MINUTES OF THE FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING # 3-2010

- DATE: March 3, 2010
- TIME: 9:00 a.m.
- PLACE: Committee Room # 1, 2nd Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI
- PRESENT: Chair Petroskey; Committee Members Thompson; Baier. Forestry Staff: Bilogan; Fiene; Eckardt. Chuck Wickman (appointed for 3.3.2010 meeting).
- EXCUSED: Rudolph; Peters.
- OTHERS: Manny Oradei; Les Felbab; Bill Welsh; Bob England; Guy Hansen; Darryl Landeau (NCWRPC); Tom Rulseh; Jackie Cody.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—At 9:04 a.m. Chair Petroskey called the meeting to order, noting that it had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR'S DISCRETION—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Wickman, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 4, 2010 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING—It was moved by Petroskey, seconded by Baier, to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

ONEIDA COUNTY BIKING & WALKING TRAILS COUNCIL'S COUNTY-WIDE ROUTE & TRAIL PLAN—Tom Rulseh, Secretary of the OCBWTC, was in attendance to address the issue of the "blue line" trail not connecting to anywhere specific. West of Hwy. 47 this trail is used as a snowmobile route. Currently the trail is used as a dead end walking / hiking trail. Private landowners won't give permission to utilize their property for trail connections. Darryl Landeau stated that after the Forestry Committee approves the plan, it would progress to the Highway Committee for approval, before going on to the County Board. Funding for possible route development comes from towns (room tax); the WDOT; the WDNR; and private donations. Forestry Committee prefers the trails be developed for all user groups to enjoy. It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Petroskey, to direct the Forestry, Land, & Outdoor Recreation Committee to approve / adopt the OCBWTC County-Wide Route & Trail Plan update as amendment to existing Oneida County Outdoor Recreation Plan, pending revised wording in the plan, a copy of which had been attached hereto and made part of these minutes. Motion carried.

RESTITUTION FOR FIREWOOD THEFT—The estimated value of stolen firewood in the amount of \$13,741.74 was forwarded to the county's legal system for restitution.

FOREST MANAGEMENT & TIMBER SALES:

a) Year-to-Date Timber Stumpage Revenue Report—Fiene distributed the Year-to-Date 2010 Timber Stumpage Revenue Report, noting the amount of \$141,904.89 for February 2010, and year to date total of \$173,820.53.

b) Timber Sales for Disposition—The following timber sale contracts were acted upon in the following way, on a motion by Baier, seconded by Thompson:
Contract # 1480 held by Tom Hartwig Logging Inc. (% Dick Hartwig) was closed as satisfactorily completed, and to refund full cash deposit of \$5,447.30.
Contract # 1513 held by Wesley Bushor LLC was closed as satisfactorily completed, and to refund full cash deposit of \$9,808.39, pending road inspection. Motion carried.

2010 APHIS CONTRACT—The committee approved accepting the 2010 APHIS Contract, on a motion by Thompson, seconded by Baier. Motion carried.

PERCH LAKE PARK FISHING PIER DRAFT BID SPECIFICATIONS—It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Petroskey, to approve the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Design / Build Fishing Pier, with following items being included: 100% performance bond; 5% bid guarantee; deck board to be 2" x 6" (nominal); all lumber must be new; piles must be driven; the pier frame could be wood or steel. It was also noted a few minor changes to the timeline of events, table of contents, and other legal language would also need work. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS & BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS FOR PAYMENT, & LINE ITEM TRANSFERS (IF NECESSARY)—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Thompson, to approve the following vouchers and blanket purchase orders for payment: Wesley Bushor LLC \$9,808.39; Tom Hartwig Logging Inc (% Dick Hartwig) \$5,447.30; Northwest Petroleum (refund of bid bond) \$2,742.40; Carquest \$21.78; Ron Hallstrom Sports \$71.98; Mike's Rhinelander Glass \$60.00; Quinlan's Equipment \$44.98; Shoeder's \$267.46; Moore Wallace dba RR Donnelly (trail passes) \$669:09; Calhoun's Auto Repair \$550.11; Weyerhaeuser \$1,059.50; Little Rice ATV Club \$7,200.00; Oneida Co. ATV Assn. \$4,500.00; Oneida Co. Hwy. Commission \$719.34; Airgas \$21.09; Fastenal Co. \$26.20; Frontier \$42.00; Verizon Wireless \$73.75; Wisconsin Public Service \$593.74 + \$33.47. Motion carried. Line item transfers—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Thompson, to approve end of year 2009 line item transfers, a copy of which has been attached hereto and made part of these minutes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING(S)— Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Agenda items: Perch Lake Fishing Pier Bids; Snowmobile Bids; timber theft / restitution update (closed session?).

PUBLIC COMMENTS—Bilogan stated that he will not be available to attend the April 7, 2010 Forestry Committee meeting, but Assistant Forest Director, Paul Fiene, will be in attendance. (Bilogan's absence excused.)

ADJOURNMENT—With business completed, it was moved by Thompson, seconded by Baier, to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m. Motion Carried.

WILBUR PETROSKEY CHAIR CINDY ECKARDT RECORDING SECRETARY