

**PRICE COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: May 8, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54555

Call to Order and Roll Call. Meeting called to order by County Clerk Jean Gottwald at 9:00 a.m. Present: Marguerite Sue Bocock, Ronald Heikkinen, James Hintz, Dean Kurth, Sheryl Slaby. Also present: Eric Holm; Nick Trimner; Bruce Jilka; Joe Grapa; Dan Schumacher and Kyle Schmidt, WDNR

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Election of Committee Chairperson: Hintz nominated Ronald Heikkinen for Committee Chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Hintz/Slaby to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Ronald Heikkinen for Committee Chairperson. Motion carried. Ron took over running of the meeting.
2. Election of Committee Vice-chairperson: Heikkinen nominated James Hintz for Committee Vice-chairperson. Three calls for further nominations. Motion Kurth/Slaby to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for James Hintz for Committee Vice-chairperson. Motion carried.
3. Public Comment and Correspondence: None.
4. Minutes from April 9, 2018 meeting: Motion Slaby/Kurth to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
5. Financial Report and Voucher: Discussion. Motion Kurth/Slaby to approve the voucher in the amount of \$138,624.32. Motion carried.
6. Timber Sale Bid Opening: Reviewed results of timber sale bids. Motion Hintz/Kurth to accept the winning bids as presented. Motion carried.
7. Pine Line Timber Sale and Trail Maintenance – Troy Larson: Vice-chairperson of the Price-Taylor Rail Trail Corridor Commission voiced his concern regarding condition of the Price County portion of the trail and need for timber sale. Jake Walcisak, Forest Administrator for Taylor County offered input. Motion Hintz/Kurth to postpone to next meeting. Motion carried.
8. Cranberry Creek Wildlife Flowage Dam Failure: Roxanne Kahan, Emergency Management Coordinator did a dam failure report. Motion Kurth/Slaby to apply for DNR dam program grant for dam repair during the next request period (in two years). Motion carried.
9. Department Report: No active timber sales. Working on fall timber sale bid letting. Late spring has delayed getting parks ready. Prison crew from Camp Flambeau raking at Solberg Lake Park. Hired two summer workers. Grant paperwork for Camp 5 Flowage submitted.
10. Set Next Meeting Date: June 12, 2018.
11. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk