

Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee
Minutes of Monday, May 9, 2016 @ 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: Carl Vander Sanden, Robert Reichelt, Corey Nowak, William Bialecki, Kevin Koth

Members Excused:

Members Absent:

Visitors: Jim Bauer, Dean Bowe, Nick Behrens, Lee Rahlf, Sue Beilfuss, Jim Lokemoen, Bill Groth, Kevin Kleinschmidt, Deb Gerdes and others.

1. Call meeting to order. The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee met on Monday, May 9, 2016 in Conference Room 107, Lincoln County Service Center. The meeting was called to order by Kevin Kleinschmidt at 9:00 a.m.

2. Election of officers.

a. Chair. Kevin Kleinschmidt requested nominations for Chair of the Forestry, Land and Parks Committee. Robert Reichelt nominated Carl Vander Sanden. There were no other nominations. Motion by Reichelt, second by Koth that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Carl Vander Sanden as Chair. All ayes. Motion carried.

b. Vice Chair. Carl Vander Sanden requested nominations for Vice-Chair. Carl Vander Sanden nominated Robert Reichelt. There were no other nominations. Motion by Koth, second by Bialecki that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Robert Reichelt as Vice-Chair. All ayes. Motion carried.

c. Secretary. Carl Vander Sanden requested nominations for Secretary. William Bialecki nominated Corey Nowak, second by Koth. Corey Nowak nominated Kevin Koth. No second. Motion by Koth, second by Vander Sanden that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Corey Nowak as Secretary. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Approve minutes of April 11, 2016 meeting. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Bialecki to approve minutes of April 11, 2016 meeting as printed. All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Review year to date budget report. The Committee reviewed year to date budget report and placed on file.

5. Comments from members of the public or invited guests. No comments.

6. Open and award timber sale bids. Kevin welcomed those present, made introductions and explained the bid opening procedure. Timber sale bids were opened and read. One hundred and one bids were received on seventeen jobs totaling \$1,249,493.55. Motion by Koth, second by Bialecki to award sales to high bidders pending any necessary reference checks or mathematical errors. All Ayes. Motion Carried. One job received no bid. The committee will accept bids on the remaining sale at the June 13, 2016 Forestry Committee meeting.

7. Approve 2017 budget. Kevin distributed and reviewed copies of the 2017 preliminary budget and answered questions. Discussion followed. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Reichelt to approve 2017 preliminary budget as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

8. Approve 2017 Capital Outlay request. Kevin distributed and presented Capital Outlay request and long-range Capital Improvement/Outlay equipment replacement schedule. Motion by Bialecki, second by Reichelt to approve 2017 Capital Outlay request and replacement schedule as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

9. WCFA Summer Tour June 16-17, 2016. Motion by Koth, second by Vander Sanden to approve attendance at the WCFA Summer Tour, authorizing mileage and per diem for committee members who attend. All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Disposition of 1968 John Deere tractor. Motion by Vander Sanden, second by Bialecki to attempt to sell tractor to the highest bidder. All ayes. Motion carried.

11. WDNR Report – Bill Groth. Bill informed the committee that fire season has been quiet around the Merrill area and they have been setting up timber sales. There was a 7 acre prescribed burn on Prairie River property, and the DNR will offer five timber sales on state land.

12. Review Administrator's written report. The Administrator's report was reviewed and placed on file.

13. Close timber sales.

T026-14	Bruce Broeking	Close and refund cash bond
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T007-13	Central Wisconsin Lumber	Close and refund cash bond except for \$3290.32 to be withheld for uncut wood.

Motion by Nowak, second by Koth to close sales per Kevin's recommendation. All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Set next meeting date. The next Forestry, Land & Parks Committee Meetings are set as follows:
Monday, June 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., LCSC Conference Room 107
Monday, July 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., LCSC Conference Room 107

15. Adjourn meeting. Motion by Nowak, second by Bialecki to adjourn at 10:05 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.