

AGENDA

County Of Eau Claire
Committee On Parks & Forest
Tuesday, December 13, 2016 – 5:00 p.m.
Ag & Resource Center
227 1st St West, Altoona WI 54720

Members note: Please call the committee chair or office if you will not be attending the meeting.

1. Confirmation of meeting notice
2. Approval of minutes from November 8, 2016 and November 17, 2016 Meetings – Discussion/action – Pages 2-4
3. Public Input
4. Fall Back Blast Race – Report by CORBA – Discussion
5. Awarding of 2016 Fall Timber Sales – Discussion/action
6. Approval of Timber Sale Extension Requests – Discussion/action
7. Request to continue Kickin’Kids Free Monday Ski Nights 4 pm to close at Tower Ridge months of January and February– Discussion/action – Page 5
8. Dredge Spoils Site at Lake Eau Claire – Discussion/action – Pages 6-7
9. Proposal to Build BMX Bike Track at Lowes Creek Park by Commonweal Development Corporation – Jamie Radabaugh - Discussion/Action
10. Approval of Ordinance 16-17/162 Amending Section 16.30.040B. of the Code: Fees and Charges – Discussion/action – Pages 8-10
11. Litter/Dumping Committee Report – Discussion
12. Stewardship Committee report – Discussion
13. Correspondence
14. Staff and committee reports
15. Advisory Committee Input/Assignments
16. Future and pending items Next Meeting – 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at Ag Center

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY
COMMITTEE ON PARKS & FOREST**

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 8, 2016, 5:00 p.m.
Ag & Resource Center, Altoona WI 54720

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Gibson, Patrick LaVelle, Tami Schraufnagel, Kevin Stelljes and Bruce Willett

OTHERS PRESENT: Ludwig, WDNR Forester

STAFF PRESENT: Jody Gindt, Jake Tumm, Josh Pedersen and Bobbi Barone

The meeting was called to order by Chair Patrick LaVelle at 5:00 p.m.

1. Confirmation of meeting notice – Meeting notice was confirmed.
2. Approval of minutes from October 11 Meeting and October 28, 2016 Forestry Tour - Bruce moved to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2016 committee meeting and October 28, 2016 Forestry Tour; motion carried 5-0.
3. Public Input – No members of the public were present for this item.
4. 2016 Fall Timber Sales – Brooke answered questions of the committee. She stated sale 18-15 was held back from the spring sale due to committee objection to not enough green tree retention – more areas were added. Kevin’s initial concern was staying away from the marsh and confused with the appraised value and advertised value discrepancy. After discussion, Kevin made a motion to approve the sales as submitted; motion carried.
5. Coon Gut/Pinter Pines Management Plan – Kevin asked that this item be on the December committee meeting for in-depth discussion and the committee agreed.
6. Litter/Dumping Committee Report – Pat reported the committee scheduled for yesterday was cancelled. Kevin brought up the state of New Jersey program addressing litter in their parks and that perhaps someone on the Litter/Dumping Committee could look into their program for ideas
7. Exposition Center/Curling Club Lease Extension – Josh reported the groups had met and were constructive and that a lease extension may soon be finalized
8. Stewardship Committee report – Kevin said there was nothing to report as the appraisal had not been received on the Brown property. When the appraisal is received by the Stewardship Committee, the committee will make a recommendation and bring the report to the Parks & Forest Committee for their review.
9. Correspondence – Josh reported Bill LeBarron from the Augusta ATV club contacted him about developing an ATV Trail thru Pinter/Coon Gut. Josh did not commit to Bill.

Also, if Jack Pine Road could be made into an ATV Trail and it was determined to be a Highway Department/Committee issue. .

10. Staff and Committee Report – Jody reported the burn was done at the Horse Creek Fire site that was a stop on the forestry tour. He also stated all storm damage had been repaired except for the Pea Creek site. Bruce stated he was impressed with the ATV trail improvements.
11. Advisory committee Input/Assignments – The committee had nothing for the Advisory Committee to discuss at this time but Josh said he would try to schedule an Advisory Committee meeting for early January.
12. Committee Education – Brooke reported on Gypsy Moth program thru the DNR and passed out a handout on Gypsy Moth numbers for Eau Claire County and neighboring counties statistics. The handout showed a large reduction in Eau Claire County in the moth population from prior years largely due to BT aerial spraying.
13. Next meeting date: The next meeting will be the Township Meeting at the Wilson Town Hall – Corner of G and MM and starts at 6:30 p.m. Agenda items for the meeting were discussed.
14. Future and pending items – Nothing to report.

Pat moved to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Barone
Committee Clerk

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY
COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND FOREST, ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND TOWNSHIPS WITH
COUNTY FOREST LAND IN THEM**

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 17, 2016, 6:30 p.m. – Wilson Town Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Gibson, Patrick LaVelle, Kevin Stelljes, and Bruce Willett

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tami Schraufnagel

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Peterson and Kyle Reiter

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Kirk Dahl, Tom Field, Mike Lea, Robert Paddock, Geoff Goodland, Letecia Papke, Jay Plummer and Joelene Smith

STAFF PRESENT: Bobbi Barone, Jody Gindt and Josh Pedersen

OTHERS PRESENT: Brooke Ludwig, WDNR Forester; Kayleen Rosman and Duane Merritt, Town of Fairchild; Ed Shilts, Aaron Vizer and Dan Meyer, Town of Wilson

1. Confirmation of Meeting notice – The meeting notice was confirmed.
2. Introductions of all present – Those present introduced themselves.
3. Overview of county Parks & Forest operations current projects and issues – Josh and Jody gave an overview of county forest operations and Jody noted cooperation needed between Parks & Forest and Townships. Currently Forest Roads are being graveled. Brooke Ludwig, DNR Forester, gave a presentation on GLO or General Land Office field notes from the past centuries of the area near Coon Fork and also showed some aerial photos of the changes in land use over the years for that area of the County Forest. Also, attendees were given a forest quiz and Brooke went through the correct answers.
4. Discussion of any issues of concern to township officials related to Parks & Forest operations, its policies and programs - Duane Merritt mentioned a culvert that needs replacement in the Town of Fairchild and Jody said it was on the list of projects to be done.

Pat adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Attendees were served refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Barone
Committee Clerk

← KickinKidsLetterToCoun...



September 10, 2016

Josh Pedersen

Dear Josh Pedersen,

Subject: Eau Claire Youth Ski League at Tower Ridge

We would like to ask the Parks and Forest committee to renew the designation of free ski nights on Monday's in January and February 2016 from 4pm to close. The Eau Claire Youth Ski League and the Eau Claire Ski Striders will again offer free adult lessons on a minimum of 2 nights during this time.

The last five years this program has worked well for all parties and hopefully accomplished all of our goals with it. Programs like this offer positive encouragement to communities to get outside, improve fitness and take advantage of the parks and forest resources. This is a big win for everyone.

Here is our schedule for the coming year:

Kickin Kids and High School Team: January 9, 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 13, 20, 27.

Adult Ski lesson dates are still to be scheduled.

We really appreciate the committee working with us on this last year. Hopefully we can have another great year. I would like to invite all the committee members to stop by on one of these dates, take some lessons or just observe our kids and coaches in action.

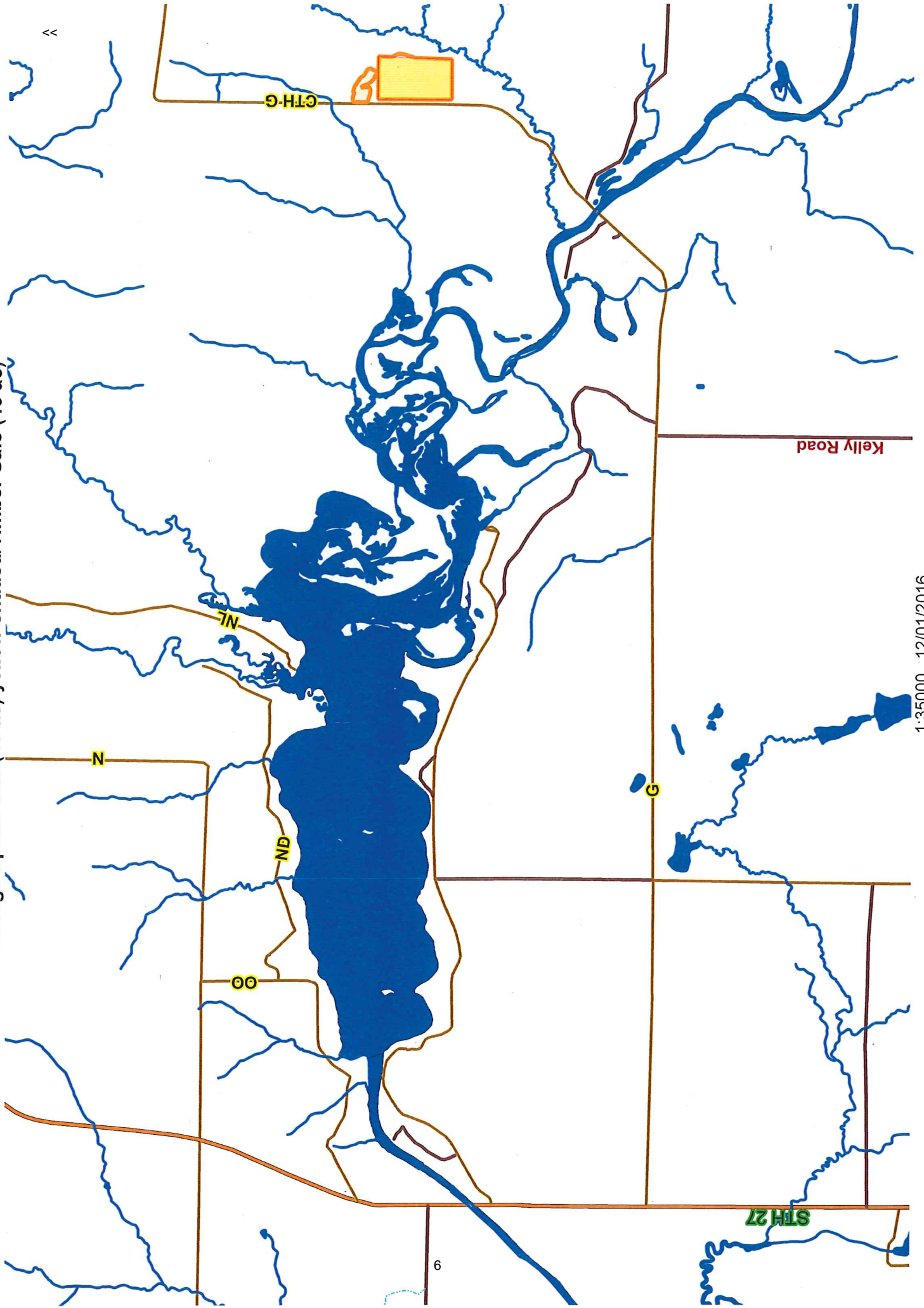
Sincerely,

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Christopher T. Gorzek
Director
Eau Claire Youth Ski League

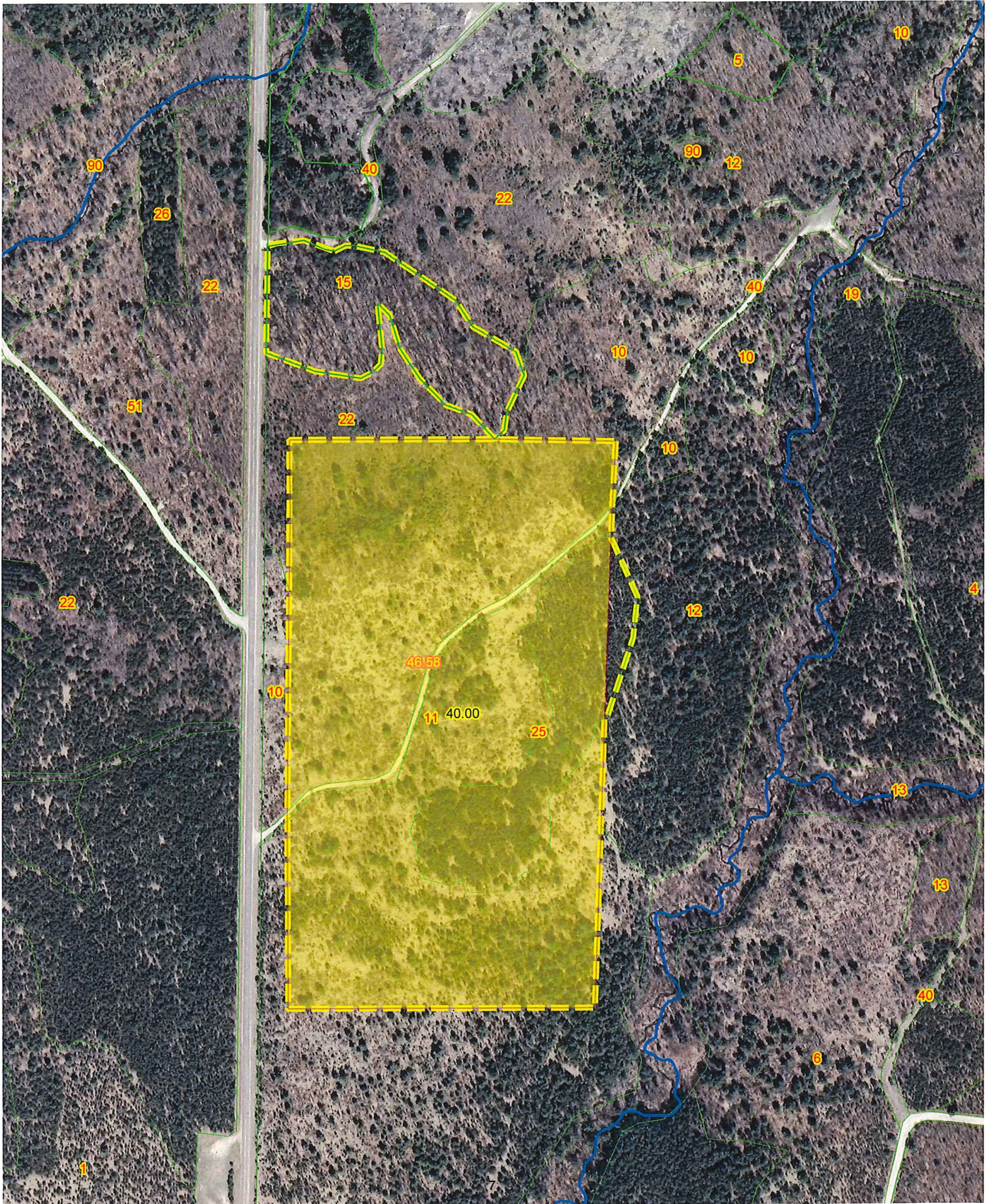
Locator Map

Dredge Spoils Site (40 ac) yellow shaded/Timber Sale (46 ac)



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PROPOSED LAKE ALTOONA CLUBHOUSE AND SHELTER RESERVATION CHANGES

1. Switch to 100% online reservation booking.
2. Reservation holder will pay 100% of the reservation fee at the time of booking.
3. Switch to 7 hour windows for reservations with set up and clean up included in that timeframe. No extra hour charges will be allowed.
4. The alcohol surcharge will be included in the new reservation pricing, eliminating the additional surcharge. New fees are as follows:
 - Shelter: \$80 Sunday to Saturday. Currently \$70
 - Clubhouse: \$115 Monday through Thursday. Currently \$90
 - Clubhouse: \$165 Friday through Sunday. Currently \$140
5. There will be a \$2.00 fee for online reservations, the same as is currently in place at Tower Ridge
6. A \$10 fee will be charged for all change requests to reservations once they have been booked.
7. Existing reservations for 2017 will be held at the current rates at the time of booking. All new reservations will be held under the new policies.
8. The refund policy will be changed to reflect a 50% refund of fees if cancelled greater than 30 days from the reservation.
9. No refund will be given to cancellations of 30 days or less.
10. Implementation will be January 1, 2017.

1 **Enrolled No.**

ORDINANCE

File No. 16-17/062

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3 **- TO AMEND SECTION 16.30.040 B. OF THE CODE: FEES AND CHARGES -**

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5 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire does ordain as follows:

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7 **SECTION 1.** That Subsection B. of Section 16.30.040 of the code be amended to
8 read:

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10 **Lake Altoona County Park Fees**

- 11 Clubhouse ~~\$90.00~~115.00/reservation Monday – Thursday plus
12 \$15.00 /hour for each hour after five hours and
13 \$140.00~~165.00~~/reservation on Friday, Saturday,
14 Sunday &
15 holidays plus \$25.00 for each hour after five hours.
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17 Alcohol Surcharge for ~~Clubhouse~~ ~~\$25.00~~ surcharge shall be charged for each
18 reservation when alcoholic beverages are served.
- 19 Picnic Shelter (with electricity) ~~\$70.00~~ for first 5 hrs. plus \$10.00/hr. thereafter
20 \$80.00 any change requests will be charged \$10.00.

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23 **SECTION 2.** This ordinance will be in effect on January 1, 2017.

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38 Committee on Parks and Forest

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FACT SHEET

TO FILE NO. 16-17/062

The ordinance changes the fee structure at Lake Altoona Park for renting of facilities. The alcohol surcharge is eliminated. Fees are increased \$25 and extra hour charges are eliminated however, reservations are increased to a seven (7) hour period in order to go to 100% online reservation booking. In addition, any change requests will be charged \$10.00.

Fiscal Impact: \$0 anticipated as \$25 alcohol surcharge elimination is replaced with rental increase of \$25.

Respectfully Submitted,

Josh Pedersen
Parks & Forest Director

Ordinance/16-17.062 Fact