

## **FORESTRY, LAND, & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** May 2, 2018

**TIME:** 3:30 p.m. Committee Room 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

**PRESENT:** Chair Sorensen; Committee Members: Mott, Van Raalte, Almekinder  
Pence was excused.  
Forestry Staff: Bilogan, Fiene, Bradley.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**— At 3:30 p.m. Chair Sorensen 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 Van Raalte seconded by Mott to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. All aye. Motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**— It was moved by Van Raalte seconded by Mott to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2018 FLR Committee meetings. All aye. Motion carried.

Robert Almekinder was introduced as the committee member who replaces Lisa Zunker. Round table introductions were made.

**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR.** Mott moved to nominate Van Raalte for Vice-Chair. Almekinder seconded. No other nominations. Mott moved to close nominations and elect Van Raalte. Almekinder seconded. All aye, motion carried.

### **FOREST MANAGEMENT:**

- a) **YEAR-TO-DATE TIMBER STUMPAGE REVENUE REPORT**—  
Fiene reported that the YTD stumpage revenue was \$ 626,982. Spring break up has halted timber hauling for the present.
- b) Fiene presented a list of the high bidders on the spring timber sale. There were 93 bids. Four tracts had no bids and will be reoffered. Van Raalte moved to approve the bids, Almekinder seconded. All aye, motion carried.

RASTA Request for camping at the Rock n Root event at Perch Lake. This requires an agreement to suspend ordinances related to camping. Bilogan explained the history of similar requests. In the past, the residents in the area felt it was disruptive with noise and the cars parked along the shoulder of County Park Road. Both the town and the residents were sent copies of the agenda. The Town of Woodboro prefers not to permit camping, and none of the residents responded. After discussion, Mott moved to allow the camping with the conditions that there is only parking on one side of the county road and that the park ranger checks to be sure it is quiet after 10. Van Raalte seconded. Bilogan provided copies of the agreement to RASTA. Van Raalte recommended that RASTA contact the residents to let them know about the event. All aye, motion carried.

Bilogan presented the County Forest acreage withdrawal application & associated resolution to rectify the encroachment/access issue located in the Town of Cassian (NESE, Sec. 36, T37N-R7E). Because a permanent easement cannot be issued on County Forest land, the

.21 acres will be withdrawn and sold to Mr. Backes, so his garage is entirely on his own land. Appraisal was \$4000, so total cost to be reimbursed is \$8690. Mr. Backes has already paid \$4000 to cover the cost of survey and admin fee. Mott moved to approve the resolution and pass to the County Board as a consent agenda item. Almekinder seconded. Mr. Backes explained that the property lines were drawn more than 50 years ago, and he does not contest the County's decision. All aye, motion carried. Sorensen stated it will go to the County Board in May.

Contract to rebuild Burrows Lake ATV Bridges located in the Town of Little Rice (SENE, Sec. 10, T36N-R5E). No action taken, info only, as Pitz has not returned the signed contract.

Procedure for awarding employee performance bonuses – a copy of the written procedure was prepared by Lisa Charbarneau, as she had scheduling conflicts and cannot attend the Forestry Committee meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS— none**

**VOUCHERS**

Vouchers which totaled \$36,721.40 were presented to the committee. Van Raalte moved to approve payment, Mott seconded. All aye, motion carried

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Contract for rebuilding the Burrows Lake ATV Bridges  
Knowles-Nelson Grant update  
RASTA Agreement for Camping

**ADJOURNMENT**—With business completed, it was moved by Mott seconded by Van Raalte to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

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JACK SORENSEN  
CHAIR

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JILL BRADLEY  
RECORDING SECRETARY