



## MINUTES

### FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008

8:30 a.m.

Marinette County Courthouse

1926 Hall Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room C314

Marinette, WI 54143

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

**Members Excused:** Allen Mans

**Members Absent:** Allen Mans

**Others Present:** County Forest and Parks Administrator John Scott, Assistant Forest Administrator Pete Villas, DNR Joe Schwantes, Forestry Secretary Lynn Swiatnicki and Peshtigo Times

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

#### 2. Agenda

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

#### 3. Minutes

**MOTION** (Nichols/Bousley) to approve the minutes of September 11, 2008. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

#### 4. Discuss/consider Timber Sale Bids and Award Contracts

John Scott presented summary of bids for Fall 2008 Timber Sale. The county received 296 qualified bids with a Value of Sales Sold \$1,390,269.04. **MOTION** (Mattison/Nichols) to award timber sale contracts to the high qualified bidders allowing for logger preferences. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

#### 5. Discuss/consider Hilbert Lake private land donation to county

Administrator Scott stated private land donation would benefit county by preserving wetlands and also may be used as in kind matching for state grant regarding parks project. **MOTION** (Nichols/Mattison) to accept donation of Hilbert Lake parcel #012-01103.000 from Donald Omachel. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

**6. Discuss/consider easement request SWNW Section 31, T34N, R18E**

John Scott stated corporation counsel recommended to deny easement request since party already has access to parcel and granting easement could cause problems for county in future. **MOTION** (Bousley/Mattison) to deny easement request by John Vesely over SWNW S31, T34N, R18E. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

**7. Correspondence**

Administrator noted his appointment to subcommittee of WCFA legislative committee formed to discuss dues structure. Subcommittee will be meeting next week in Tomahawk. Committee Chair Walker noted letter from American Transmission Company regarding their 10-year transmission system assessment along with vegetation management practices.

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

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

**9. DNR Forestry Liaison Officer Report on DNR activities on County Forest Land**

Joe Schwantes reported on fall timber sale. County forest time standard hours are at 970. Fall hardwood marking camp will take place in two weeks.

**10. Monthly invoices**

**MOTION** (Mattison/Nichols) to approve the Schedule of Vouchers. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote. **MOTION** (Bousley/Nichols) to approve payment of \$5,412.59 to Nelson Paint Company and forward to county board for approval. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

**11. Distribute Monthly Revenue Report**

Revenue for the month of September totaled \$280,967.53. Revenue is \$741,573.48 more than 2007 revenue at this time. Distributed report attached.

**12. Schedule next meeting date**

The next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

**13. Request authorization for staff and committee members to attend WCFA annual meeting**

**MOTION** (Mattison/Nichols) to authorize staff and committee members to attend WCFA annual meeting on November 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at Wausau. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

**14. Adjourn**

**MOTION** (Nichols/Bousley) to adjourn at 9:37 a.m. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

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Lynn Swiatnicki  
Administrative Secretary Forestry