

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

Date: November 10, 2022

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54558

Call to Order and Roll Call. Meeting called to order by Jordan Spacek, Committee Vice-chair at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jason Hastings, Jordan Spacek, Patricia Stephan, Ginny Strobl. Excused: Jeff Hallstrand. Also present: Nick Trimmer, Joe Grapa, Alan Barkstrom

Nick reviewed procedure for those attending electronically.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment and Communications: Chair Barkstrom sent a letter to the DNR regarding their denial of the Steve Creek Dam maintenance.
2. Minutes from August 8, 2022 Meetings: Motion Strobl/Hastings to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
3. Fall Timber Sale Bid Packet: 15 parcels. Motion Strobl/Hastings to approve the timber sale bid packet as presented. Motion carried.
4. 2023 Annual Work Plan: Motion Spacek/Strobl to approve the plan as presented and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
5. Expansion of Price County Parks: Continue to look into online registration for campgrounds. Reviewed the ongoing plans. Request for providing some products for sale (ice, vending machines).
6. Ordinance Penalties and Fines: Reviewed current penalties. Damage to non-motorized trails continues to be a problem. Will reevaluate and plan for amending in 2023.
7. Department Report: Planning for the DNR grants that were approved: Georgetown ATV trail, Timms Hill bathroom and road to tower and Pine-Line Trail maintenance. Plot inventory being done for the carbon credit program. Provided updates and photos on the summer projects: Cranberry Creek shooting range, Smith Lake volleyball court and beach improvements, Big Falls overlook, Timm's Hill play equipment. Parks have been winterized. Four active timber sales. Have met the 2022 revenue budget. Interviewing for new Forester. The Fred Smith House repairs are coming to completion. New Friends of Fred Smith director and board are being very active.
8. Financial Report and Vouchers: Motion Strobl/Hastings to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$229,796.81. Motion carried.
9. Set Next Meeting Date: December 6.
10. Meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk