FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE:FORESTRY AND RECREATIONDATE:WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022TIME:4:30 P.M.PLACE:FOREST COUNTY BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER.

Chairperson Chaney called the meeting to order at 4:30p.m

ROLL CALL.

Members Present: Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Karl, Tallier & Lukas.

Members Absent: Miller

Others Present: Travis Wollenberg, Jared Oemig, Sam Blake, Jeff Musson, Patrick Voigtman, Jason Headson, Cindy Gretzinger and Erin Lane.

APPROVE AGENDA. Motion by Karl to approve the agenda, second by Lukas. All Present voting AYE. Motion carried

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 16, 2022 FORESTRY AND RECREATION MEETING. Bill Anderson needs to be added to the attendance record for the May 16, 2022 meeting. Motion by Tallier to approve the May 16, 2022 Forestry and Recreation meeting minutes with the addition, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

ACTION ON AWARDING TIMBER SALE BIDS.

Discussion on policy if a bidder requests to have their bid pulled. Committee would allow a bid to be pulled as long as it was requested before the bids are awarded. One bidder did request to have their bid pulled. Motion by Dehart to award the 2022 Timber Sales to the following highest bidders, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

Tract 1-22 Deer Bed: Franks Logging \$56,815.00

Tract 2-22 Falkor: Northwest Hardwoods \$41,975.00

Tract 3-22 Rock Eater: Ken Mihalko and Sons Logging \$21,395.00

Tract 4-22 Hatchet: Franks Logging \$107,792.40

Tract 5-22 Miss Bradley: Franks Logging \$55,975.00

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DIRECT TIMBER SALE WITH LUMBERJACK MEMORIAL TRAILS.

A direct timber sale is not necessary to clear a few trees to widen the snowmobile trail, it is general maintenance for the trail.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COUNTY PARK MANAGER.

The current county park manager resigned and the job was reposted, with little response. The Park helper will have to pick up a few more hours. It was mentioned to post the job at Schaffer's to catch the attention of those who don't see the traditional postings.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RECUMBENT BIKE PURCHASE AND STORAGE BUILDING THROUGH DOT TRUST FUND WITH AGING DEPARTMENT.

Motion by Lukas to approve Jeff Musson to handle the engineering of the garage up to \$2500, second by Tallier, all present voting AYE. Jeff will be in contact with Travis for specs on the building.

DISCUSSION ON SECTION 9 LAND PURCHASE.

The land owner is still interested in selling. It was advised that the Committee members need to reach out to our State Representatives so the Knowles Nelson Stewardship funding application submitted by the Forest County Forestry will be reconsidered.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASEING NEW FLAG POLE AND GRILLS FOR COUNTY PARK.

Campbell made a motion to approve and send to finance, \$3000 for a new flag pole and 2 new grills at County Park, second by Karl. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF 8 MILE LOOP ATV TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS. Lukas made a motion to approve 3.29miles of additional trail opening, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

UPDATES ON ONGOING PROJECTS.

a. COUNTY PARK – just waiting for the inspection and WPS electric hook up, and the striping on the blacktop will be done this week.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SETTING NEXT MEETING DATE. Next meeting will be July 20, 2022 at 4:30pm

ADJOURNMENT 5:45PM Motion by Karl to adjourn, second by Campbell. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

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