



Grand Prairie Friends Regular Board of Directors Meeting

April 25, 2022 5:30PM

Meeting to be held at United Way Office, Savoy, IL. Items listed under *Old Business* include tabled or pending action items and/or record of electronic votes and organizational business held on dates since last Board Meeting March 28, 2022, as listed.

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER & BOARD/ STAFF CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

**II. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: Live via Zoom; “Long-Term Stewardship Revenue Considerations”, Steve Barg, Executive Director, Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation
*GPF Strategic Plan 2021: FINANCES***

Goal: To ensure the financial viability, long-term sustainability and future growth of Grand Prairie Friends.

1: Create a plan to diversify funding streams to reduce the reliance on grants, establishing fee-for-service programs and enhanced individual and corporate donations.

III. MOTION for APPROVAL OF ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Minutes of Regular Meeting on March 28, 2022
2. Monthly Staff/ President Reports for April 25, 2022

Ad-Hoc Committee

Naming Policy: Leiter & Wilhite

Professional Development: Carlier & Leiter

Standing Committees

Nomination: Chair Grant; Liaison Needed

Volunteer: Chair D.Wilhite; Liaison Leiter

Finance: Chair E.Wilhite

Stewardship: Chair Peyton; Liaison Ellis

Blazing Star Society: Steinman/Milling

Land Acquisition: Chair Easter

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion: Chair Needed

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute opportunity/ person)

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. DISCUSSION

1. Board Member Reflection from Sarah Naperala Long Term Stewardship Presentation; April 12
2. Potential Ad-hoc Conservation Cemetery Exploratory Committee
3. Formal issuance; GPF Donation Parameters Letter from GPF Strategic Conservation Plan to potential Champaign County Prairie parcel.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion to approve March 2022 Treasurer’s reports.
2. Motion to purchase Prospect Cemetery Prairie Nature Preserve via quit claim deed from Patton Township (Ford County, IL) (PIN 11-14-17-353-002) in the amount of \$15,000.

IX. BOARD MEETING EVENTS *JULY 23 RETREAT*

May 23 WR

July 23

Sept 26

Nov 28

June 27

Aug 22

Oct 24

Dec 1

PUBLIC EVENTS

- Sun April 25: Burnett Ribbon-Cutting @ Burnett LWR @ 12pm
- Mon April 26: Board Meeting, United Way @ 5:30pm (contact Sarah for zoom option)
- Thurs April 28: Blazing Star Plant Pre-Sale Opens @ 8am
- Sat April 30: Spring Open House, Warbler Ridge @ 1-4pm
- Sun May 1: Online Plant Sale Opens Online @ 8am
- Sat May 7: Stewardship Saturday, Warbler Ridge @ 9-11am
- Sat May 14: GPF Board Member Tour of Prairie sites; Meet Farm & Fleet at 10am; bring lunch
- Sun May 21: Volunteer Social "Thank You", Warbler Ridge @ 11am-3pm
- **Mon May 23: Board Meeting, Warbler Ridge @ 5:30pm**
- Sat June 4: Stewardship Saturday, Warbler Ridge @ 9-11am
- Sat June 25: GPF Board, Staff Tour of Parklands Land Trust w/ Board/ Staff; Daytime, TBD
- Mon June 27: Board Meeting, United Way @ 5:30pm
- Sat Sept 24: Fall Fete, Warbler Ridge
- Fri Oct 14: Fall Member Meeting, Zoom

VOLUNTEERING

Now- May 19: Plant Sale: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a44a9ad2dabfc1-2022>

(Summer) Bat Monitoring: Contact Diane dianeed@sbcglobal.net

(All Year) Stewardship Saturdays: First Saturday of Each Month @ Warbler Ridge @ 9-11am

X. ADJOURN

MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, March 28, 2022

Grand Prairie Friends

Electronic meeting

Submitted by Valerie Sivicek

Attendees: Dave Easter, Ed Wilhite, Fred Delcomyn, Pam Leiter, Valerie Sivicek, Craig Milling, Mark Sheldon, Collin Carlier

Staff: Sarah Livesay (Executive Director), Nancy Mickenbecker (Bookkeeper)

Guests: Beverly Foote

Quorum? Yes

Call to Order: 5:35 pm

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

The reports of the President; Staff; GPF Properties Research Coordinator; Ad-Hoc Naming Policy and Professional Development Committees; Strategic Plan Committee; Nomination Committee; Volunteer Committee; Stewardship Committee; Land Acquisition Committee; Blazing Star Society Committee; Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity Committee; and Finance Committee, as well as the minutes of the last board meeting (02/28/22), were submitted separately as a consent agenda item. Ed moved to accept the reports as submitted. Collin seconded. MOTION APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. The Board discussed the proposed long-term stewardship calculator developed by the Land Acquisition Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fred moved to approve the February 2022 Treasurer's Reports. Pam seconded. MOTION APPROVED.
2. Ed moved to create a board-designated account for legal defense. Mark seconded. MOTION APPROVED.
3. Ed moved to transfer funds from GPF unrestricted monies to the newly-established board-designated account for legal defense in the amount of \$43,150. No separate account will be created; the fund will be held within existing accounts. Collin seconded. MOTION APPROVED.

4. Pam moved to accept the Herrin Endowment, a donor-restricted fund for equipment and maintenance. Fred seconded. MOTION APPROVED.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Collin presented Land Trust Alliance Standards and Practices Standard 1: Ethics, Mission and Community Engagement

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS/MEETINGS

GPF DATES (Dates with no description are Board meetings)

April 25

May 23

June 27

July 23: Board retreat

Aug 22

Sept 26

Oct 24

Nov 28

Dec 19

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

III. APRIL 2022 STAFF/PRESIDENT/COMMITTEE REPORTS

President's Report: Dave Easter

- Open house planning presentation via Zoom
- Attended Blazing Star event at WRCA
- Attended Spring membership meeting
- Attended Accreditation planning meeting with Sarah N and board
- Plants delivery for plant sale
- Transplanting events throughout the week
- Planning to attend Burnett ribbon cutting event

Executive Director Report: Sarah Livesay

We are excited to announce the hiring of our new full-time Administrative Projects Manager, Sarah Mummel (soon-to-be Sarah Coulton). Sarah is currently the Recycling, Solid Waste/ GIS Mapping Coordinator for Coles County Regional Planning. She will slowly be closing that chapter and training on GPF items over the next few months. After her wedding in June, she will start full-time with GPF on July 7.

A Biological Sciences graduate from EIU, Sarah has spent five years at Coles County Government using her organizational and administrative skills, alongside her biological background to establish cooperative recycling protocol and mapping programs across multiple municipalities. We look forward to Sarah joining the team.

Sarah Livesay visited the new Lumpkin Family Foundation offices in Mattoon to discuss potential future cooperative projects.

Neighboring Fox Ridge State Park Superintendent, Duane Snow, met with Sarah to discuss the progress on the bike path construction which will originate at the Fox Ridge Hunter's Parking Lot (at Warbler Landing) and continue south to meet the main road of the State Park.

April brings the annual "Porta Potty Partner/ When Nature Calls" campaign. We are excited to have many months sponsored but are still needing a couple more if you are aware of a local business that may be interested. This will be the fourth year for this project which promotes local businesses for one entire calendar month with signage as the "sponsor" for \$100.

Sarah met with the Hutton Township Road Commission to inquire on pothole issues at Daileyville Rd.

All intern and part-time seasonal positions have been hired for the summer with students from Eastern IL University and UIUC.

Jill is preparing intern training materials, finalizing this month's installation of the Bluff bat pod with Ameren and keeping all things in-check at Warbler Ridge, fantastic.

Coles County partnering organizations, Urban Butterfly Initiative (UBI), Douglas-Hart Nature Foundation (DHNF) and Coles County Soil & Water Conservation District have entered into a reciprocal advertisement agreement to support, encourage and advertise our programming.

This specifically came to light in a way for UBI to advertise each organization's native plant sales, while each org will reciprocate to promote the annual Butterfly Blitz.

Diane and the volunteer team are working long hours in preparation for both the Spring Open House (April 30) and the plant sale, truly amazing.-

I will be meeting with parking area contractor for feasibility and pricing on Tuesday, April 26. The parking area will be an application for the IL Clean Energy Amenity grant later this year.

Land Acquisition

Per Discussion item herein, Sarah N & Sarah L have discussed the timing of donor letter to the family establishing GPF protocol.

Natural Areas Manager Report: Jeff Peyton

Board of Directors,

The growing season is ramping up now and so are our projects! A short but successful spring burn season is over and we are deep into our garlic mustard work for this year. Our summer interns are hired and due to start in May, and we have hired Alissa Bell as a part-time seasonal to help us stay on track with our Natural Areas Stewardship Grant goals, while other projects continue on schedule (or slightly delayed by weather in some cases).

At the time of the March board meeting last month, the natural areas crew was in the process of mopping up our largest burn in GPF history, a 335-acre unit at Warbler Ridge. Despite some initial uncertainty that we'd have a sufficient crew, we had a good last-minute response from volunteers and managed to pull it off. This takes a good chunk out of the acreage we've committed to burning as part of the NASA Grant. We also burned Bonnie's Prairie this spring for the first time in several years.

With coordination by Diane Wilhite and Jill Maes, our volunteers have been hard at work on our garlic mustard target areas for the NASA project, and have made rapid and impressive progress, already covering several hundred acres and putting us ahead of schedule for this Spring's garlic mustard plan.

Volunteers also planted 1000 trees this month in Warbler Bottoms North to replace trees lost to deer browse. We had a very impressive turnout for the workday and planted all 1000 in less than two hours. In addition to several regulars, among the volunteers were a sizeable group of Scouts, and several students from the Red Bison group at University of Illinois. On the subject of tree plantings, our Burnett planting by EcoLogic continues in fits and starts due to unfavorable weather, but most of the trees have now been planted and the site should soon be ready for work to begin on the deer fence.

APRIL 2022 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Naming Policy: Leiter and Wilhite

No report submitted.

Professional Development: Carlier & Leiter

No reported submitted.

Strategic Plan 2021: Sarah & Craig

Sarah & Craig met on March 31 to assess progress within the strategic plan work plan timeline. To date, we are on-time or in advance of multiple benchmarks regarding board membership recruitment updates; professional development; revenue research, etc. All items are on target for policy review with accreditation steps. We are behind on the beginning of a multi-tiered communication, marketing, fundraising plan. Once Sarah M begins, we hope to be back on track with this.

Stewardship Committee: Jeff Peyton

Nothing to report.

Nomination Committee Report: Marissa Grant

Hoping to get more board applications from current board members

Currently we have 2 potential board members who have applications. Hannah Darcy—from the Champaign Urbana area, lead a blazing star talk and Tom White—from Charleston is a neighbor to Warbler and works at Consolidated Communications.

If there is anyone you would like me to contact who is a potential board member please let me know. :>)

Finance Committee Report: Easter, Delcomyn, Wilhite, Livesay and Marsha Russell

No report submitted.

Land Acquisition Committee: Dave Easter

No report submitted.

Volunteer Committee: Diane Wilhite

- Started Garlic Mustard Season with a group hunt on 4/2 with 14 people followed by individual hunting by our most committed 8 volunteers. Four sections were identified with owners for each section and hunters report in when they complete a portion of a section. We are nearing completion with little garlic mustard found besides the areas expected. Jill has set up garlic mustard stations providing updated maps and supplies for individual hunting. Hunters also pulling lots of honeysuckle along the way.

- Planted 1000 bare root trees in Warbler Bottoms on 4/9. Boy and cub scouts with fathers (24) participated along with 11 skilled University of Illinois students in the Red Bison club. We also had 8 local volunteers. All trees planted in under 2 hours. Jeff and Jill did a great job preparing for this endeavor.
- Work continues on the Open House at Warbler Ridge on April 30.
- Transplanting sessions starting this week (April 18-April 23) for the annual native plant sale. Also digging up donated plants from various members. The plants from Cardno are much larger than last year and the greenhouse at Country Arbors is more stable so we're optimistic it will be a great sale. We already have pre-orders over \$5000
- Burn of 350 acres of Warbler Ridge Conservation Area by 15 (8-9 hrs) volunteers under Jeff's leadership.
- May Activities:
 - May 7 – Stewardship Saturday
 - May 21 – Volunteer Social at Shack

Blazing Star Society Committee: Sarah Livesay

This month Sarah set aside two days to meet via phone or home visit (delivered annual report magazine) with over 20 existing or potential blazing star families. Valuable feedback and conversation ensued on how to advance and provide opportunities for members. The Frog & Friends Blazing Star program was successful with 15 participants. All Blazing members received a mailed letter invite and multiple email invites to the Burnett ribbon cutting on April 24. Members have also received their pre-sale code to pre-purchase for the native plant sale.

I encourage all Board Members to consider your prospective Blazing Star candidates. No new families have joined this month, but renewals have been received. Membership Families: 62

GPF Properties Research Coordinator: Eric Janssen

2022 Total Projects Permitted: 5 (+2)

Projects by General Research Topic:

1. Soil texture and nutrient analysis in relation to *Silphium integrifolium* (Diane Byers, Illinois State University)
2. Creating woodpecker habitat through treatment of undesirable trees (Claire Johnson, Illinois Natural History Survey)
3. Surveys of bird, plant, insect, and tick communities (Claire Johnson, Illinois Natural History Survey)
4. Avian ecology and behavior of grassland birds (Nicole Suckow, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)
5. Reproductive isolation and gene flow of Phlox (Anna Feller, Harvard University)

Site	# of Projects
Bonnie's Prairie	1
Loda	2 (+2)
Paxton	1 (+1)
Pellsville	1
Prospect	2 (+2)
Warbler- Ambraw Woods	1
Warbler- Bottoms	1
Warbler- Embarras Ridges	1
Warbler- Woods NP	1

General Research Topic	#
Bird	3 (+1)
Insect	1
Plants	2 (+1)
Soil	1
Researcher Institute	#
Harvard University	1 (+1)
Illinois Natural History Survey	2
Illinois State University	1
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	1 (+1)

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee: Pam Leiter

No report submitted.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute opportunity/person)

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. DISCUSSION

1. Board Member Reflection from Sarah Naperala Long Term Stewardship Presentation;

April 12; Board Members are encouraged to discuss thoughts on the presentation.

2. Potential Ad-hoc Conservation Cemetery Exploratory Committee

The Board is asked to consider the creation of an ad-hoc committee. Goal: Investigate a business plan, feasibility, costs and legal ramifications of creating an independent conservation cemetery organization, in association and partnership with the GPF land trust. This committee is not an indicator of future intention but an early research committee. Approximately eight persons from the legal, faith and environmental community in this area have been identified through their past communications or research to participate. Per bylaws, a GPF Board Member would serve as liaison between the Committee/ Board.

- 3. GPF Donation Parameters Letter from current GPF Strategic Conservation Plan (below, page 11-15).**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Motion to purchase Prospect Cemetery Prairie Nature Preserve via quit claim deed from Patton Township (Ford County, IL) (PIN 11-14-17-353-002) in the amount of \$15,000.**

On February 28, 2022 Grand Prairie Friends Board Members voted unanimously to offer a purchase agreement to Patton Township \$15,000 for a quit claim deed exchange on Prospect Cemetery Prairie Nature Preserve. On April 12, 2022, the Township Board voted unanimously by resolution to sell quit claim deed in the amount of \$15,000 to Grand Prairie Friends. At this time, the GPF Board must vote to officially purchase the property from Patton Township in order for closing to occur later this month.

Refer to previously provided "Prospect Prairie Cemetery Board Acquisition Packet" located on Board Resource Website, for all details.

- IX. Motion to approve March 2022 Treasurer's reports (below, page 16+).**

Appendix F

LAND DONATIONS

Donations of land may come to GPF for several reasons:

- Landowners may ask GPF to own and preserve their property (long-term preservation), in which case landowners are asked to contribute a land stewardship gift toward the perpetual care of the land.
- Landowners may donate their land to GPF for its monetary value (financial contribution).
- A public agency may ask GPF to accept a donation that will ultimately be transferred to the agency at a more opportune time.

All potential donations of property shall be scrutinized to ensure that the land meets acquisition criteria established in the document “Checklist for acquisition of land and of conservation easements” (Appendix M). This checklist as well as a “Checklist for Land Donations” form (Appendix N) shall accompany each project. The Land Donation Template Letter (Appendix G) will be sent to the landowner that clearly explains GPF’s role and interest. Potential land donors shall be informed in writing of the following:

- A. GPF does not provide legal or financial advice. Landowners need to obtain their own tax and legal advisors.
- B. In order to qualify for income tax deductions, the project must meet the requirements of Internal Revenue Code 170 and the accompanying Treasury Department regulations and/or any other federal or state requirements.
- C. The Internal Revenue Code requires appraisals for land or easement donations valued at more than \$5,000 to be prepared by a qualified appraiser and to be in accordance with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, and that appraisals must be conducted within 60 days of the recording of the land transfer or conservation easement.
- D. The donor shall pay for the required appraisal and any necessary survey unless GPF and the donor agree otherwise beforehand.
- E. GPF will require a copy of the completed appraisal, which may be requested to be provided by the donor.
- F. GPF makes no assurances as to whether a particular land or easement donation will be deductible or whether the donor’s appraisal is accurate.
- G. GPF will not knowingly participate in a project if it has significant concerns about the tax deduction and will sign IRS Form 8283 only when the entire form has been completed.

- H. GPF and/or the donor need to secure adequate funds for long term stewardship in which case landowners are asked to contribute a land stewardship gift toward the perpetual care of the land.
- I. Prior to the Board’s decision, all encumbering contracts on the land, including but not limited to, tenant farming and Conservation Reserve Programs contracts, shall be disclosed.

Prior to the Board’s decision to accept any potential donation, a survey will be required. An environmental assessment should be conducted, possibly a Phase I Environmental Assessment report in some circumstances. If warranted a Phase II Environmental Assessment might also be required.

Land donations for long-term preservation

Landowners may donate land to GPF in order to preserve its natural value. Clear understanding of the long terms goals and uses of the property is critically important to all parties. Prior to the donation, GPF shall inform the landowner of their intentions for the property and shall document any specific restrictions placed on the property by the landowner/donor. In cases where GPF decides to retain long-term ownership, staff will develop a management plan for the property that includes estimated costs. This plan will be finished no more than six months after the start date of the project. GPF will secure an adequate defense and management fund for each conservation property it accepts and sources of funding for the management will need to be identified prior to final consideration of the gift. It is in the interest of GPF that these management costs be considered when evaluating a land donation. Landowners are asked to contribute a land stewardship gift toward the perpetual care of the land.

Land donations as financial contributions

Landowners may donate land to GPF so that its value can be used to further the organization’s mission. In such cases, it may be appropriate to accept a parcel of land that does not possess sufficient natural or open space characteristics to warrant preservation. In these instances, it is important that the donor understand that the donated land may be sold or otherwise disposed of by GPF.

Land donations on behalf of public agencies

Circumstances also arise when landowners may wish to donate land to park districts, forest preserve districts and other governmental land preservation entities. Public agencies can often use such donations as a match for grants to accomplish other acquisitions or capital improvements. In cases when landowners are ready to donate, but the agency is not ready to accept the land, GPF can assist by accepting title to the property and holding it until the government entity is ready for it. The property is then transferred to the government entity.

In those instances where GPF accepts donated land on behalf of another organization or

governmental entity, it shall be the policy of GPF to recoup the costs of that transaction. It is important that the ultimate owner of the property be notified in advance that GPF will seek to recover costs incurred by it, plus a service fee, if any, in accepting and temporarily holding a property donation.

Costs to be recovered in transactions with public agencies:

- A. Staff costs
- B. Property taxes during holding period
- C. Insurance costs during holding period
- D. Environmental assessment, appraisal costs, or other studies
- E. Legal costs
- F. Title and closing costs
- G. Service fee, if any. The amount of the service fee to be collected shall be determined periodically by the Board of Directors. The service fee may be a percentage of the cost of the property, a flat fee, or other arrangement as determined by the Board. The service fee shall be retained by GPF and used to enhance the ability of GPF to carry out its mission.
- H. Cost of any restoration undertaken on the property.

Appendix G

LAND DONATION TEMPLATE

This is a template of a letter, to be individualized as necessary, to be sent to prospective donors of land to Grand Prairie Friends.

DATE _____

LANDOWNER: _____
(Donor)

Dear _____,

This letter confirms your wish to donate land to Grand Prairie Friends (GPF) to help them fulfill their mission to preserve, restore and protect vital natural areas in east-central Illinois. At this time, GPF wishes to accept such donation, subject to the terms and conditions noted herein.

PROPERTY

As Donor, you have offered the Property to which you currently hold legal title in

_____ County, Illinois, tax parcel number _____ (alternate parcel number _____) (the "Real Estate") which consists of approximately _____ acres of

_____ [fill in type of land – timber, cropland, etc.], and _____ ponds. Real Estate is further depicted on the attached map as Exhibit A (the Real Estate, together with all improvements thereon and appurtenant rights thereto, is referred to herein as the "Property").

GPF's ROLE AND INTEREST

At this time, Grand Prairie Friends intends to accept the Property for the purpose of:

_____ *long-term preservation*
_____ *financial contribution to be resold or managed as income*
_____ *to hold on behalf of a public agency*

However, please be aware that Grand Prairie Friends is not forever bound by this intention and may alter the purpose of the property due to organizational change or need.

GPF LAND DONATION COVENANTS

- A. GPF does not provide legal or financial advice. Landowners must obtain their own tax and legal advisors.
- B. In order to qualify for income tax deductions, the project must meet the

- requirements of Internal Revenue Code 170 and the accompanying Treasury Department regulations and/or any other federal or state requirements.
- C. The Internal Revenue Code requires appraisals for land or easement donations valued at more than \$5,000 to be prepared by a qualified appraiser and to be in accordance with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, and that appraisals must be conducted within 60 days of the recording of the land transfer or conservation easement.
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 - I. Prior to the GPF's Board's decision to accept a donation, all encumbering contracts on the land, including but not limited to, tenant farming and Conservation Reserve Programs contracts, shall be disclosed.

Prior to the Board's decision to accept any potential donation, a survey will be required. An environmental assessment should be conducted, possibly a Phase I Environmental Assessment report in some circumstances. If warranted a Phase II Environmental Assessment might also be required.

Thank you for your contribution towards the preservation of east-central Illinois natural areas.

Sincerely,

[Signature of ED]

Executive Director, Grand Prairie Friends Date

[Signature of President]

President, Grand Prairie Friends Date

March Checks

Checks

Amount mostly Paid by:

	Grant	GPF	
1251 South Central FS	137.72		Fuel oil for Wcrossing
1252 Country Mutual Insurance		858.66	Vehicle Insurance
1253 Illinois Central		450.00	Rent for Raxton RR Prairie
1254 Secretary of State		10.00	Filing Fee - Annual Report
1255 Jimmy John's	372.00		First Aid Training Day Food
1256 Vanguard		100.00	Move money to Stewardship Er
1257 VOID			
1258 Quality Elec. Contractors	2,400.00		Heater for Wcrossing
1259 Cardno		2,900.00	Deposit for Plant Sale seedlings
1260 Il Dept of Natural Resources		50.00	Jeff P Burn Certification

Paid On-line

Morgan Disposal		54.00	WR Trash Hauling
Casey's		363.72	Fuel
Visa	547.93	1,237.31	Appeal Printing/postage, Stew.

Paid via 1099 Payroll

Nancy Mickenbecker		1,565.50	Bookkeeping
Ben Simpson	104.00		Timber Stand Improv.
Totals	3,457.65	7,589.19	



Grand Prairie Friends
 Income Statement: Current Month v. Year
 for the period of 01/01/2022 to 03/31/2022

Account Number	Account Name	YTD Amount	Current Month
Income			
40000	Membership Dues	\$4,511.34	\$572.93
40075	Blazing Star Membership	\$14,578.74	\$529.58
40100	Appeal Campaigns	\$75.00	\$25.00
41140	Other Designated Donations	\$1,115.00	\$0.00
41310	General Donations	\$609.07	\$42.55
41330	In Honor Of / On Behalf Of	\$2,834.73	\$2,481.33
42020	Unrestricted Interest	\$375.71	\$121.21
50000	Technical Services	\$486.00	\$472.50
51000	Stewardship Income	\$111.00	\$0.00
52220	Rental Income (Warbler Crossing House)	\$975.00	\$325.00
50500	Admin Fees for Grants & Projects	\$6,123.42	\$177.45
52210	Plant Sale Income	\$83.50	\$83.50
56300	Grants	\$40,255.06	\$39,728.56
Total Income		\$72,133.57	\$44,559.61
Expense			
60150	Business Fees	\$35.19	\$10.00
60170	Contribution Trans. Fee	\$62.25	\$20.71
60200	Administrative Expenses	\$282.60	\$178.49
60220	Software Expenses	\$1,319.02	\$165.89
60300	Insurance (not vehicle)	\$2,647.00	\$0.00
60400	Copying/Printing	\$428.82	\$83.82
60500	Postage (not solicitation)	\$125.50	\$47.96
60600	Dues (other organizations)	\$2,220.00	\$0.00
60800	Administrative Supplies	\$47.05	\$0.00
60185	Admin Salaries / Hourly	\$1,217.82	\$14.60
60190	Executive Director Salaries	\$12,584.04	\$4,191.45
60210	Bookkeeper Pay	\$5,010.00	\$1,510.00
60232	Legal Fees	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
60250	Professional Development Expenses	\$788.56	\$30.48
62400	General Merchandise Expenses	\$375.00	\$0.00
71200	Vehicle Expenses	\$2,194.83	\$1,222.38
71000	Natural Areas Salaries	\$14,642.06	\$4,231.51
71300	Other Stewardship Pay & Expenses	\$562.45	\$554.00
71360	Stewardship Supplies	\$401.70	\$80.95
71370	Volunteer Expenses	\$35.98	\$35.98
76000	Property Maintenance Expenses	\$1,561.81	\$843.57
76750	Property Improvements (not Stewardship)	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
62100	RSM Expenses	\$632.00	\$0.00
62300	Plant Sale Expenses	\$4,782.74	\$2,900.00
62200	Fundraising Expenses	\$748.74	\$748.74
62275	Fundraising Events	\$319.84	\$0.00
72300	Signage	\$23.02	\$0.00
71560	LFF WBS & WB	\$77.97	\$0.00

Account Number	Account Name	YTD Amount	Current Month
71725	Warbler Bluff Frantz Restoration	\$345.24	\$73.26
71730	IDNR NAAF Staff Pay & Volunteers	\$1,485.00	\$958.50
71735	ICECF Capacity Building Land Trust	\$23.91	\$0.00
71750	NRCS Warbler Ridge EQIP Grant	\$1,096.07	\$0.00
71760	IDNR NASA Grant	\$4,828.54	\$1,951.96
71780	Apex 17.1 30-year Contract	\$58.83	\$0.00
71800	Hoopeston Mitigation Project 2022-24	\$497.99	\$497.99
72020	ICECF Burnett Restoration Contractors (\$10k)	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
72030	Brookfield Burnett Restoration	\$54,875.10	\$0.00
72035	VSN - Wilderness First Aid Expenses	\$22.00	\$22.00
Total Expense		\$131,258.67	\$22,774.24
Net Income (Loss)		\$-59,125.10	\$21,785.37

GPF Receivables

March 2022

INVOICE	PAYER	INVOICE #	AMOUNT
12/31/2021	State of Illinois (IDNR)	NASA-105	\$17,686.97
2/28/2022	State of Illinois (IDNR)	NASA-108	\$4,828.54
2/28/2022	Apex Renewable Energy	HOOPESTON ADMIN-109	\$5,684.46
2/28/2022	State of Illinois (IDNR)	NAAF-111	\$67.50
3/31/2022	Apex Renewable Energy	HOOPESTON MITIGATION-109	\$33,941.52
3/31/2022	State of Illinois (IDNR)	NAAF-12	\$958.50
		TOTAL DUE	\$63,167.49



Grand Prairie Friends
Balance Sheet
as of 03/31/2022

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Assets		
Accounts		
12210	Vanguard Funds	\$123,032.06
13000	US Bank CDs (was SF Bank)	\$44,446.78
13040	Prospect Bank Accounts	\$343,819.05
14000	GPF Properties	\$4,038,351.74
15010	GPF Checking	\$351,686.73
15450	Warbler Crossing Damage Deposit	\$-325.00
16100	Vehicles & Asset Equipment	\$16,066.00
16220	Land Improvements	\$295,137.54
19020	Accumulated Depreciation	\$-55,866.25
Total Accounts		\$5,156,348.65
Accounts Receivable		
18000	Receivables	\$63,167.49
Total Accounts Receivable		\$63,167.49
Total Assets		\$5,219,516.14
Liabilities		
Total Liabilities		\$0.00
Equity		
° Unrestricted Assets (Net)		
31000	Unrestricted Funds	\$369,810.04
33000	Real Estate Net Assets	\$4,038,351.74
33500	Other Net Assets	\$255,337.29
34450	Stewardship Staffing Unrestricted (5k)	\$4,887.55
Total ° Unrestricted Assets (Net)		\$4,668,386.62
° Board Designated Funds		
33700	Legal Defense Fund	\$43,150.00
Total ° Board Designated Funds		\$43,150.00
° Donor Restricted Funds		
34010	General Fund Endowment	\$74,282.17
34020	Stewardship Fund Endowment	\$43,455.58
34150	WR Stewardship Restricted	\$2,174.61
34200	Ambraw Woods Stewardship (BL)	\$7,676.58
34360	Hoopeston Mitigation Project	\$37,450.01
34460	Dolan Acquisition	\$529.84
34570	Warbler Crossing (Eads) Infrastructure (LFF)	\$4,937.78
34640	Warbler Bluff (Frantz) Restoration (California Ridge)	\$49,268.78
34660	Capacity Building Grant 2021-23 (ICECF)	\$10,208.09
34670	Prospect Prairie (Cargill)	\$20,000.00

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
34690	EQIP NRCS 2021-24 (IDNR)	\$-6,005.41
34700	NASA Equipment (IDNR)	\$-225.77
34710	NASA Staff (IDNR)	\$-3,835.64
34720	NASA Supplies (IDNR)	\$-328.17
34730	Loda Restricted Donations (Morgan)	\$1,000.00
34750	Apex 17.1 Mitigation (APEX)	\$-58.83
34760	Burnett Acquisition (Brookfield)	\$2,439.00
34780	Burnett Restoration (Brookfield)	\$195,032.90
34800	Prospect Prairie (Ford Ridge)	\$70,000.00
34810	Wilderness First Aid Project	\$-22.00
Total ° Donor Restricted Funds		<u>\$507,979.52</u>
Total Equity		<u>\$5,219,516.14</u>
Total Liabilities + Total Equity		<u><u>\$5,219,516.14</u></u>