

MINUTES

Eau Claire County

• Committee On Parks & Forest •

Monday, August 12, 2019

5:00 p.m.

Agriculture & Resource Center – Room #203

227 1st St W • Altoona WI

Members Present: Gary Gibson, Bert Moritz, Pat LaVelle, Tami Schraufnagel, and Kevin Stelljes

Others Present: Kathryn Schauf – County Administrator, Tim Sullivan – Corporation Counsel, Kyle Johnson – WDNR Liaison Forester, Erika Gullerud – Finance Dept, Fred Belay

Staff Present: Josh Pedersen – Director, Jody Gindt – Supervisor, Ali Moe – Administrative Specialist III

1. Chair Stelljes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and confirmation of meeting notice was validated.
2. The committee reviewed the minutes from the July 8, 2019 and July 16, 2019 meetings. Bert moved to approve the minutes. The motion was carried.
3. No members of the public were present.
4. Fred Belay was in attendance to discuss the Town of Union's request for Eau Claire County's assistance in maintaining Sherman Creek Park & Youth Forest. Josh and Fred will discuss this further and present to the committee at a future meeting.

Kathryn Schauf joined the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

5. Josh presented the 2020 budget to the Committee. It was reviewed and discussed ending in a unanimous approval, 5-0.
6. The committee discussed Ordinance 19-20/045.
The following sentence has been added to the original minutes. Stelljes proposed to come back to this topic in three months' time. Tami moved to do more research, list questions, and gather logger opinions on not extending floodplain contracts. The motion carried, 3-2, with Supervisors LaVelle and Gibson voting "Nay."

Supervisor Moritz motioned to approve the minutes as corrected on 9/9/2019.
7. Josh presented the idea of adjusting Exposition Center rates. The committee discussed the advantages and disadvantages of adjusting the prices. The motion was carried to research and compare rental prices of Exposition facilities in neighboring counties before.
8. The committee discussed the sustainable forestry grant request for purchasing a drone for forest reconnaissance. Tami moved to approve. The motion was carried.

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Kevin adjourned the meeting at 7 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Ali Moe
Committee Clerk
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