



MINUTES

FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 5th, 2008

10:00 a.m.

Amberg Forestry Shop

W7895 US Hwy 141

Amberg, WI 54102

Members Present: Supervisors William Walker, Russ Bousley, Ken Mattison, Allen Mans, and Laurence Nichols

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Others Present: County Forest and Parks Administrator John Scott, Assistant Forest Administrator Pete Villas, Assistant Parks Administrator Erik Aleson, DNR Joe Schwantes, Aaron McCullough and Dave Halfmann, Forestry Secretary Lynn Swiatnicki and Peshtigo Times

1. Reconvene

Meeting reconvened at 10:27 a.m. after the Parks Meeting.

2. Agenda

MOTION (Mans/Mattison) to approve the agenda. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

3. Minutes

MOTION (Mattison/Bousley) to approve the minutes of May 15th, 2008. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

4. Discuss/Consider request from Eric Zoellner for access permit, T30N, R22E, NWSE S34 and T29N, R22E, NENW S3

Administrator Scott stated Mr. Zoellner provided county logging access through his property in the past and access may be needed in future. **MOTION** (Walker/Bousley) to approve access permit over existing trails T30N, R22E, NWSE S34 and T29N, R22E, NENW S3 for Eric Zoellner with waiver of access permit fee. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

5. Discuss/Consider timber sale contract extensions

John Scott presented timber sale contract extension requests. **MOTION** (Bousley/Mans) to approve timber sale contract extension requests for contracts signed in 2006 with a 0% increase. Motion Failed 2-3, Supervisors Mattison, Mans and Walker opposed. **MOTION** (Mattison/Mans) to approve timber sale contract extension requests for contracts signed in 2006 for one-year with a 5% increase and to approve timber sale contract extension requests for contracts signed in 2005 for one-year with a 0% increase to include a performance bond value increase to 50% of the bid value and approval of wood storage amendments. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote. Copy of the list of contract extensions and amendments is attached to these minutes.

6. Correspondence

Bill Walker distributed pamphlet from Wisconsin Forest History Association.

7. Report on Forestry Division Activities field accomplishments of Forestry Crew & Foresters

Pete Villas presented the Forestry Division Office May 2008 Activity Report. Distributed report attached.

8. DNR Forestry Liaison Officer Report on DNR activities on County Forest Land

Joe Schwantes reported county forest time standard hours are currently at 3,138 of the 3,159 budgeted. No environmental assessment was required for .02 Acre Schonfeld Road County Forest Land Withdrawal. Sustainable Forestry Initiative is looking into post timber sale treatment and implementation of a wildlife habitat retention elements requirement. Aaron McCullough spoke regarding Dunbar Barrens, North Sharptail Area and Shrine Road wildlife habitat openings.

9. Monthly invoices

MOTION (Mattison/Nichols) to approve the Schedule of Vouchers. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

10. Distribute Monthly Revenue Report

Revenue for the month of May totaled \$177,244.15. Revenue is \$240,431.58 more than 2007 revenue at this time. Distributed report attached.

11. Schedule next meeting date

The next meeting date is scheduled for Friday, July 11th, at 9:00 a.m.

12. Tour Precision Lumber property (sold September 2007 land sale), Hwy 141 ATV trail, view logging operation T37N, R17E, S25 (timber sale contract #3357), wildlife openings project T37N, R17E, S13

Tour was taken of wildlife openings project, Precision Lumber Property and Hwy 141 ATV trail.

13. Adjourn

MOTION (Mattison/Mans) to adjourn at 3:30 p.m. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

Lynn Swiatnicki
Administrative Secretary Forestry