

AGENDA
Eau Claire County
Committee on Parks and Forest
Monday, December 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

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1. Call to order and confirmation of meeting notice
2. Roll call
3. Public comment
4. Review and approval of minutes – **Discussion/Action**
 - a. November 9, 2020
5. Introduction of new Eau Claire Warden – Ryan Lowry
6. Approval of timber bids – **Discussion/Action**
7. Ordinance 20-21/091: Designation of Riverview Road Wayside – **Discussion/Action**
8. Kickin Kids Program Presentation for 2020-2021 Winter Season by Chris Gorzek – **Discussion/Action**
9. Resolution 20-21/093: Adopting 2021 Annual Work Plan and County Forest Administrator grant application – **Discussion/Action**
10. 2021-2036 County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan Review Draft Chapters 100-400 – **Discussion/Action**
 - a. [Link to Chapters 100-400](#)
11. Set future committee meetings and items for discussion – **Discussion/Action**
12. Adjourn

Prepared by: Samantha Kraegenbrink

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MINUTES
Eau Claire County
Committee on Parks and Forest
Monday, November 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Kevin Stelljes, Tami Schraufnagel, Joe Knight, Gary Gibson, Missy Christopherson

Others Present: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Acting Committee Clerk, Jody Gindt, Jacob Tumm, Dale Zank, Josh Pedersen, Chris Gorzek, Erika Gullerud, Mark Blaskey, Kyle Johnson

Public: Present

Chair Stelljes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

Verbal roll call was taken and indicated above under present.

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Supervisor Christopherson motioned to approve minutes from October 19, 2020 as presented. All in favor, none opposed, minutes approved.

Dale Zank was in attendance to provide detail and an ask to place a state historical marker at the Lake Eau Claire Dam. There would be no cost to the County unless the County wished to donate. The County would be involved in all signage and design. Motion by Supervisor Schraufnagel motions to approve the beginning of the process, all in favor.

Mark Blaskey was in attendance to request placing a sculpture (example provided in the November 9, 2020 packet – page 5.) After discussion, Supervisor Knight motions to accept the donation of the memorials to be placed at Tower Ridge. All in favor, none opposed.

The committee discussed CORBAs request to rent storage space at Expo Center Building C. Representatives (Bailey and Dan) from CORBA joined the Webex meeting to answer questions/provide more detail of the request. In order to proceed, would need to have an agreement and rent considerations per Corporation Counsel. Motion by Chair Stelljes to authorize Director Pedersen to negotiate a three-year contract with CORBA in lieu of the storage container authorized previously. All in favor, none opposed.

Jacob Tumm provided an update on the fall 2020 timber sales. Advised there is current 14 sales out for bids or about to go out for bids. The committee further discussed timber sales and location. Chair Stelljes asked if there was the ability to change the contracts to extend out to two years to stay competitive and minimize the need for companies to ask for extension. Supervisor Knight motions to extend the base contract period to two years. No further discussion. All in favor, none opposed.

The committee discussed approval of the timber sales as presented to the committee. All in favor of the sales, none opposed.

The committee discussed the 2021 budget that was approved by the County Board at the November 5, 2020 meeting. Position addition was approved as well as approval of the capital funds to replace the failing septic system at Lake Altoona.

Director Pedersen discussed the 2021-2036 County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan Public. Originally planned was to have a public open house to discuss the plan. Pedersen is proposing that draft chapters be approved by the committee and once approved, would be released for the public to provide comment. Once

posted, the committee would have a public meeting to answer any public concerns at the next committee meeting followed by a vote to approve the plan. Supervisor Christopherson motions to approve the amended plan for the public comment process of the comprehensive plan. All in favor, none opposed.

Chair Stelljes provided background and detail on agenda item Forest carbon sequestration paper.

The following items were requested to be placed on the next regular meeting of the Parks and Forest Committee:

- Request to add discussion of Kickin Kids and COVID-19 (Health Dept.) concerns. Would like more details.
- Compliance on parks admission
- Review of four to six chapters of the 2021-2036 County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Samantha Kraegenbrink". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Samantha Kraegenbrink – Acting Committee Clerk

FACT SHEET

TO FILE NO. 20-21/091

RE: Amending Section 16.30.010 D. of the code: Designating the Riverview Road Trailhead as a wayside.

Riverview Road terminates at a trailhead at the corner of Seymour, Washington, and Lincoln Townships. Presently there is a parking area adjacent to a section of the County Forest containing approximately 407 acres. This area contains a network of trails and logging roads, including numerous access points to the south side of the Eau Claire River.

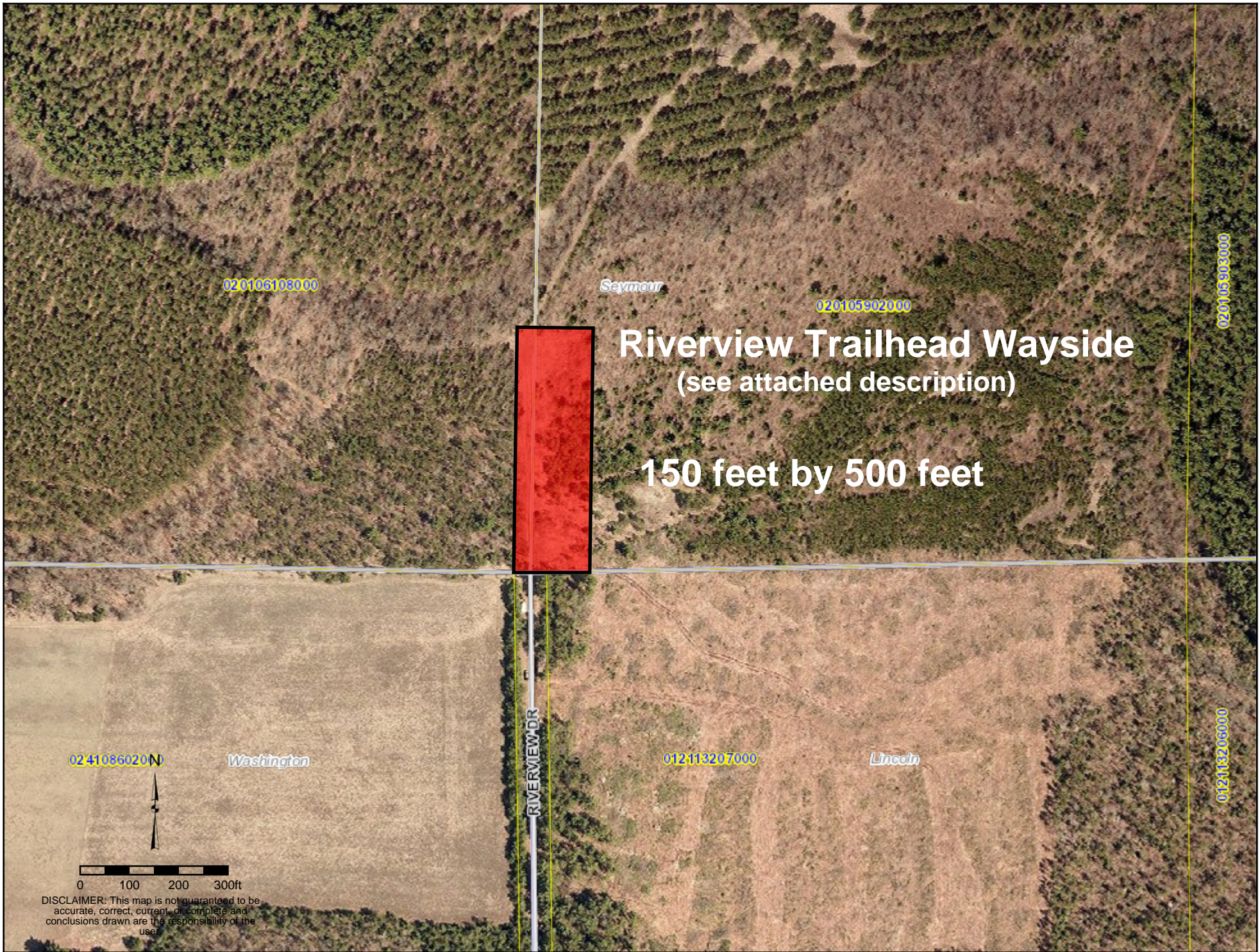
This parking area and trailhead is gated and bermed to restrict vehicle traffic. The area is widely used for walking, snowshoeing, hunting and access to the Eau Claire River. Unfortunately, the parking/trailhead area has also become a common area for uncontrolled shooting. There have been several incidents reported by users of dangerous encounters with firearm discharges accidentally coming near people. Also the area has been a chronic source of shooting litter, including spent ammunition and target debris consisting of anything from clay target pieces, glass, cans, to semi-explosive materials. Recently, there have also been incidents of firearms being used to shoot down small trees using weapons apparently capable of large round capacities.

The proposed ordinance will designate the trailhead area of approximately 1.7 acres as a wayside. Existing County code 16.30.180 prohibits the possession of loaded firearms in the named waysides. Loaded firearms will continue to be allowed in the remaining 405 acres. The legal description and map of the wayside will be retained by the Parks and Forest office as noted in existing code. A copy of the map is attached for reference only.

Fiscal Impact: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Stelljes
Chair, Committee on Parks and Forest



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Riverview Trailhead Wayside (see attached description)

150 feet by 500 feet

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Lincoln

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RIVERVIEW DR



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DISCLAIMER: This map is not guaranteed to be accurate, correct, current, or complete and conclusions drawn are the responsibility of the user.

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3 TO AMEND SECTION 16.30.010 D. 26. OF THE CODE: DESIGNATION OF PARK,
4 SPECIAL USE AREA AND WAYSIDE BOUNDARIES AND LANDS SUBJECT TO THIS
5 CHAPTER; TO CREATE SECTION 16.30.010 D. 27 OF THE CODE: DESIGNATION OF
6 PARK, SPECIAL USE AREA AND WAYSIDE BOUNDARIES AND LANDS SUBJECT TO
7 THIS CHAPTER

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

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11 SECTION 1. That paragraph 26. of Subsection D. of Section 16.30.010. of the code be
12 amended to read:

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14 26. Computer #004-1130-05, PIN #18004-2-261003-110-2002, formerly
15 W4133 Porterville Road.;

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17 SECTION 1. That paragraph 27. of Subsection D. of Section 16.30.010. of the code be
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20 27. Riverview Road Trailhead.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing
Correctly represents the action of the
Committee on Parks and Forest on
November ___, 2020, by a vote of ___
For, and ___ against.

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Kevin Stelljes, Chair
Parks and Forest Committee

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FACT SHEET

TO FILE NO 20-21/093

As stated in the resolution, County Board approval is required to comply with the requirements of the Forest Administration Grant. Details of the Parks & Forest Director's wages and fringe benefits are submitted to the state to determine the grant amount.

The Forest Administration grant will be approximately \$50,500 in positive fiscal impact.

Respectfully submitted,

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Josh Pedersen
Parks & Forest Director

4 ADOPTING THE 2021 ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR THE PARKS AND FOREST
5 DEPARTMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE COUNTY FOREST ADMINISTRATION GRANT
6 PROGRAM

7 WHEREAS, each year the county is eligible to receive 50% of the actual salary and up to
8 50% of the fringe benefit costs of a county-employed professional forester in the position of
9 county forest administrator or assistant county forest administrator, except that the fringe
10 benefits may not exceed 40% of the position’s annual salary; and

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12 WHEREAS, the parks and forest director, in his position, qualifies for this funding; and

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14 WHEREAS, per Wis. Stat. § 28.11 (5)(b) and Wis. Admin. Code NR 47.75 for the
15 county forest administration grant program, the county board must approve an annual county
16 forest work plan which must also be approved by the department of natural resources to comply;
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19 WHEREAS, the 2021 Annual Work Plan implements projects included in the adopted
20 2021 budget and other projects involving only staff time with no other budget expenditures; and

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22 WHEREAS, a copy of the approved 2021 Annual Work Plan and a copy of this adopted
23 resolution must be received by the department of natural resources prior to January 31, 2021.

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25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of
26 Supervisors hereby adopts the attached 2021 Annual Work Plan for the parks and forest
27 department.

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29 ADOPTED:

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31 I hereby certify that the foregoing
32 correctly represents the action taken
33 by the undersigned Committee on
34 December ____, 2020 by a vote of ____
35 for, and ____ against.
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40 Kevin Stelljes, Chair
41 Parks and Forest Committee
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