

FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING # 6-2010

DATE: **June 2, 2010**

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Committee Room # 1, 2nd Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

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

OTHERS: Manny Oradei; Guy Hansen; Les Felbab; Bill Welsh.

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 Martinson, seconded by Rudolph, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7, 2010 AND MAY 5, 2010 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETINGS—It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Berard, to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2010 and May 5, 2010 Forestry Committee meetings. 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 \$16,357.03 for May 2010, and year to date total of \$379,264.40.

B. **TIMBER SALE FOR DISPOSITION**—The following timber sale contract was acted upon in the following way, on a motion by Rudolph, seconded by Berard: Contract # 1466 held by **Kafka Forestry LLC** was closed as satisfactorily completed, and to return full letter of credit deposit of \$57,961.50. Motion carried.

FISHING PIER PROJECT UPDATE—Bilogan gave a brief update on the Fishing Pier Project at Perch Lake Park, noting that the contractor had not started work on the pier but would by the end of June.

TOWN LINE PARK BUILDING DEMOLITION—Bilogan distributed a list of four quotations / estimates he had received, as follows:

Arnott Trucking Inc \$3,750.00

Happy Herman's Inc \$4,950.00

Oneida County Highway Department \$9,028.98 (after August)
Oneida County Highway Department \$11,545.78 (before August)

It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Martinson, to direct Bilogan to go with the low quote of \$3,750.00 by Arnott Trucking, Inc., if specifications are met such as County insurance requirements. If not, proceed with the next low quote, and so on. Included in the motion was authorization for Bilogan and / or Baier to sign the contract as drafted by Corporation Counsel, between the contractor and Oneida County. Motion carried.

FRONTAGE ON TOWN LINE LAKE—Bilogan explained that the area where the Town Line Park Toilet Building is located was researched and is a little over an acre in size, and may be difficult to justify to the WDNR for forest crop law withdrawal. The Committee decided to leave as in and not pursue trying to sell the frontage.

WASHBURN TRAIL DEVELOPMENT REQUEST—Bilogan explained the he had received a request from Guy Hansen for additional trail development in the Washburn Trail, for multiple use trails for beginner to intermediate users. Bilogan went on to explain that the prison crew is scheduled to work June 21—July 1 and could be utilized for this type of trail development. Also RASTA will help in the trail development, as well as the WDNR (grubbing). It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Berard, to approve the proposed Washburn Trail Development request. Motion carried.

DISC GOLF COURSE REQUEST—Bilogan explained that he had received a request for a disc golf course on one of the county parks. Donated items (tee box signs; tee box markers; pins / baskets) and funding for part of the course were part of the request proposal. The general location of the disc golf course was mapped out at Almon Recreation Area. Disc golf course development work could be accomplished by use of the prison crew (brushing out the proposed course), Forestry staff (mowing and minor grading), and user group (installing tee box signs, and pin / baskets). It was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Thompson, to approve the disc golf course, pending proof of funding (donations) and donated items. Motion carried.

TOWN OF ENTERPRISE COORDINATION MEETING—Bilogan explained that he and Gary Baier had been invited to attend a Town of Enterprise town meeting on May 20. The main issue raised was that of access roads, in particular the gated and bermed roads and trails. Bilogan explained the pros and cons of the access issues, noting that 72—75% of County Forest in Enterprise lies within ¼ mile of a road or trail open to some type of motor vehicle. Bilogan also explained the procedure of amendments to the 15 Year Plan, which includes ordinance amendments to be brought before the full County Board. Bilogan's opinion was that the citizens of the Town of Enterprise were supportive of development in the Town of Enterprise. Any town with county forest land in Oneida County is

welcome to attend Forestry Committee meetings to make requests or proposals. It was the overall consensus of the Forestry Committee to leave it up to the individual towns / townships to come forward to the County to make requests or proposals.

DISCUSS PLANS FOR FORESTRY COMMITTEE TOUR OF COUNTY FOREST FACILITIES, PROJECTS, & LAND—July 28, 2010 was tentatively selected as the tour date.

VOUCHERS, BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS, & LINE ITEM TRANSFERS—It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Martinson, to approve the following vouchers and blanket purchase orders for payment: Oneida County Health Dept. \$150.00; John Bilogan (expense voucher) \$68.50; Carquest Auto Parts \$44.36; Nelson Paint Co. \$4,029.79; Clara's Country Sewing \$15.00; APHIS \$1,989.50; WDNR \$461.67; Lakeland Hardware \$32.79; Frontier \$42.00; Verizon Wireless \$55.20; Oneida Co. Solid Waste \$47.92; Oneida Co. Highway \$1,373.16; Airgas \$20.40; Wisconsin Public Service \$158.56 + \$23.04. Motion carried.

No Line Item Transfers were necessary.

NEXT FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING—July 7, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING(S)—Tour of County Forestry Facilities Update; Town Line Park Toilet Building Demolition Update; Town of Enterprise land use concerns (if Forestry Department is contacted by Town of Enterprise in advance); maps of County Forest Blocks showing percentages of motor vehicle accessibility.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—Les Felbab stated that the campground was full over Memorial Day weekend. Bilogan informed the Committee about the drowning of the UW-SP Treehaven student at Buck Lake on May 28. LTE Park Ranger Tim Steigerwaldt was first on scene and had opened access to the beach area. Bilogan had received a call from UW-SP Treehaven administration asking if a donation of a rope with buoys could be placed on Buck Lake and signs (use extreme caution while swimming; no life guard on duty). Rudolph suggested that a letter be sent to UW-SP Treehaven advising the use of extreme caution to Treehaven students swimming at Buck Lake.

ADJOURNMENT—With business completed, it was moved by Rudolph, seconded by Thompson, to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m. Motion Carried.

GARY BAIER
CHAIR

CINDY ECKARDT
RECORDING SECRETARY

