

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

Date: August 14, 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 James Hintz, Committee Vice-Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Present: Marguerite Sue Bocock, Jeffrey Hallstrand, James Hintz, Sheryl Slaby. Also present: Eric Holm; Joe Grapa; Kyle Schmidt, WDNR

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Election of Committee Chairperson: Will wait until after reassignments will be done.
2. Public Comment and Correspondence: Sheryl asked how stumpage on gravel is handled.
3. Minutes from May 8, 2018 meeting: Motion Slaby/Bocock to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
4. Financial Report and Voucher: Motion Hallstrand/Slaby to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$53,493.29. Motion carried.
5. Pine Line Trail: July 10th Commission meeting. Commission is asking for a timber sale, construction of a parking lot and graveling by Price County. Troy Larson, representative to the Commission, spoke regarding what is being done on the Taylor County side and that the snowmobile club is doing some of the maintenance. Donald Hederer, property owner, spoke regarding issues with a timber sale and asked for clarification of actual trail ownership.
6. 2019 Budget: Eric reviewed capital improvement–projects and purchases requested for 2019-2021. Eric will look into availability of grants for some of the projects.
7. Sustainable Forestry Grant Application Approval: DNR grant project - \$22,000 for 15 iPads to be distributed to counties. Motion Slaby/Hallstrand to approve the Price County Forestry and Parks Department be the facilitator for the Sustainable Forestry Grant Application for \$22,000 for 15 iPads. Motion carried.
8. Possible Land Acquisition (T37N-R2W-Sec19): 49 acre parcel on the Flambeau River adjoining other County property has become available for sale for \$205,000. Information only.
9. Camp 5 Dam Update: Received two grants for \$10,000 each. Plans and project bidding being done. Perhaps this fall.
10. 2017 Annual Report: Not available.
11. Department Report: Timber sales \$1,198,742 with five active sales. DNR relocating ruffed grouse from Price County forest land to Missouri. Parks have been busy – Solberg Lake has been full but Smith Lake is down. Trail and wildlife opening maintenance, establishing fall timber sale.
12. Set Next Meeting Date: November 6th.
13. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk