

Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee
Minutes of Monday, June 9, 2014 @ 9:00 A.M.
Lincoln County Service Center Conference Room 107
801 N. Sales St., Suite 106, Merrill, WI 54452 **715-539-1034

Members Present: Graham Rankin, John Bailey, Donald Nelson, Carl Vander Sanden and Ryan Schwartzman

Visitors: Bill Groth, Kevin Kleinschmidt, and Sherrie Zortman

1. Call meeting to order. The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee met on Monday, June 9, 2014 in Conference Room 107, Lincoln County Service Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Graham Rankin at 9:00 a.m.
2. Approve minutes of May 12, 2014 meeting. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Nelson to approve minutes of May 12, 2014 meeting as printed. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. Review year to date budget report. The Committee reviewed year to date budget report and placed on file.
4. Comments from members of the public or invited guests. No comments.
5. Open and award timber sale bids. Three bids were received for the two remaining sales that were not sold at the May 12, 2014 Timber Sale. The total estimated value for the 2 jobs sold is \$67,655.44. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Schwartzman to award sales to high bidders at Kevin's discretion, pending any necessary reference checks. All ayes. Motion carried.
6. Open and award any land sale bids. No bids received.
7. Approve Sustainable Forestry Grant. Kevin requested approval to apply for grant dollars to purchase new surveillance cameras. Discussion followed. Motion by Nelson, second by Bailey to approve application for Sustainable Forestry Grant, and if Lincoln County is awarded grant dollars, consider purchasing an additional camera with county funds. All ayes. Motion carried.
8. Recreation Officer's report. Kevin distributed report and advised the Recreation Officer could not be present. Discussion followed.
9. Fall timber sale contract length. Kevin advised of several contractors' requests to extend the length of the fall timber sale contracts. Discussion followed. Motion by Nelson, second by Bailey to hold fall timber sales in November rather than December, on a trial basis, and to re-evaluate and change if necessary. All ayes. Motion carried.
10. Set date and authorize advertising for tax delinquent land sale. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Nelson to hold tax delinquent land sale on August 11, 2014, and authorize advertising. All ayes. Motion carried.
11. Re-appraise tax delinquent properties. The Committee reviewed and set new minimum bids on tax delinquent properties for sale. Motion by Nelson, second by Vander Sanden to approve re-appraisals established for tax delinquent properties. All ayes. Motion carried.

12. WDNR Report – Bill Groth. Bill Groth reported on marking timber on the county forest.

13. Review Administrator’s written report. Kevin reported on several items that will be on next month’s agenda including biomass cleanup. The Administrator’s written report was reviewed and placed on file.

14. Close timber sales.

T013-12	Graap Logging	Cashed in Irrevocable Letter of Credit
T001-13	Graap Logging	Cashed in Irrevocable Letter of Credit
T012-12	Graap Logging	Cashed in Irrevocable Letter of Credit
T014/17-13	Graap Logging	Cashed in Irrevocable Letter of Credit
T024-12	Graap Logging	Cashed in Irrevocable Letter of Credit
T028-12	Graap Logging	Cashed in Irrevocable Letter of Credit
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Motion by Nelson, second by Vander Sanden to close sales per Kevin’s recommendation. All ayes.
Motion carried.

15. Set next meeting date. The next Forestry, Land & Parks Committee Meetings are set as follows:

Monday, July 14, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., LCSC Conference Room 107
Monday, August 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., LCSC Conference Room 107

16. Leave to view and establish minimum bid for Forward House – 1200 E. 3rd St., Merrill. The committee left to view the house at 1200 E. 3rd Street, Merrill. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Bailey to establish minimum bid for Forward House at \$30,000.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

17. Adjourn meeting. Motion by Schwartzman, second by Bailey to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. All ayes.
Motion carried.