

PRICE COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 9, 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 Chair Heikkinen at 9:00 a.m. Present: Al Haskins, Ron Heikkinen, Jim Hintz, Mary Jesunas. Excused: Dennis Marmitt. Also present: Eric Holm, Bob Kopisch, Nick Trimner, Kyle Schmidt (DNR Liaison).

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment and Correspondence: Article in Timber Producers Magazine – clearing at Timm's Hill.
2. Minutes from December 8, 2015 meeting: Motion Jesunas/Hintz to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2015 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
3. Financial Report and Vouchers: 2015 timber sales \$2,592,225.53, parks revenue \$128,868.28. January off to a slow start. Motion Hintz/Jesunas to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$163,563.60. Motion carried.
4. Road Access Permits: One road access permit for Dale Beutler, Town of Georgetown.
5. Status of Timber Sale 20-12: Payment was received before the end of 2015.
6. Update on Omaha Road project in the Town of Lake: Town of Lake would like Omaha Road paved going to the Smith Lake County Park. Town is looking for possible solutions.
7. Possible Update to the Recreation Plan: Tied to item #6. No action.
8. 2016 Fee Schedule: Motion Jesunas/Hintz to approve the Permits and Fees Schedule with a change to Timber Sale Contract Extension Fee “*The Forestry and Parks Committee has discretion to waive the timber sale contract extension fee, due to conditions, if timber sale contains greater than 50% swampland.” Motion carried.
9. Arthur and Margot Jeschke Claim Against the County: Turned over to liability insurance carrier. No update available.
10. Department Report: 16 active sales. Assisting with snowmobile trails and freezing logging roads. Working on marking timber sales for spring bids. Grant for removing Squaw Creek Dam submitted to DNR.
11. Set Next Meeting Date: March 8, 2016.
12. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk