Level 4 – Land Use Narrative: Why the land use change it is needed for the County.

Land Use Amendment Request for Banana Lake Park

This request is to change the existing land use of Residential Suburban (RS) to Recreation Open Space (ROS) on ±8.82 acres.

This property is a park that is owned by Polk County. Staff met with Parks and Natural Resources to agree on an appropriate land use for the park to take in front of the board. Recreation Open Space (ROS) is an appropriate land use for the site to reflect on the land use map.

This Lakeland Park, which sits on Banana Lake, has covered picnic shelters and it features a short, paved walking trail, a boat launch site and a fishing pier. ROS is a better land use for the park as the site is accessible to the public which are oriented towards providing recreational activities and services for County residents and visitors.