

## **FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

COMMITTEE: FORESTRY AND RECREATION  
DATE: June 7, 2023  
TIME: 5:00 P.M.  
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

### **CALL TO ORDER.**

Chairperson Chaney called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m.

### **ROLL CALL.**

Members Present: Campbell, Chaney, Dehart, Karl, Lukas, Miller and Tallier.

Members Absent:

Others Present: Ron James, Sam Blake, Patrick Peters, Larry Schunk, Clint Miller, Jim Lemke, Travis Wollenberg and Erin Lane

### **APPROVE AGENDA.**

Motion by Lukas to approve the agenda, second by Dehart. All Present voting AYE. Motion carried

### **APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 15, 2023 FORESTRY AND RECREATION MEETING.**

Motion by Campbell to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2023 Forestry and Recreation meeting, second by Miller. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

### **DISCUSSION ON PELICAN RIVER CONSERVATION EASEMENT.**

Discussion from Ron James, Clint Miller(Conservation Fund), and Jim Lemke(DNR) on the Pelican River Easement. They presented information on the ATV/UTV and snowmobile use with the easement, vehicle use, how money is held and exchanged between the land owner and the Conservation Fund and answered questions from the committee. Motion by Lukas to move resolution in support of the easement to County Board, second by Miller. All present voting: Chaney AYE, Tallier AYE, Lukas AYE, Miller AYE, Dehart AYE, Karl No, Campbell AYE, motion carried 6 to 1. Resolution will be reviewed by Forestry Committee before presented to County Board.

### **DISCUSSION ON PFAS.**

Tallier would like to have the County Park tested for PFAS, it is a public source of water. He will have a member of the Wabeno Sanitary District administer the test and the Forestry and Recreation Department will just have to pay for the test itself. Further Discussion with possible approval will be brought back to the next meeting.

### **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPERTY LEASED WITH LMT.**

There will need to be a formal lease agreement for the property that LMT snowmobile club built their shop on, there was only a resolution and maintenance agreement in place. A lease was drawn up by Corporate Council. Motion by Lukas to send lease to County Board for approval, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

### **DISCUSSION/UPDATES ON THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:**

- a) ATV TRAILS AND BRIDGES: Hwy 8 Trail to County Line is now open.
- b) TIMBER SALES: nothing to update on
- c) COUNTY PARK: Old playground equipment is removed and new will be installed next week, Trees are planted, internet is hooked up, Tree Donation plaque is done

- and will be put up, entrance sign is now lit up at night.
- d) ARPA funds for county land purchase must be used by December 31, 2024

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS.

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SETTING NEXT MEETING DATE.

PFAS testing

Next Meeting will be July 12th at 5:00pm at the County Board Room, alternative date will be July 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:40

ADJOURNMENT 6:40PM

Motion by Dehart to adjourn, second by Karl. 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.*