RESOLUTION #62-2012

Resolution offered by Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee.

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

WHEREAS, Oneida County has lands enrolled as County Forest pursuant to s. 28.11 of the Wisconsin statutes, and;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors on April. 17, 2006 adopted resolution #38-2006 approving the Oneida County Forest Comprehensive land Use Plan for a period of 15 years, and;

WHEREAS, the County Board has the authority to acquire properties for the purpose of establishing County Forest land pursuant to ss. 28.10, Wis. Stats and as outlined in Chapter 400 of the Oneida County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan.; and

WHEREAS, acquisition of said properties would perpetually provide forest products to our local economy, revenues to the County, outdoor recreation opportunities to the public, and improve property administration on the County Forest; and

WHEREAS, Oneida County is eligible to participate and make application to the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Land Acquisition Grant program for land acquisition consistent with said Plan; and

WHEREAS, grant funding may provide funding up to 50% of the acquisition price; and

WHEREAS, participation in the grant program requires a county to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry (as required by NR 51.963 Wis. Adm. Code) to define the criteria for participating in the grant program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors approves the MOA with the Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any potential County Forest land acquisitions eligible for Knowles-Nelson Land Acquisition Stewardship grant funding will be brought before the Oneida County Board for approval prior to making application;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND RESOLVED that the Forestry, Land and Recreation Committee is directed to forward the signed MOA to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Oneida County recognizes and acknowledges that if financial assistance is made available by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and the County accepts the financial assistance, the County will comply with State rules for the program and meet the financial obligations under the grant;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board will be notified if grant funding becomes available and then will consider authorization for the acquisition.

The County Board has the legal autho by the Corporation Counsel,				
Approved by the	this	day of _		, 2012.
Offered and passage moved by:			Supervisor	
			Supervisor	
			Supervisor	
			Supervisor	
Ayes			Supervisor	
Nays				
Absent				
Abstain				
Adopted				
by the County Board of Supervisors th	is c	day		, 2012.
Defeated				
Mary Bartelt, County Clerk		Ted Cushing, County Board Chair		