

## FORESTRY, LAND, & RECREATION COMMITTEE

**DATE:** December 14, 2016

**TIME:** 2:00 p.m. Committee Room 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

**PRESENT:** Vice-Chair Van Raalte; Committee Members: Mott, Pence, Zunker  
Sorensen was excused. Forestry Staff: Bilogan, Rady, Bradley.

**OTHERS:** Brian Desmond, Corp Counsel; Mary Bartelt, County Clerk

**Call Meeting To Order**— At 2:00 p.m. Vice-chair Van Raalte 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 Mott, seconded by Zunker to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. All aye. Motion carried.

### **BTG Pactual Snowmobile Trail Contract and 2017 Certificates of Insurance**

Bilogan explained that the contract/land use agreement is due for renewal. If a contract is not signed, it would shut down almost all the snowmobile trails on the western part of Oneida County.

Oneida County's liability insurance provider asked for four changes to the contract. The changes are scope of insurance and indemnification language, BTG responsible for repairs to the trails damaged from forestry processes, and to provide notice to Oneida County if property is sold.

Desmond explained that the indemnification language exceeds what our insurance would cover, particularly regarding damage caused to adjacent properties or parties. The committee is called today is to determine how to proceed, as the trails are scheduled to open very soon.

Bartelt reports that the insurance company, Aegis, suggested taking the contract for one year to allow time to renegotiate the points at issue. They can issue an additional certificate of insurance for one year.

Rady noted that the County deals with Steigerwaldt Land Services, who is the agent for BTG. They report they have received no response from BTG on this issue.

Mott moved to sign a one year contract. Zunker seconded. After discussion, Mott amended his motion to sign a three year contract, if necessary. All aye, amendment to motion carried. Vote for motion as amended. All aye, motion as amended carried.

### **Future Agenda Items**

Possibility of an insurance rider for future contracts.

### **Public Comments - None**

**Adjournment**—With business completed, it was moved by Pence, seconded by Zunker to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

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JACK SORENSEN  
CHAIR

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JILL BRADLEY  
RECORDING SECRETARY