

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOREST COUNTY

COMMITTEE: FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE – MRA SUB-COMMITTEE

PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2014

TIME CALLED TO ORDER: 5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: DON LEMASTER, BILL CHANEY, PAUL CLEEREMAN, LARRY SOMMER

WORVPI REPRESENTATIVES: JOHN SCHNORR, MELINDA OTTO, JACK MATUSZEWSKI

OTHERS PRESENT: DAVE ZIOLKOWSKI, CRAIG WILLIAMS, PAUL PAYANT, PAUL MILLAN, MARY TORGERSON, LIZ WOOD, DAVE CAMPBELL, BILL CONNORS, BOYD MONTE, MARK FERRIS, JASON HEADSON, LAURIE & STEVE BUNDA, LYNNE BLACK, JIM MURPHY, TOM TALLIER, TAMMY GREEN

MINUTES OF MEETING AS FOLLOWS:

Meeting called to order by Chairman LeMaster. Motion by Cleereman, seconded by Chaney to approve the agenda. All voting aye, motion carried. Motion by Chaney, seconded by Cleereman to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2014 meeting. All voting aye, motion carried.

Ziolkowski explained that there were several 15 Year Plan amendments to review that pertained to the MRA Park (titled MRA Park) and other amendments that are regular changes for forestry purposes (titled Standard). Ziolkowski stated that the MRA Park amendments should be discussed and commented on. Any revisions made after discussing the amendments would be made prior to the next Forestry meeting and would be reviewed and approved at that time.

Schnorr stated that he had been on vacation and did not have time to review any of the amendment changes so no comments were received from WORVPI. Schnorr was asked how many miles of roads they were planning on using for the park and he responded that the information is in the appraisal. Schnorr also stated that the starting point for vehicle use of the park

would be the existing road network, but in the future those roadways will not meet the experience or demand of WORVPI. Schnorr stated that “cross country travel is never a good idea, the USFS allowed it but then stopped it”. Williams stated that the DNR would need specific uses and numbers of vehicles and roads in order to pass the amendments. Schnorr was asked for a concept plan for the park and agreed that he would get the information to the Forestry Dept. by the end of the week (October 31, 2014). Schnorr also stated that he would provide feedback and comments on the amendment changes for the Forestry Committee at the same time. Williams stated that WORVPI needs to identify all the different activities/uses that will be allowed/prohibited on County forestland. Williams asked where are the profits from the MRA Park going? Payant said the concept of revenue distribution should come from WORVPI. The next step in the process will be to evaluate the information from WORVPI at the next Forestry meeting that will be held on November 17th. The next Forestry and Recreation MRA Sub-Committee will meet on December 9th at 5:00 p.m in the County Board Room of the Courthouse in Crandon. There being no further business at this time, motion by Chaney seconded by Cleereman to adjourn. All voting aye, meeting adjourned.