

From: [Tex Carter](#)
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Cc: [Greenleaf, Kim](#)
Subject: West Klosterman Preserve Opportunity
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Commissioner Eggers,

As you know, the approval to move forward with the acquisition of the West Klosterman Preserve in partnership with WK Preservation Group is on the BCC meeting agenda for August 15. WKPG is sending each of the commissioners a note to once again ask for support for the project. Our note looks like this

Dear Commissioner ,

Over the past three years, the WK Preservation Group (WKPG) has been working in cooperation with Pinellas County Parks and Conservation Resources to acquire the property known as the West Klosterman Preserve from Pinellas County Schools and add it to the County's environmental preservation site at Mariner's Point. We hope we have done a good job of keeping you up to date and sometimes even engaged with our efforts.

As you know, WKPG envisions a partnership of private citizens working with Pinellas County to identify and preserve the small "slices of paradise" that remain in Pinellas County. The West Klosterman Preserve is our first opportunity to prove the benefits of that partnership. Over 1200 supporters and donors have joined us in support of saving the West Klosterman Preserve for the plants and animals that live there, and the people that benefit from environmental preservation, and we expect more as we continue to work together.

A resolution to approve the project and our partnership is on the agenda for the Board of County Commissioners meeting on August 15. This note is to ask you to confirm your support for the project and the partnership by approving the resolution. We will be sending similar notes to your colleagues in the County Commission.

After your approval, we are looking forward to working with County Administrator Burton and County staff to finalize terms of acquisition from Pinellas County Schools, and to finalize terms for WKPG's financial contribution to the project.

Again, Commissioner , this note is to ask for your support, and to say thank you in anticipation of your favorable vote for the resolution on August 15.

And we thank you for all you do and have done for the citizens of Pinellas County.

Sincere regards,
Tex Carter and the WK Preservation Group team

Commissioner Eggers, approval by the County Commissioners will be an important reinforcement for our organization as we try to raise the remaining funds required to close the acquisition. We will keep you apprised on our progress and keep you engaged as we approach real success.

Sincerely yours,
Tex

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Direction of Inquiry	Commissioner Dave Eggers - District 4
Subject	West Klosterman Preserve
Message	<p>Hello,</p> <p>My name is Janine Byrd and I live in Dunedin. I've lived in Pinellas county for over 40 years and I've seen so many changes, so much of our precious land has been developed.</p> <p>I'm asking you to lease vote to support the purchase of the land known as the West Klosterman Preserve to save this precious and rare gem from development and the destruction of precious natural habitat.</p> <p>Thank you, Janine Byrd 1861 Royal Oak Pl. E. Dunedin, FL 34698</p>
Your Name	janine byrd
Your Street Address	1861 royal oak pl e
City/Unincorporated County	dunedin
Zip Code	34698
Your Phone Number	727-430-7904
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Topic Resolution to fund WK Preserve

BCC Agenda Date 8-14-2023

Your Stand on the Issue Support

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I am writing in support of the funding of W K Preserve for \$1.5 Million. Adjacent to the 74 acre Mariner Point Reserve, this addition will create 88 acres of land forever preserved in its natural state here in very northern Pinellas County. This parcel has been vacant for at least 50 years, when it was part of a single owner homestead. The area has been fenced off since 1990 when it was purchased by the School Board for future school use. Changes in development patterns negated the need for a school at this location. Since 1990, It has been the unfettered home for gopher tortoises, birds and other wild life and native plants, acting as a part of the Mariner Point preserve. W K Preserve, Inc. has received countywide support for the preservation of this parcel. With the support of the Sierra Club, Audubon, Florida Native Plant Society and many other countywide groups as well as the Pinellas Community Foundation, over one-fourth of the total \$3 Million has already been raised. County support will greatly enhance the remaining fundraising efforts and ensure successful preservation of one of the few remaining natural landscapes in the county. Thank you for your assistance and your positive vote.

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Direction of Inquiry	Commissioner Dave Eggers - District 4
Subject	West Klosterman Preserve
Message	Dear Commissioner Eggers, I am writing to support the resolution for the County to contribute 1.5 million dollars to the purchase of the West Klosterman Preserve. The Preserve will be a much-needed addition to natural space in our county, and the money will be going to our schools. I am financially supporting the purchase of the land, and I hope the county does as well. Sincerely, Marilyn Ward
Your Name	Marilyn Ward
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City/Unincorporated County	Palm Harbor
Zip Code	34683
Your Phone Number	727-612-1713
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Commissioner Dave Eggers - District 4
Commissioner Chris Latvala - District 5
Commissioner Kathleen Peters - District 6 (2023 Vice-Chair)
Commissioner René Flowers - District 7

Subject WK Preserve

Message I am writing to ask for your support in providing the funds toward the purchase of the WK Preserve. The WK Preserve is something that can benefit us all in Pinellas county by providing more green space for humans, plants and animals.
Please support the efforts of the WK Preserve by voting to approve this funding.

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