

## FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FORESTRY AND RECREATION  
DATE: MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021  
TIME: 4:30 P.M.  
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

### CALL TO ORDER.

Chairperson Chaney called the meeting to order at 4:31p.m. Motion by Stamper to approve the agenda as read, seconded by Campbell. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

### ROLL CALL.

Members Present: Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Gretzinger, Karl, Lukas, & Stamper.

Members Absent: Miller

Others Present: Travis Wollenberg, Anna Mancheski, Christie Schmidt, Steve Friberg-Coleman Engineering, Lynne Black, Dave Velie, Randy Werth, Chad Mullis, Tracey Mayer, Gary Mueller, Brian Wilson, (Fred Heider and Sam Blake via Microsoft Teams).

### APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 31,2021 FORESTRY MEETING.

Motion by Karl to approve the March 31, 2021 Forestry meeting minutes, seconded by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON FOREST COUNTY OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN. Fred updated the committee on the survey responses. No action at this time.

### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON GATES AND ORDINANCE FOR ATV TRAIL.

Motion by Dehart to remove the gates on Nicolet and Wolf River State Trails upon approval from the DNR Trails Coordinator, seconded by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Dehart to submit an ordinance to cross over State Highway 55 North in Argonne, WI and an ordinance to cross over State Highway 32 in Hiles to county board for approval, seconded by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COUNTY PARK.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the county park plan with changes to grade and for Flannery to move forward as soon as it is approved by DNR, seconded by Dehart. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SIGNAGE FOR RECREATION AREA.

Motion by Stamper to approve replacing signage on recreational areas, seconded by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

#### Update on Forestry Audit 2016-2019.

Forest Administrator informed the committee that there was discrepancy between the timber sale volumes/values received by Forest County and what was recorded to DNR. The Department Liaison for DNR will take a greater role in validating timber sale finals, prior to close out. The county is paying over the statutory requirements of 10% severance to townships by an 28-29% annually. The DNR will be auditing Forest County in 2022 for a fiscal review of all timber sales in 2020-2021 and possible sales from 2019.

#### Update on Timber Sales.

The Forest Administrator advised the committee that eleven (11) sales are active. Two currently with extensions, and two new sales starting within the next few weeks. One sale is currently being reviewed by Forest Administrator and DNR.

#### Update on Grants and Projects.

The Forest Administrator informed the committee that grants were applied for the Mill Pond, Little Popple River North and Little Popple River Center, ATV Trail from Mays Bar to Oneida County line, 2 Recreation Trail Grants for Hemlock Lake and Otter Springs Recreation Areas, the Snowmobile and ATV Grants for the 2021-2022 Season.

Tractor was sold for \$13,300 and Truck was sold for \$1,225.00.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND MEETING DATE TENTATIVELY SET FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021 AT 4:30PM.

- County Park
- Outdoor Recreation Plan
- Grants Update
- Ongoing projects

There being no further business, motion by Karl to adjourn, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the next scheduled Forestry and Recreation meeting