

FLORENCE COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING

4:00 PM - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2022

LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM - LOWER LEVEL

FLORENCE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER

FLORENCE, WI 54121

PRESENT:

SUPERVISOR / COMMITTEE MEMBER
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DNR – COUNTY FOREST LIAISON/STATE LAND FORESTER
USFS TIMBER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT
FORESTRY & PARKS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR
FORESTRY & PARKS BUSINESS MANAGER

SUSAN THEER
FRAN MODSCHIEDLER
RICH WOLOSYN
MATT BRUNETTE
TYLER WOOD
DAN REYNOLDS - PHONE
TAYLOR ZIOLKOWSKI
MARY PODNAR

ABESENT OR EXCUSED: Ed Kelley

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Supervisor Wolosyn called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Roll call was taken – Ed Kelley was excused.

2. APPROVAL / AGENDA

It was moved by Supervisor Brunette seconded by Supervisor Modschiedler and unanimously carried to approve the agenda.

3. APPROVAL / MINUTES

It was moved by Supervisor Theer seconded by Supervisor Brunette and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as read.

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

5. AGENCY REPORTS

A. USFS

USFS Timber Management Assistant Dan Reynolds said the NEPA Planner position has been filled. The Seasonal Recreation crew will be back in April. Kellee Gallion will be working in the Florence office on Tuesdays.

There is one active timber sale in Florence County. Wildlife built six fish cribs on Halsey Lake.

B. DNR – TYLER WOOD

DNR County Forest Liaison/State Land Forester Tyler Wood reported no active sales in the County. The DNR Strategic Direction plan is open for public comment on the DNR website.

6. COUNTY FOREST

A. TIMBER SALE UPDATE

Assistant Administrator Ziolkowski reported two active timber sales in the County. The spring timber sales are ready for internal review.

B. APPROVE ANNUAL WORKPLAN

It was moved by Supervisor Modschiedler seconded by Supervisor Brunette and unanimously carried to approve the Annual Workplan and send to County Board.

C. FORESTRY TECH LTE POSITION UPDATE

Ziolkowski passed around the Limited Term Forestry Technician job description. It did not have the hours required or pay wage on it. Supervisor Wolosyn would like to see this brought back with this information for next month's meeting.

7. RESOLUTIONS

It was moved by Supervisor Theer seconded by Supervisor Brunette and unanimously carried to approve Resolutions A – E and send to County Board.

8. RECREATION

A. SNOWMOBILE CLUB INSURANCE ISSUES

Supervisor Modschiedler reported that the Blue Ox Trail Riders have insurance.

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. LAKE OF DREAMS

Ziolkowski passed around the letter sent out to the town chairs regarding land used as a match for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program. This Lake of Dreams property was included in the match. There is no legal access to the property. Ziolkowski contacted the neighboring landowner for a possible easement into the property.

B. BESSIE BABBET

Ziolkowski is working on identifying what the county owns and to possibly build a small landing and road to access Bessie Babbet Lake. This is an objective on the Annual Workplan.

Smith and Ziolkowski met with SECOLA regarding the North Lake Boat Landing and the meeting went well. Steve Frieberg with Coleman Engineering attended the meeting to answer questions.

Coleman Engineering did the survey for the neighboring driveway. We are now waiting for the neighbor to have his survey complete.

The Resource Center Janitor gave her two week's notice. Supervisor Wolosyn will bring to Building and Grounds meeting to accept resignation and approve advertising to bring to the next Personnel Meeting.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER'S COMMENTS & CONCERNS

Both Supervisor Wolosyn and Supervisor Brunette will not be at next month's meeting.

Supervisor Wolosyn said they are looking for another drone pilot. Land Information received a grant to purchase a RTK survey piece of equipment that he believes would be beneficial for Forestry.

11. BILLS / REVENUES – FORESTRY & RESOURCE CENTER

It was moved by Supervisor Modschiedler seconded by Supervisor Theer and carried to approve bills being paid for the month of January by Forestry and Parks and the Florence Natural Resource Center.

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Supervisor Brunette seconded by Supervisor Modschiedler and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 4:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Podnar, Business Manager
Florence County Forestry and Parks