

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

Date: October 8, 2019 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 Chairperson at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Sue Bocock, Jeffrey Hallstrand, James Hintz, Paula Houdek, Sheryl Slaby. Also present: Eric Holm, Joe Grapa, Nick Trimmer

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment and Correspondence: Grant application for Solberg Lake Park shelter and playground equipment was denied.
2. Minutes from June 11, 2019 meeting: Motion Hallstrand/Houdek to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
3. Request for a Bark Park – Tuscobia Trailhead Park: Mary Schmocker and Jim Corbett from the Park Falls Lions Club present more information on the project. Discussion. Motion Hallstrand/Slaby to move forward with MOU and resolution for committee consideration. Motion carried.
4. Follow-up on June 11th County Parks Tour: Discussed parks visited. Will discuss future of Pine Line Rail Trail maintenance and possible logging.
5. 2018 Annual Report: Reviewed.
6. 2020 Annual Work Plan: Motion Houdek/Slaby to approve the 2020 Annual Work Plan and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
7. 2021 – 2035 County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan Process: DNR required 15 year plan needs to be renewed. Will need public comment session. Rough draft should be ready by May. June public hearing. To County Board by November for approval. Motion Houdek/Bocock to proceed with the County protocol for public comment hearing to potentially be scheduled in June. Motion carried.
8. Department Report: Attended several meetings/trainings. Needed new caretaker at Solberg Lake Park. Summer maintenance at parks. Timber sale access road projects. Trails repaired. Herbicide application done by helicopter due to wet conditions. Received \$19,115 DNR grant for crushed gravel on Pine Line Trail and \$5,200 from Ruffed Grouse Society for gates on walking trails.
9. Financial Report and Voucher: Motion Houdek/Hallstrand to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$154,882.02. Motion carried.
10. Set Next Meeting Date: November 5 and December 10.
11. Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk