

FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FORESTRY AND RECREATION
DATE: December 11, 2023
TIME: 4:30 P.M.
PLACE: County Board Room

CALL TO ORDER.

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

ROLL CALL.

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

Members Absent:

Others Present: Sam Blake, Chad McKee, Travis Wollenberg, Jared Oemig, 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 NOVEMBER 13, 2023 FORESTRY AND RECREATION MEETING.

Motion by Lukas to approve the minutes from the November 13, 2023 Forestry and Recreation meeting, second by Tallier. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

THE COMMITTEE WILL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION: WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85 (1)(F) "CONSIDERING FINANCIAL, MEDICAL, SOCIAL OR PERSONAL HISTORIES OR DISCIPLINARY DATA OF SPECIFIC PERSONS, PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION SPECIFIC PERSONNEL PROBLEMS OR THE INVESTIGATION OF CHARGES AGAINST SPECIFIC PERSONS EXCEPT WHERE PAR. (B) APPLIES WHICH, IF DISCUSSED IN PUBLIC, WOULD BE LIKELY TO HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL ADVERSE EFFECT UPON THE REPUTATION OF ANY PERSON REFERRED TO IN SUCH HISTORIES OR DATA, OR INVOLVED IN SUCH PROBLEMS OR INVESTIGATION." THIS CLOSED SESSION RELATES TO: CONTRACTOR TIMBER SALE EXTENSION.

Motion by Lukas to convene into closed session, second by Karl, All Present voting: Campbell (AYE), Chaney (AYE), Dehart (AYE), Karl (AYE), Lukas (AYE), Miller (AYE), Tallier (AYE). Motion Carried.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ACTION, IF APPROPRIATE, IN MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

Motion by Miller to reconvene into open session, second by Dehart. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller to approve the Timber Sale Extension for contract #512-21 at no penalty if the ground is not frozen to harvest or if the ground is frozen to harvest but not completed 10% penalty, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF RESOLUTION TO MOVE REMAINING TREE DONATION FUNDS TO RESERVE ACCOUNT.

Motion by Miller to approve resolution moving remaining tree donation funds into a reserve account for future use, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF RESOLUTION TO MOVE REMAINING PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT DONATION FUNDS TO RESERVE ACCOUNT.

Motion by Karl to approve resolution moving remaining Playground Equipment Donation funds into a reserve account for future use, second by Dehart. All Present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON UPDATES TO ATV TRAIL ORDINANCE.

Changes to Ordinance were presented. Public Hearing will be scheduled and then move to County Board.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SEASONAL SITE CONTRACT.

Contract was reviewed and would like to see something with contamination and charges for removal and damages, also change wording to take out Camp Host. Motion by Dehart to approve the Seasonal Site Contract with the changes, second by Miller. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- A. ATV TRAILS AND BRIDGES: Bridges done.
- B. TIMBER SALES: 1 recently closed out, 1 closing out early next year, 4 currently in progress.
- C. COUNTY PARK: Jared went to UWSP career day for next year's intern.
- D. LAND PURCHASE: Still looking for property to purchase. Tallier mentioned potential purchase of acres from the Pelican River Forest.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS.

Lukas mentioned a well on the east hill, that property is not under the Forestry and Recreation Department.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SETTING NEXT MEETING DATE.

Next Meeting will be January 15th at 4:30pm at the County Board Room. Motion by Karl to adjourn, second by Tallier. 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.