefferson County, WI



IF THIS BAR DOES
NOT MEASURE 1" THEN
DRAWING IS NOT TO SCALE



1 inch = 400 feet

PROJECT NO.
1453

DATE
12/12/2012

SHEET NO.
2 / 8

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-_____

Amend hunting, trapping and firearms section of Parks Ordinance

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY DOES
HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 8.06(1) of the Parks Ordinance is amended as follows:

SECTION 8.06. HUNTING, TRAPPING, FIREARMS, FIREWORKS, FIRES AND RUBBISH. (1) ~~No person, other than a law enforcement officer, shall carry, fire or discharge any gun, pistol or firearm within any park or from any recreation trail without a written Parks Department permit therefore in his or her possession. The word "gun" shall include pellet gun and air gun. No person shall carry or discharge a bow and arrow within any park or from any recreation trail without a written Parks Department permit therefore in his or her possession. No person may take, catch, kill, hunt, trap, disturb or pursue any wild animal or bird, discharge any firearm, or have in his or her possession or under his or her control any firearm or air gun as defined in s. 932.22, Wis. Stats., unless it is unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case, or any bow, slingshot or spring-loaded device designed for shooting a projectile unless the same is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case while in any park except in connection with a hunting activity or event where specifically allowed by written permit issued by the parks director or designee, and then only in strict conformity with the conditions stated in the written permit. The prohibition of possession of a firearm shall not apply to a licensee as defined by s. 175.60(1)(d), or (g). Wis. Stats. No person shall discharge any fireworks of any description in a park without a written permit authorized by the Parks Committee and any other authority required by law. The Parks Committee may establish conditions for issuance of the permit, including reasonable security for costs which may result due to such use. [am. 03/08/11, Ord. 2010-30]~~

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective after passage and publication as provided by law.

AYES _____

NOES _____

ABSTAIN _____

ABSENT _____

Date of County Board Meeting

Requested by
Human Resources Committee

Philip C. Ristow: 12-03-12