

FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING # 7—2011

DATE: June 1, 2011
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Committee Room # 1, 2nd Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI
PRESENT: Chair Baier; Committee Members Martinson; Rudolph; Berard;
Forestry Staff: Bilogan; Fiene; Eckardt.
EXCUSED: Thompson.
OTHERS: Manny Oradei; Les Felbab; Bill Welsh; Guy Hansen.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—At 9:02 a.m. Chair Baier called the meeting to order, noting that it had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

APPROVE CURRENT REVISED AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF REVISED AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR'S DISCRETION—It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the current revised agenda with the order of revised agenda items at Chair's discretion. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MAY 4, 2011 and MAY 12, 2011 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETINGS—It was moved by Berard, seconded by Martinson, to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2011 and May 12, 2011 Forestry Committee meetings. Motion carried.

FOREST MANAGEMENT:

- a) YEAR-TO-DATE TIMBER STUMPAGE REVENUE REPORT—Fiene reported that the May timber stumpage revenue was \$16,145.30 and the year-to-date timber stumpage revenue was \$455,101.79.
- b) TIMBER SALE FOR DISPOSITION—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to act on the following timber sale contract as follows:
Contract # 1491 held by Timberline Logging close as satisfactorily completed and return full Letter of Credit deposit (\$25,254.38), *pending road inspection. Motion carried.*

SNOWMOBILE TRAIL PROGRAM:

- a) Snowmobile Trail Land Use Agreements (LUA's)
 - 1) Town of Three Lakes—Section 23-T39N-R10E—Tom Wiensch, Oneida County Assistant Corporation Counsel, had written a letter to Steven Means with the State Department of Justice, requesting clarification on a few issues with the Gohlke matter, those clarification issues being: change in the form of payment (i.e. easements as partial payment to allow snowmobile and ski trails to be kept open); asking that some of the payment come in the form which would be of great value to the State and our communities; County not asking for debt forgiveness for the Gohlkes; provide County with statutory sections. It was the consensus of Committee and Assistant Corporation Counsel (Tom Wiensch) that there may still be a misunderstanding between the DOJ and the Counties requests, and that Oneida County should continue to strive for a permanent easement across the Gohlke property.
 - 2) Town of Newbold—Section 32 & 33—T38N-R8E—issued resolved; no action necessary.
- b) RAINBOW FLOWAGE SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE

1) Project timeline update—Bilogan distributed the Timeline Rainbow Flowage Bidding Process, noting the importance of the bid opening date of June 30, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. and that a Committee member or Corporation Counsel could be in attendance. It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to approve the bid opening date of June 30, 2011 at 11:30 a.m., in order for Cooper Engineering to give recommendation to the Forestry, Land, & Outdoor Recreation Committee at the July 6, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

2) Authorize bid specifications and plans to be advertised for bids—It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to authorize the Rainbow Flowage Snowmobile Bridge specifications and approve plans to be advertised for bids with the bid opening of June 30, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. Motion carried. Manny Oradei, DNR Liaison Forester, stated that the DNR Water Application approval is pending.

WISCONSIN COUNTY FORESTS ASSOCIATION (WCFA) 2011 SUMMER TOUR:

- a) Donations. Donations are coming in, but Bilogan reminded the Committee to request any company / business to consider donating for the door prizes.
- b) Budget. Bilogan stated that registration payments are coming in.
- c) Reservations / Attendance. Fiene asked the Committee if they were all planning on attending the Summer Tour. Discussion also took place concerning the 2 day agenda for the WCFA Summer Tour. Bilogan will check into this to make sure the agenda is posted correctly.

PARKS PROGRAM:

a) Tree Service Contract—Bilogan explained that there is a need for some trees to be removed from the park(s), and Bilogan had obtained estimates amounting to a little over \$2,000.00, and asked to move forward on the tree removal project in the park(s), and to have Chair Baier sign the contract. It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Berard, to approve the Tree Service Contract, with Chair Baier's signature. Motion carried.

b) Retaining Wall—Almon Park—Bilogan distributed color copies of the retaining wall at Almon Park. The Committee was in agreement that the Retaining Wall should be replaced / repaired as soon as possible. Bilogan had also receive an estimate on this project and also asked to move forward with the project, and to have Chair Baier sign the contract. It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to approve the Retaining Wall at Almon Park repair, with Chair Baier's signature. Motion carried.

RECREATIONAL TRAIL GRANT APPLICATIONS (RTA)—Bilogan explained that these are 50% cost sharing (if funds received) grants for recreational trails, which would be in Cassian, Nose Lake, and Washburn. It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to approve the recreational trail grant applications, with Chair Baier's signature. Motion carried.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ATV TRAIL ACROSS ONEIDA COUNTY.

- a) Timeline. Bilogan stated that it would take a significant amount of time to develop an ATV trail across Oneida County.
- b) Existing Oneida County ATV trail administration, development, and maintenance guidelines. Bilogan stated the current Oneida County ATV trail administration, and that maintenance guidelines are available for any ATV club.
- c) Role of the Oneida County Forestry Department. Bilogan stated that no ATV club had approached the Oneida County Forestry Department for any new ATV trail development within the last 2 years. Martinson felt that ATV trails should be developed from east to west. Martinson felt that letters should be sent to ATV clubs so they know

they could get help with new ATV trail development. Chair Baier felt that ATV trails should be developed east to west and north to south, and to encourage ATV clubs to pursue new ATV trail development. It was the consensus of the Committee that, as in the past, if an ATV club approaches the Forestry Department for new ATV trail development, then at that time the County would consider the request, and move accordingly.

VOUCHERS, BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS, & LINE ITEM TRANSFERS—It was moved by Berard, seconded by Martinson, to approve the following vouchers and blanket purchase orders for payment: Mike’s Rhinelander Glass \$122.00; John Bilogan (expense voucher) \$32.64; Nelson Paint Co. \$4,391.21; WDNR \$51.54; Oneida Co. Health Dept. \$20.00 + \$175.00; Cooper Engineering \$4,770.00; Airgas \$24.00; Culligan Water Conditioning \$66.75; Oneida Co. Highway \$742.24; Fastenal Co. \$22.94 + \$8.66 + \$33.13; Frontier \$42.00; Verizon \$44.23; Wisconsin Public Service \$244.56 + \$25.90; Menards \$11.58. Motion carried.

Line Item Transfers:

Transfer From:	Transfer To:
55210.699109=\$8,748.00	55210.493076=\$8,748.00
55212.699109=\$450.00	55212.531901=\$450.00

Motion carried.

DATE OF NEXT FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING—**July 6, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.**

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING(S).

Rainbow Flowage Snowmobile Bridge Bid Award, with Cooper Engineering recommendations; Update on Golke LUA; WCFA Summer Tour Review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. Lynne Broydrick with Tamerlane Ventures, was in attendance and asked to make a few comments about Tamerlane Ventures, and mining exploration in Oneida County. Lynne Broydrick went on to state that Tamerlane is a safe and solvent, stock-owned mining company. Stock sold in Canada. Tamerlane has an office in Blaine, WA, as well as Canada and Peru. Tamerlane obtains financing when mining / exploration is begun. However, 1.5 billion dollars has been raised for their mining / exploration projects already. Lynne Broydrick also stated that the Lynne Mining Project has 15—20 years of mineral available, which would produce over 100 good paying jobs (\$75,000.00--\$100,000.00 / year). Tamerlane also must adhere to reclamation plans.

Manny Oradei, DNR Liaison Forester, stated that the WDNR has a bulldozer available for work at cost.

Les Felbab stated that the Oneida County ATV Club is working on ATV (county forest) road widening.

ADJOURNMENT—With business completed, it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Berard, to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m. Motion Carried.

GARY BAIER
CHAIR

CINDY ECKARDT
RECORDING SECRETARY

