MINUTES

Eau Claire County

Committee on Parks & Forest

Monday, November 14, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Agricultural and Resource Center

227 1st Street West., Altoona – Room 103 and 104

Members Present: Joe Knight, Tami Schraufnagel, Jodi Lepsch, Dane Zook, Nick Smiar (Ex Officio Member)

Others Present: Josh Pedersen, Jody Gindt, Erika Gullerud, Kyle Johnson

Call to Order Committee on Parks & Forest and confirmation of meeting notice

Chairman Knight called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and confirmed public posting of the meeting.

Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Review of October 10, 2022, Committee Meeting Minutes

Board Chair Smiar noted that his presence should be indicated under "Members Present", instead of "Others Present". It was also noted that Supervisor Zook arrived at 5:30 PM. Supervisor Schraufnagel motioned to approve the minutes from October 10, 2022, as amended. All in favor.

Approve Fall Timber Sales

Jake Tumm and Kyle Johnson presented information on the Fall 2022 timber sales for bids. Supervisor Schraufnagel motioned to approve timber sales as presented. All in favor.

Approval of Timber Sale Extensions

Jake Tumm presented information on nine timber sales where loggers were seeking extensions. Supervisor Zook motioned to approve the list of extensions as presented All in favor.

<u>Resolution 22-23/067 – Resolution requesting to develop a Forest Carbon Credit Offset Project in Eau Claire County</u> Supervisor Lepsch motioned to amend the resolution as presented by striking the phrases "parks and recreational projects, parks and forest capital projects" from the resolution. Three members voted aye (Knight, Schraufnagel, and Lepsch). Zook voted no. Motion passed 3-1.

Supervisor Schraufnagel motioned to approve resolution 22-23/067 as amended. Three members voted aye (Knight, Schraufnagel, and Lepsch). Zook voted no. Motion passed 3-1.

Memorial Bench Request for Big Falls

Director Pedersen spoke on a request for a memorial bench to be placed at Big Falls County Park, honoring the life of Janelle Britton. Supervisor Schraufnagel motioned to approve placement of the bench at Big Falls. All in favor.

Director's Report

Director Pedersen informed the committee about the upcoming plans for the Lake Eau Claire Clubhouse renovations. It was suggested that a public input hearing be held to gather citizen input on the project before proceeding. This hearing will be held December 12 at the Lake Eau Claire shop facility.

Moving of Coon Fork Log Cabin

Director Pedersen updated the committee on correspondence with the save the cabin group. The committee gave direction to send a certified letter to the leader of the group to ask for any final thoughts or comments on the project to be sent.

Future Parks & Forest Committee Meetings and Items for Discussion

Next Parks & Forest committee meeting date is set for December 12, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. at the Lake Eau Claire shop facility.

Committee on Parks & Forest Adjournment

The Committee on Parks & Forest adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Josh Pedersen Committee Clerk Director – Parks & Forest