

PRICE COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 10, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: UW-Extension Conference Room; 104 S Eyder Ave; Phillips, WI 54555

Call to Order and Roll Call. Meeting called to order by Jean Gottwald, County Clerk at 9:00 a.m. Present: Ron Heikkinen, Dean Kurth, Larry Palecek, Kay Pluemer, Sheryl Slaby. Also present: Bruce Jilka, Eric Holm, Nick Trimner, Kyle Schmidt (DNR Liaison)

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Election of Committee Chair: Palecek nominated Ron Heikkinen for Committee Chair. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Palecek/Pluemer to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Ron Heikkinen for Committee Chair. Motion carried. Ron Heikkinen declared Committee Chair.
2. Election of Committee Vice-chair: Heikkinen nominated Larry Palecek for Committee Vice-chair. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Heikkinen/Slaby to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Larry Palecek for Vice-chair. Motion carried.
3. Public Comment and Correspondence: Eric received a card thanking for the spring clean-up from Barb and Emil Breitzman.
4. Minutes from April 5, 2016 meeting: Motion Heikkinen/Palecek to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
5. Financial Report and Vouchers: Motion Palecek/Pluemer to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$18,442.80. Motion carried.
6. Award 2016 Spring Timber Sale Bids: Tract 1-16 Schienebeck Logging, LLC \$49,770; Tract 2-16 Joe Raleigh \$53,466.00; Tract 3-16 Woody Brothers \$46,140; Tract 4-16 Gumz Logging \$56,790; Tract 5-16 SAPPI \$19,510.90; Tract 6-16 Futurewood \$41,184; Tract 7-16 SAPPI \$92,507; Tract 8-16 Wiitala and Vozka \$57,300; Tract 9-16 no bids; Tract 11-16 Wiitala and Vozka \$41,180; Tract 12-16 Steve Dassow \$70,600; Tract 13-16 Schloer Logging \$90,691.60. Motion Palecek/Slaby to award the winning bids as outlined. Motion carried.
7. Timber Sale Extensions: Motion Palecek/Pluemer to forego the extension fee to the swamp sales that have not been able to access the properties. Motion carried.
8. Arthur and Margot Jeschke Claim against the County: County's liability carrier has made an offer but not heard back.
9. Solberg Lake Pit Toilet – Resolution to Executive Committee: Information only.
10. Proposal for WDNR Division of Forestry Headquarters Location: Information on the State's plan on moving the DNR headquarters north of Highway 10.
11. Department Report: Stumpage \$667,543.15. One active timber sale. Prison crew worked on park clean-ups. Frederick Freeman hired as Forester with starting date of May 9<sup>th</sup>. Eric attended County Deer Advisory Council and Pine Line Trail Corridor meetings. Looking into WI-FI at Solberg Park at no cost to the County. Shelter roof replacements at Smith Lake and Tuscobia parks.
12. Set Next Meeting Date: June 14, 2016.
13. Meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk