

**FLORENCE COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**4:00 PM - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023**  
**LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM - LOWER LEVEL**  
**FLORENCE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER, FLORENCE, WI 54121**

**PRESENT:**

SUPERVISOR / CHAIRMAN  
SUPERVISOR / COMMITTEE MEMBER  
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USFS TIMBER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT  
DNR – PUBLIC LAND FORESTER  
FORESTRY & PARKS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR  
FORESTRY & PARKS BUSINESS MANAGER

ED KELLEY  
FRAN MODSCHIEDLER  
SUSAN THEER  
MATT BRUNETTE  
JOE MILLS  
DAN REYNOLDS – PHONE  
TYLER WOOD  
TAYLOR ZIOLKOWSKI  
MARY PODNAR

**ABESENT OR EXCUSED:** Pat Smith

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Chairman Ed Kelley called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Roll call was taken – all Committee members were in attendance.

**2. APPROVAL / AGENDA**

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

**3. APPROVAL / MINUTES**

It was moved by Supervisor Mills seconded by Supervisor Theer and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of August 9, 2023.

**4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

**5. AGENCY REPORTS**

**A. USFS**

USFS Timber Management Assistant Dan Reynolds gave an update on USFS positions. There are four positions in Florence. There are two active timber sale in Florence County. The USFS Fiscal Year ends September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**B. DNR – TYLER WOOD**

DNR County Forester Tyler Wood reported one active sale in the County. There will be a new Technician starting October 25<sup>th</sup> for DNR Florence station.

**6. COUNTY FOREST**

**A. TIMBER SALE UPDATE**

Assistant Administrator Taylor Ziolkowski reported two active timber sales in the County.

**B. APPROVE TO BID TIMBER SALES**

Ziolkowski passed around and discussed the Fall Timber Sale packet. It was moved by Supervisor Theer seconded by Supervisor Modschiedler and unanimously carried to approve to bid the Fall 2023 Timber Sales.

**7. RECREATION**

**A. WEST BASS BATH HOUSE UPDATE**

Parks Manager Marvin Davis tore down the existing bathrooms to get for new bathhouse construction which should begin soon.

**8. ADMINISTRATORS REPORT**

Ziolkowski passed around an Access Permit to allow access to a landowners camp. It was moved by Supervisor Mills seconded by Supervisor Brunette and carried to approve the Access Permit.

In accordance with the Annual Work Plan – the department has been working on establishing wild rice sites.

Davis will be doing maintenance work on the Horse Trails.

The Parks & Ski Hill manager raise was approved.

**9. COMMITTEE MEMBER'S COMMENTS & CONCERNS**

Supervisor Modschiedler said the Town of Florence wants to open more alleys and roads for UTV/Snowmobile use. These areas need signage – who is responsible for signing these areas need to be determined.

**10. BILLS / REVENUES – FORESTRY & RESOURCE CENTER**

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

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Kelley at 4:40 PM.

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