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AGENDA

April 4, 2017 2:00 P.M. Board of Commissioners of Public Lands 101 E. Wilson Street, 2nd Floor Madison, Wisconsin

Routine Business:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approve Minutes March 22, 2017 (Attachment)
- 3) Approve Loans (Attachment)

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Routine Business:

- 4) Future Agenda Items
- 5) Executive Secretary's Report
 - Investment Transaction Report (Attachment)
- 6) Adjourn

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BOARD MEETING APRIL 4, 2017

AGENDA ITEM 2 APPROVE MINUTES

Attached for approval are the minutes from the March 22, 2017, board meeting.

Board Meeting Minutes March 22, 2017

Present via teleconference were: Doug La Follette, Commissioner Matt Adamczyk, Commissioner Brad Schimel, Board Chair Jonathan Barry, Executive Secretary Tom German, Deputy Secretary Richard Sneider, Loan Analyst and Chief Investment Officer Vicki Halverson, Office Manager

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ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner La Follette called the meeting to order at 2:16 pm.

ITEM 2. APPROVE MINUTES - MARCH 8, 2017

MOTION: Commissioner La Follette moved to approve the minutes; Board Chair Schimel seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

VOTE: The motion passed 3-0.

ITEM 3. APPROVE LOANS

Executive Secretary Barry reported that the loans had been reviewed for proper public purpose.

| Municipality | | Municipal Type | Loan Type | Loan Amount |
|--------------|--|--|--------------------|----------------|
| 1. | Onalaska La Crosse County Application #: 02017156 Purpose: Improve buildings and purc police cars and aerial photography | City Rate: 3.00% Term: 5 years hase | General Obligation | \$242,355.00 |
| 2. | Slinger Washington County Application #: 02017160 Purpose: Purchase municipal vehicles | Village Rate: 3.00% Term: 5 years | General Obligation | \$300,000.00 |
| 3. | St. Croix St. Croix County Application #: 02017159 Purpose: Finance capital improvemen | County Rate: 3.00% Term: 5 years nts | General Obligation | \$4,900,000.00 |
| 4. | Winneconne Winnebago County Application #: 02017157 Purpose: Refinance BCPL loan #2019 | Village Rate: 4.00% Term: 16 years 4116 | General Obligation | \$472,834.28 |

| 5. | Winneconne | Village | General Obligation | \$507,500.00 |
|----|--|-------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Winnebago County | Rate: 3.50% | | |
| | Application #: 02017158 Term: 10 years | | | |
| | Purpose: Finance land acquisition | | | |
| | | TOTAL | | \$6,422,689.28 |

MOTION: Board Chair Schimel moved to approve the loans; Commissioner La Follette seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner La Follette asked Commissioner Adamczyk why he always voted no on motions approving loans to local communities. Commissioner Adamczyk replied that he would like to see the funds invested in other investment options.

VOTE: The motion passed 2-1. Commissioner La Follette and Board Chair Schimel voted aye; Commissioner Adamczyk voted no.

ITEM 4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ITEM 5. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Executive Secretary Barry reported that staff continues to identify and purchase bonds that enhance the portfolio. He also noted that approximately \$3 million had been added to the smoothing fund since the beginning of the year.

ITEM 6. ADJOURN

MOTION: Commissioner La Follette moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Adamczyk seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:24 p.m.

Jonathan B. Barry, Executive Secretary

These minutes have been prepared from a recording of the meeting. The summaries have not been transcribed verbatim. Link to audio recording: <u>ftp://doaftp1380.wi.gov/doadocs/BCPL/2017-03-22_BCPL-BoardMtgRecording.mp3</u>

BOARD MEETING APRIL 4, 2017

AGENDA ITEM 3 APPROVE LOANS

| Municipality | | Municipal Type | Loan Type | Loan Amount |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 1. | Leon Waushara County Application #: 02017161 Purpose: Finance dam repair | Town Rate: 3.50% Term: 7 years | General Obligation | \$300,000.00 |
| 2. | Pleasant Springs Dane County Application #: 02017162 Purpose: Finance road repairs | Town Rate: 3.00% Term: 1 year | General Obligation | \$200,000.00 |
| | | | \$500,000.00 | |

BOARD MEETING APRIL 4, 2017

AGENDA ITEM 5 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Attached for review is the following report:

• Investment Transaction Report – March 30, 2017





Douglas La Follette, *Secretary of State* Matt Adamczyk, *State Treasurer* Brad D. Schimel, *Attorney General*

Jonathan Barry, Executive Secretary

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Investment Transaction Report March 30, 2017

Bond Purchases

| | Credit Rating | Trade Date | Par Value | Price Paid | Coupon | Call Date | Yield to Call | Maturity Date | Yield to Maturity |
|----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|--------|--------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Issuer | | | | | | | | | , |
| FFCB | Aaa | 03/17 | \$5,000,000 | \$5,000,000 | 3.54% | 06/27/17 | 3.54% | 06/27/29 | 3.54% |
| Howards Grv SD | Aa3 | 03/20 | \$440,000 | \$437,369 | 3.70% | 04/01/26 | 3.78% | 04/01/33 | 3.75% |
| Howards Grv SD | Aa3 | 03/20 | \$455,000 | \$455,000 | 3.75% | 04/01/26 | 3.75% | 04/01/34 | 3.75% |
| Howards Grv SD | Aa3 | 03/20 | \$475,000 | \$475,000 | 3.80% | 04/01/26 | 3.80% | 04/01/35 | 3.80% |
| Howards Grv SD | Aa3 | 03/20 | \$490,000 | \$490,000 | 3.85% | 04/01/26 | 3.85% | 04/01/36 | 3.75% |
| FFCB | Aaa | 03/29 | <u>\$10,000,000</u> | \$9,999,000 | 3.60% | 06/30/17 | 3.64% | 03/30/32 | 3.60% |
| | | | \$16,860,000 | | | | | | |

Since the election in November 2016, BCPL has purchased \$215 million in bonds. Some of the purchased bonds were callable and have been since been redeemed, and some were purchased as short-term and higher-yielding substitutes for the State Investment Fund. However, the majority of these investments were made for long-term income generation as interest rates have increased significantly since reaching record lows in July 2016.

Bond Sales

Since the last report, staff has sold bonds with total par value of \$23.99 million and realized long-term capital gains of \$2.24 million from these sales. The profit on these transactions increased the average annual return earned during the investment holding period to 6.55%.

To date in 2017, BCPL has earned \$4.425 million in long-term capital gains from the sale of \$49.33 million (par value) in bonds. Because reinvestment opportunities have improved through channels including the loan program, bond purchases and equity ETFs, staff is increasingly able to take advantage of market opportunities to realize capital gains without introducing excessive pressure on future earnings.

As provided in the IPS, 25% of total gains will be distributed to Trust Fund beneficiaries with 75% retained in the CSF smoothing fund.

Current Holdings

Combined Trust Fund Bond Portfolios Current Holdings as of March 30, 2017

| Investment Ty | ре | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| State of Wisconsin Bonds | | \$177,385,994 |
| Wisconsin Municipal Bonds | \$225,805,398 | |
| Agency Bonds | | <u>\$126,172,977</u> |
| Total Bond Investments | (at cost) (at market value) | \$529,364,369 <u>\$540,210,666</u> |
| Unrealized Gains | | \$10,813,496 |