

Attendance

Present - Chris Shafer, Mary Belland, Ron Skallerud, Bruce Decorah, Terry Lukas, Eugene Shawno, 2 From Mole Lake Economic Development

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
 - 1st - Chris Shafer 2nd - Ron Skallerud All in Favor - Yes
3. Approval of 2/27/2024 Meeting Minutes
 - 1st - Chris Shafer 2nd - Dick Popp All in Favor - Yes
4. Treasurer's Report
 - 1st - Ron Skallerud 2nd - Chris Shafer All in Favor - Yes
5. Director's report
 - a. CWED update - Chris to possibly sit on the executive board
 - b. Additional Meetings for Forest County - Forest Committee, old growth initiative - Good Neighborhood Committee & stewardship - 7 County ATV/Snowmobile Meeting, lots of positive growth.
 - i. Old Growth Initiative - once the new plan is out, Forest County only has 60 days to suggest adjustments. It is something we need to be ready for and keeping an eye on. - Ron
 - ii. Could we combine some of these committees that involve some of the same aspects concerning Forest County.
 - c. New Ordinance with Forest County for ATV trails - Took out the May 1st Date - this is progress for the rec department
 - d. April 9th - large tribal council meeting with clinical trial discussion - many in attendance including the University of Wisconsin. Many great things are happening in Mole Lake!
 - e. Continue to drive positive business leaders in Forest County.
 - f. Loans are consistent and some paid in full, new deals on the table.
 - g. Terry - Lake Metonga Association, County may cut some funding for the organization for invasive species, the association was not happy, property values could take a hit if the lake becomes overrun with invasive species.
 - h. Jason Neilitz has been invited to the White House to represent Mole Lake, Forest County.
6. Partner Reports
 - a. Eugene Shawno
 - i. Approval for ATV/UTV Trails in the Mole Lake Community
 1. Tribal reservations
 - a. Tribal cultural, historic preservation, invasive species, how do we mitigate these concerns- (wash stations - trailhead grant through DNR)

- ii. Positive vibes on getting the Trails done
 - 1. Singae to educate about the culture and educate people on proper care of the trails and invasive species.
 - 2. Youth could help make the signs for the trail
 - 3. Contact Mike Biese for opportunities for funding sources and involvement - Mike sits n the Governor's Council
 - 4. WIS DOT - Bike trail creation in Stone Lake (could be a source for funding, development and growth
 - 5. Ron - Nashville to change some ordinances to all Town Roads which should help connect Mole Lake with the current trails in Forest County from the other end.
- iii. Working with and becoming more involved in committees in the county.
 - 1. Broadband Committee, please come (Terry)
 - 2. Mole Lake is working with Bug Tussel
- iv. The Economic Development Department in Mole Lake is new as of 2024 and would like to make more connections in the community and with outside Economic Development groups and people.
- 7. Closed Session: The Committee may consider a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. stat 19.85(1)(e) "deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session."

- Discussion on Loan Funds

Motion to Enter into closed Session

1st - Ron Skallerud	2nd - Chris Shafer	Roll Call -
Bruce Decorah - yay	Dick Popp - yay	Terry Lukas - yay
Chris Shafer - yay	Ron Skallerud - yay	

- 8. Reconvene to open session to take action, if appropriate, on matters discussed in closed session

1st - Terry Lukas	2nd - Ron Skallerud	All in Favor - Yes
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Motion to approve a \$10,000 microloan for KV for new business in Forest County using the building as collateral

1st - Ron Skallerud	2nd - Dick Popp	All in Favor - Yes
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- 9. Any other business
N/A

10. Next Meeting - TBA

11. Adjourn 4:29PM

1st - Ron Skallerud	2nd - Chris Shafer	All in Favor - Yes
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