

**FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
MINUTES OF MEETING # 5-2010

DATE: **May 5, 2010**

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Committee Room # 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

PRESENT: Chair Baier; Committee Members Rudolph; Martinson; Berard.  
Forestry Staff: Bilogan; Fiene; Eckardt.

EXCUSED: Thompson.

OTHERS: Manny Oradei; Guy Hansen; Les Felbab; Bill Welsh; Tom Wiensch;  
Peter Wolk.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**—At 9:00 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 AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR'S DISCRETION**—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. Motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7, 2010 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Baier, to table approval of the minutes of the April 7, 2010 meeting until June 2, 2010 since there were not enough committee members present that were able to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**ELECT NEW VICE CHAIR**—Chair Baier called for nominations of vice chair. Berard nominated Jack Martinson for vice chair. Chair Baier called for nominations for vice chair two more times. It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to close nominations. Motion carried. Chair Baier called for roll call vote: Berard—aye; Martinson—aye; Baier—aye. Rudolph abstained. Motion carried.

**TIMBER THEFT UPDATE**—Assistant Corporation Counsel, Tom Wiensch, was present to give an update of the timber theft matters, indicating that the persons involved had paid \$7,500.00, and the bond was released to the county. The other timber theft issue is scheduled for a plea hearing on June 15, 2010.

**TIMBER SALE BID OPENING**—A total of 69 Timber Sale Bids were received, opened, read aloud, and recorded as follows, with the following bidders being awarded the following tracts:

**Tract 1-10** was awarded to Rick Graap / Graap Logging bid of \$48,590.78.

**Tract 2-10** was awarded to Fink Forest Products bid of \$19,536.50.

**Tract 3-10** was awarded to New Page Corp bid of \$27,884.89.

**Tract 5-10** was awarded to Rick Graap / Graap Logging bid of \$55,313.37.

**Tract 7-10** was awarded to Twin Forest Products bid of \$152,634.18.

**Tract 9-10** was awarded to Twin Forest Products bid of \$121,830.87.

**Tract 11-10** was awarded to Smola Bros., Inc. bid of \$71,989.00.

It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to award the contract to the high bids / bidders, pending if bid specifications are met, and if not, to award to the next high bid / bidder. Motion carried.

**WCFA SUMMER TOUR ATTENDANCE (JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup> PM – JUNE 18<sup>TH</sup> AM)**—

Bilogan explained the WCFA (Wisconsin County Forests Association) Summer Tour and the following committee members indicated they would like to attend: Baier; Martinson; Rudolph. (Berard will let Forestry Office know at a later date.)

**FISHING PIER PROJECT UPDATE**—Bilogan gave a brief update on the Fishing

Pier Project at Perch Lake Park, indicating the accepted amount of \$18,800.00. Bilogan stated that the AIA document required the Forestry Chair's signature. It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to authorize Chair Baier to sign the AIA document necessary for the project. Motion carried.

### **PARK ASPHALT & DEMOLITION PROJECTS:**

A. **Perch Lake Park ADA accessible path.** Bilogan explained there is a 50% cost sharing grant available for this project. Bilogan had obtained a proposal from the Oneida County Highway Department for an 8' wide accessible path for \$14,778.89. It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to proceed with the Oneida County Highway Department's proposal. Motion carried. Guy Hansen suggested that the County look into the use of recycled materials for the path.

B. **Almon Park Upper Level Access Road Repair.** Bilogan explained that \$16,831.05 is in the 2010 budget for this maintenance project. No grants are available for maintenance. Bilogan had also asked the Oneida County Highway Department for an estimate on this road repair project. It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to approve the Oneida County Highway Department doing this road repair project. Motion carried.

C. **Demolish old Town Line Park Toilet Building.** Bilogan explained that he had checked with the Oneida County Highway Department for this project. If done *before* August 11, 2010 the estimate was \$11,554.78. If work done *after* August 11, 2010 the estimate was \$9,028.98. Bilogan went on to explain that it's possible some of the work could be accomplished by the Forestry Department. It was then moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to direct Bilogan to proceed with obtaining bid proposals for the demolition project if bid proposals are over

\$5,000.00. If bid proposals are less than \$5,000.00 direct Bilogan to proceed with getting the project work done. Motion carried.

**COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS RESOLUTION**—A draft copy of the resolution was distributed to the Committee, after which it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Martinson, to approve the resolution and to have it forwarded to the May 18, 2010 County Board for approval. Motion carried.

**FOREST MANAGEMENT:**

**A. YEAR-TO-DATE TIMBER STUMPAGE REVENUE REPORT.** County Forester Paul Fiene distributed the Year-to-Date 2010 Timber Stumpage Revenue Report, noting the amount of \$73,080.91 for May 2010, and year to date total of \$362,907.37.

**B. TIMBER SALES FOR DISPOSITION**—The following timber sale contracts were acted upon in the following way, on a motion by Rudolph, seconded by Berard:

Contract # 1465 held by **New Page Corp** was closed as satisfactorily completed, and to refund full cash deposit of \$2,382.75.

Contract # 1452 held by **Futurewood Corp** was closed as satisfactorily completed, and to return full letter of credit deposit of \$5,560.04, pending bridge removal.

Contract # 1474 held by **Steven Dassow** was closed as satisfactorily completed, and to refund full cash deposit of \$9,748.50.

Motion carried.

**UTV PROGRAM**—Bilogan explained the UTV Pilot Program, for information purposes only, and information sheets were distributed to the Committee. The Oneida County ATV Association and the Little Rice ATV Riders Club wrote letters indicating that their groups were not in favor of Oneida County participating in the UTV Pilot Program. No monies are available from the DNR to develop / administer the program. Wait and see what happens for future consideration. No action taken.

**2009 ANNUAL REPORT**—Bilogan distributed and explained the Forestry Department's 2009 Annual Report, after which it was moved by Berard, seconded by Martinson, to forward to the May 18, 2010 County Board for approval. Motion carried.

**VOUCHERS, BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS, & LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**—It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to approve the following vouchers and blanket purchase orders for payment: New Page Corp \$2,383.75; Steven Dassow \$9,748.50; Best Western Midway Hotel \$210.00; Creative Designs \$130.00; Lakeland Lawn & Equipment \$251.16; AIA (Design / Build Agreement) \$17.43; Argonne Lumber \$15.60; ICO (fuel) \$1,245.23; Carquest Auto Parts \$140.82; Auto Value \$74.31; Rhinelander Auto Center \$506.16; Horst Distributing \$109.86; Oneida County 4-H Leaders Assn. \$27.00; Sportsman's

Service Center (trailer) \$1,347.00; Oneida Co. Snowmobile Council \$2,673.65; WCFA \$70.00; Culligan \$68.50; Airgas \$21.08; Fastenal Co. \$4.28 + \$54.44; Wisconsin Public Service \$227.34 + \$25.33; Northwoods Media \$94.25.  
Motion carried.

The following Line Item Transfer was approved on a motion by Martinson, seconded by Berard:

Transfer From:  
55210.699109=\$15,00.00

Transfer To:  
55210.699260=\$15,000.00

Motion carried.

**SET DATE FOR FUTURE MEETING**—June 2, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. was scheduled as the next meeting date and time.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING(S)**—  
Timber Theft Update if needed; Tour of County Forestry Facilities; Town Line Park Toilet Building Demolition Update; Town of Enterprise land use concerns; Coordinate meeting with Town of Little Rice on land use concerns.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**—Les Felbab inquired about the campground signs on Hwy. 17 S. Bilogan stated that the WDOT required white arrows, and signs have been made, and will be erected.

**ADJOURNMENT**—With business completed, it was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 a.m. Motion Carried.

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GARY BAIER  
CHAIR

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CINDY ECKARDT  
RECORDING SECRETARY