MINUTES OF THE FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING <mark># 9-2009</mark>

DATE:	July 1, 2009
TIME:	9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	Committee Room # 1, 2 nd Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI
PRESENT:	Chair Petroskey; Committee Members Rudolph; Thompson; Baier. Forestry Staff: Bilogan; Fiene; Eckardt.
EXCUSED:	Peters.
OTHERS:	Manny Oradei; Les Felbab; Bill Welsh; Bob England; Guy Hansen; Bob Abel; Tom Wiensch; Ruth Sproul; Karen Fiocchi; Tom Handrick.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—At 9:00 a.m. Chair Petroskey called the meeting that had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law to order.

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 3, 2009 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING—It was moved by Baier, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2009 meeting. Motion carried.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A MOTION WILL BE MADE, SECONDED, AND A ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WISCONSIN STATUTES, SECTION 19.85(1)(e), DELIBERATING OR NEGOTIATING THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTING OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION; AND WISCONSIN STATUTES, SECTION 19.85(1)(g), CONFERRING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING STRATEGY TO BE ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY WITH RESPECT TO LITIGATION IN WHICH IT IS OR IS LIKELY TO BECOME INVOLVED. TOPIC: SNOWMOBILE BRIDGES LOCATED ON HEARTWOOD FORESTLAND FUND VI, L.P.—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to enter into Closed Session. Roll Call Vote: Rudolph aye; Thompson aye; Baier aye; Petroskey aye. Motion carried.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to return to Open Session. Roll Call Vote: Rudolph aye; Thompson aye; Baier aye; Petroskey aye. Motion carried.

FOREST MANAGEMENT & TIMBER SALES:

a) Year-to-Date Timber Stumpage Revenue Report—Fiene distributed the Year-to-Date 2009 Timber Stumpage Revenue Report, noting the amount of \$48,202.21 for June, and the Year-to-Date Amount of \$561,591.61.

b) Timber Sale(s) for Disposition—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to approve the following timber sales for disposition:

Contract # 1476 held by Homer Van Meter closed as satisfactorily completed and refund full cash deposit (\$1,262.62).

Contract # 1492 held by Wiitala Vozka Logging closed as satisfactorily completed and return full Letter of Credit Deposit (\$3,458.00). Motion carried.

PROPOSED LAND TRADE WITH BCPL, TOWNS OF LYNNE & LITTLE RICE— Fiene explained the proposed land trade with BCPL for some of their land holdings in the Towns of Woodboro, Enterprise, Lynne, and Little Rice, for Oneida County land holdings in the Town of Lynne. It was moved by Baier, seconded by Thompson, to inform the BCPL that Oneida County Forestry Committee is not interested in the proposed land trade at this time. Motion carried.

OPEN TOMAHAWK RIVER SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE BIDS—The five sealed bids that had been received were opened, read aloud, and recorded as follows: Colt Construction Services \$73,723.08 McMullen & Pitz Construction Co. \$80,570.00 United Construction Inc. \$83,116.00 Decker Lumber & Supply Inc. \$63,426.00 Janke General Contractors Inc. \$58,000.00 It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to award the Tomahawk River Snowmobile Bridge project to Janke General Contractors Inc. for their low bid of \$58,000.00 pending meeting of bid specifications; if bid specs are not met, then to go to the second low bidder. Motion carried.

PERCH LAKE PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

a) Vault Toilet Building Update—Bilogan stated that the hole for the vault toilet had been dug on June 30, 2009 and the project will hopefully by completed by August 5, 2009. Guy Hansen stated that RASTA would like to donate cedar for ceiling material in the toilet building and Guy Hansen had contacted Brian Shrock about this donation, who stated that he would deduct that amount from the contract amount.

b) Fishing Pier Update—Bilogan explained that since the fishing pier cost estimates had come in over budget, he was seeking other options, such as floating piers. Bilogan stated that the department has until June 2011 to finish the project.

PERCH LAKE SHELTER CLOSING HOUR REQUEST—Bilogan stated that a person had reserved Perch Lake Shelter for a wedding for October 3, and inquired about the closing hour. Bilogan stated that the current ordinance states sun up to sun down. Bilogan proposed revising the current ordinance to state 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the hours the park facilities would be officially open. BUCK LAKE ACCESS REQUEST—Karen Fiocchi, on behalf of the YMCA, was in attendance to request access for a YMCA Kayak Safety Class at Almon Park. The YMCA Kayak Safety Instructor requested permission to be able to drive a vehicle with a trailer with the kayaks directly down to the swimming beach, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Due to the fact that this is prime swimming beach hours, Bilogan felt that the Department should keep with the current policy this year. The Committee concurred with Bilogan in staying with the current policy for this year, and stated that perhaps some other access could be provided in future years.

VOUCHERS & BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS FOR PAYMENT, & LINE ITEM TRANSFERS (IF NECESSARY)—It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Rudolph, to approve vouchers and blanket purchase orders for payment as follows: Homer Van Meter \$1262.62; John Bilogan expense voucher \$162.25; Rent a Flash \$256.00; Super 8 \$762.30; Oneida Co. Hwy. \$1193.46 & \$1578.50; ParknPool \$1455.00; Northern Waste \$5000; Press Express \$10.80; Fastenal Co. \$42.45; DCI \$63.60; Lakeland Hardware \$245.17; Frontier \$42.00; Culligan \$78.75; Airgas \$21.08; Northwoods Media \$34.23; Oneida Co. Solid Waste \$140.30; Home Depot \$133.55; Wisconsin Public Service \$19.59 & \$177.56. Motion carried.

No line item transfers.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETING(S)— August 5, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Forestry Committee Meeting: Closed Session Update; Perch Lake Park Project Update; Perch Lake Park Fishing Pier Update; Ordinance Revision on Park Facility Hours.

Rudolph stated that he won't be able to attend the August 5, 2009 Forestry Committee meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—Ruth Sproul inquired if any of the BCPL proposed land trade properties entailed the proposed mining areas in Lynne and Little Rice. Fiene responded that it did not. Guy Hansen shared some mountain bicycling trail use nation wide statistics. RASTA mountain bicyclists were encouraged to clear the mountain bike trails. The Forestry Committee enjoyed Clark County and all of the diversified recreational trails during the WCFA Summer Tour.

ADJOURNMENT—With business completed, it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 a.m. Motion Carried.

WILBUR PETROSKEY CHAIR CINDY ECKARDT RECORDING SECRETARY