

The Florence County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment on December 17, 2013. The meeting was called to order by the Chair. Members present were Supervisors: Bomberg, Halada, Johnson, Kelley, Neuens, Steber, Stratton, Theer, and Wenger. Excused: Supervisor Erickson and Supervisor Gardner. Absent: None.

Moved by Supervisor Stratton, seconded by Supervisor Theer to approve the Agenda, as presented. Ayes: Nine (9). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Steber, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve the minutes of the last meeting, as read. Ayes: Nine (9). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Jessica Klumpp, Executive Director/Fair Manager, and Janice Gehlhoff, Fair Board, did a presentation and overview on a successful 2013 Florence County Fair and International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) Convention. Ms. Klumpp proudly displayed 4 - first place trophies for Hall of Honor Communications Awards and Competitive Exhibit Awards, these divisions include up to 100,000 in attendance. The IAFE Young Professionals Initiative awarded Ms. Klumpp the honor of the Rising Star Award. The nominees are any employee, volunteer, or board member under the age of 40 of a member fair, show, expo, or exhibition. Only three people have received the Rising Star Award prior to Ms. Klumpp. The 123rd Annual IAFE Convention was held in Las Vegas, December 11, 2013.

Chairwoman Bomberg and the Board congratulated the Fair Board on all their dedication and many hours of hard work in making the Florence County Fair a success.

Moved by Supervisor Steber, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to approve the RLF Loan #2013-57 contingent on completion of all documents required by the Florence County Revolving Loan Program. Ayes: Nine (9). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Wenger, seconded by Supervisor Steber to approve the Operational Agreement with the Natural Resource Conservation Service. Ayes: Nine (9). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kelley, seconded by Supervisor Wenger to approve the 2014 Annual Florence County Forest Work Plan with an amendment to page 2, under Forest Protection, paragraph b. to change the date to 2014. Ayes: Nine (9). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Under Committee reports. Supervisor Neuens attended the Economic Development Summit stating that he was surprised by the amount of money available to businesses for training, expansion, and grants.

Supervisor Kelley announced the revenue for 2013 Timber Sales to date are \$1,129,806.

Supervisor Stratton stated that UW-Extension just finished a WisLine Webinar Series. The 4 areas of interest were Effective Budgeting, Legislative Update, Traditional and Innovative Road Funding, and Civility and Civil Dialogue in Local Government. This series was open to all towns, villages, cities, and county officials.

Chairwoman Bomberg appointed Ken Johnson, Veterans of Foreign Wars, for a 3-year term, Mark St. Louis, American Legion, 2-year term, and Greg Seibold, Veteran, for a 1-year term to serve on the 2014 Veterans Service Commission. She explained that to stay in compliance with State Statutes the County needed to have a Commission made up of Veterans to serve needy Veterans. This recommendation came from the Personnel Committee and Mike Theis, Veteran Service Officer.

Under Board member concerns for future agenda items. Supervisor Neuens had concerns on the process of County Ordinances.

Chairwoman Bomberg wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

There being no further business and on a motion made, seconded, and carried the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Trudell
County Clerk