

FORESTRY AND RECREATION PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FORESTRY AND RECREATION
DATE: January 15, 2024
TIME: 4:30 P.M.
PLACE: County Board Room

CALL TO ORDER.

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

ROLL CALL.

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

Members Absent: Dehart

Others Present: Travis Wollenberg, and Erin Lane

APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

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

CONFIRM COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENTS

Notice was given to Forest Republican for 3 week posting and posted at Courthouse at designated locations.

INFORM THE PUBLIC OF HEARING PROCEDURES (TIME FOR EACH SPEAKER)

No one present and no letters were submitted

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Karl to open the public hearing, second by Miller. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

CHANGES TO ORDINANCE

Chairman Chaney reviewed the ordinance and proposed changes

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No one present and no letters were submitted.

COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN

none

FINAL QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE

None

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Tallier to close the public hearing, second by Campbell. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried

DELIBERATION AND DECISION, ANNOUNCE DECISION.

Trail Ordinance update will be brought to Forestry and Committee Meeting for approval

ADJOURN

Motion by Karl to adjourn, second by Miller. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

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FORESTRY AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FORESTRY AND RECREATION
DATE: January 15, 2024
TIME: 5:00 P.M.
PLACE: County Board Room

CALL TO ORDER.

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

ROLL CALL.

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

Members Absent: Dehart

Others Present: Tom Cleereman III, Travis Wollenberg, and Erin Lane

APPROVE AGENDA.

Motion by Lukas to approve the agenda and move the order of agenda items as needed, second by Karl. All Present voting AYE. Motion carried

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 11TH, 15TH AND 20TH 2023 FORESTRY AND RECREATION MEETING.

Motion by Lukas to approve the minutes from the December 11th, 15th and 20th, 2023 Forestry and Recreation meetings, second by Tallier. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ATV TRAIL MAINTENANCE RESOLUTION.

Motion by Karl to approve the ATV Trail maintenance resolution and send to County Board, second by Lukas. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SNOWMOBILE TRAIL MAINTENANCE RESOLUTION.

Motion by Lukas to approve the Snowmobile Trail Maintenance Resolution and send to County Board, second by Campbell. 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), Karl(AYE), Lukas(AYE), Miller(AYE), Tallier(AYE), Dehart(absent).
Motion Carried.

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

Motion by Karl to reconvene into open session, second by Campbell. All present voting AYE.
Motion carried.

Motion by Tallier to approve a 6 month Timber Sale Extension with the 10% penalty increase for
contract #507-20, second by Karl. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF UPDATED TRAIL ORDINANCE

Motion by Karl to approve the updated Trail Ordinance and to send to County Board, second by
Miller. All present voting AYE. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- A. ATV TRAILS AND BRIDGES: Grant funding will be applied for the bridge replacement on the Wolf River Trail and Forest Service bridge on Otter Creek. No update on the MOU with the State on the Wolf River Trail extension. Snowmobile trails are not open yet, they are ok but not in great condition and surrounding Counties are not ready to open yet. Report on trail citations and warnings was presented.
- B. TIMBER SALES: 2 finished, 1 active, 1 very slow pace, 480 acres of sales will be put out this spring
- C. COUNTY PARK: 5 applicants for the LTE position, Tallier would like to see the footer on the Forestry and Recreation letterhead changed promoting more County managed areas
- D. LAND PURCHASE: Still looking for property to purchase. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS.

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None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SETTING NEXT MEETING DATE.

Next Meeting will be February 12th, at 4:30pm at the County Board Room. Motion by Miller to adjourn, second by Tallier. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

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