AGENDA

Eau Claire County

• Committee on Parks & Forest •

Monday, July 08, 2024, 4:00 p.m.

Room AG 103 and 104

Join from the meeting link.

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For those wishing to make public comment, you must e-mail Kimberly Watnemoe at Kimberly.watnemoe@eauclairecounty.gov at least 60 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person and 30 minutes maximum for the public comment period.

- 1. Call to Order and Confirmation of Meeting Notice
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Review/Approval of Committee Minutes Discussion/Action
 - a. June 10, 2024
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Tower Lease at Expo Center Discussion/Action
- 6. Resolution 24-25.046 Authorizing the Withdrawal from County Forest Law and Sale of Approximately 0.928 Acres Located on S. 140th in the Town of Lincoln. Owned by Eau Claire County to the Town of Seymour **Discussion/Action**
- 7. County Forest Camping Policy 16.30.520 A. 1. Discussion/Action
- 8. Approval of Advisory Committee Members **Discussion/Action**
- 9. Carbon Credits Presentation **Discussion**
- 10. North Side of Lake Altoona Public Access **Discussion**
- 11. Director's Report

Prepared by Kimberly Watnemoe, Parks & Forest

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12. Future Committee Meetings and Items for Discussion Next Meeting – August 12, 2024, at 4 pm at the County Boardroom 13. Adjourn

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MINUTES

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Monday, June 10, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Agricultural and Resource Center

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

Members Present: Joe Knight, Tami Schraufnagel, Cory Sisk (Virtual), Michele Skinner, Christy Tomczak

Others Present: Josh Pedersen – Director, Jody Gindt – Supervisor, Kimberly Watnemoe – Administrative Specialist III (Committee Clerk), Erika Gullerud – Finance Analyst, Kathryn Schauf – County Administrator, Kyle Johnson – DNR County Forest Liaison, Nancy Coffey – Ex Officio Member

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

Chairman Knight called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m and confirmed public posting of the meeting.

Public Comment

No members of the public wished to make comment.

Review of May 13, 2024, Committee Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Schraufnagel motions to approve the minutes from May 13, 2024, All in favor.

Cell Tower Lease at Exposition Center

Director Pedersen spoke on this project. The facilities director Matt Theisen reached out to the Parks department as they were approached to have a cell tower placed at the Eau Claire County Exposition Center. This would allow for an expansion of broadband coverage, primarily to Verizon on the south side of town. The proposed area would be a 100 ft by 100 ft area with a 75 ft fenced in area restricting access to the base. The cell tower itself would be a 200 ft tower. Ramaker has proposed a \$1,000 a month payment increase by 1.5% every year for 50 years to lease the space. Previously, this was brought to the administration meeting and was discussed. A Ramaker representative was there to speak about this project and field any questions from the committee. Supervisor Wilke questioned if this was the best offer, they could provide. This is market value for the tower space. The proposed space would be interfering with the fenced in dog area, but this space could be relocated. Pedersen did clarify he has talked with the user groups, i.e the County Fair. The fair is planning on using the proposed land for the fair this year but has not used it in years past. Pedersen said the only downside to the proposed location is that the expo center parking lot could not be expanded. Committee members then discussed the possibility of moving the location slightly to allow for parking lot expansion and would locate it further from where children may be etc. Supervisor Schraufnagel motions to continue working on locating the cell tower on the expo center grounds but work with user groups and Ramaker to find the best location for the next 50 years. All in favor.

Resolution 24-25/041 Granting Utility Easement to Eau Claire Energy Cooperative in the Town of Lincoln, Eau Claire County, WI

Director Pedersen spoke about this resolution stating said every time we add a new electrical metered service, we need to issue an easement to the service provider, which requires county board approval. This is a capital budget project, allowing for 10 electric sites out of 27 sites. To do this, the department would need electricity brought in from HHH to the campground. This costs about \$8,000 for the trenching and to get the service in. The true cost for the easement is nothing. The actual cost is included in the capital budget. Supervisor Sisk motions to approve the easement. All in favor.

Director's Report

Director Pedersen provided an update on the summer season. We have most of the seasonal staff hired. LAP ranger, Sarah Christensen, has left the county and found a new position. We are in the process of our DNR and Forestry audit. The Coon Fork campground has been very busy, as has LAP beach. Ski Sprites got their first aqua thruster, and it will be fired up tonight to see how it works. Ski Striders raised enough funds for their new groomer so we will be issuing the final payment shortly. It will be stored at the grooming shed at Tower Ridge. In May, a Tornado hit Augusta, DNR Liaison Johnson went on a flight throughout the area however, it appeared private land took more damage than county land, with minimal clean up needed at Skid Row. Our County Forest Land needed some red pine cleaned up which forester Kron will be cleaning up at a discounted rate. Lastly, the 2025 budget is being worked on currently.

Future Parks & Forest Committee Meetings and Items for Discussion

Next Parks & Forest committee meeting date is set for July 08, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Knight would like to discuss more access to Lake Altoona North and have an update on the Carbon Credit Project. Supervisor Skinner would like to add a discussion about the Lake Altoona Sand Trap. Approval of Advisory Committee Appointment will also be on the next agenda.

Committee on Parks & Forest Adjournment

The Committee on Parks & Forest adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

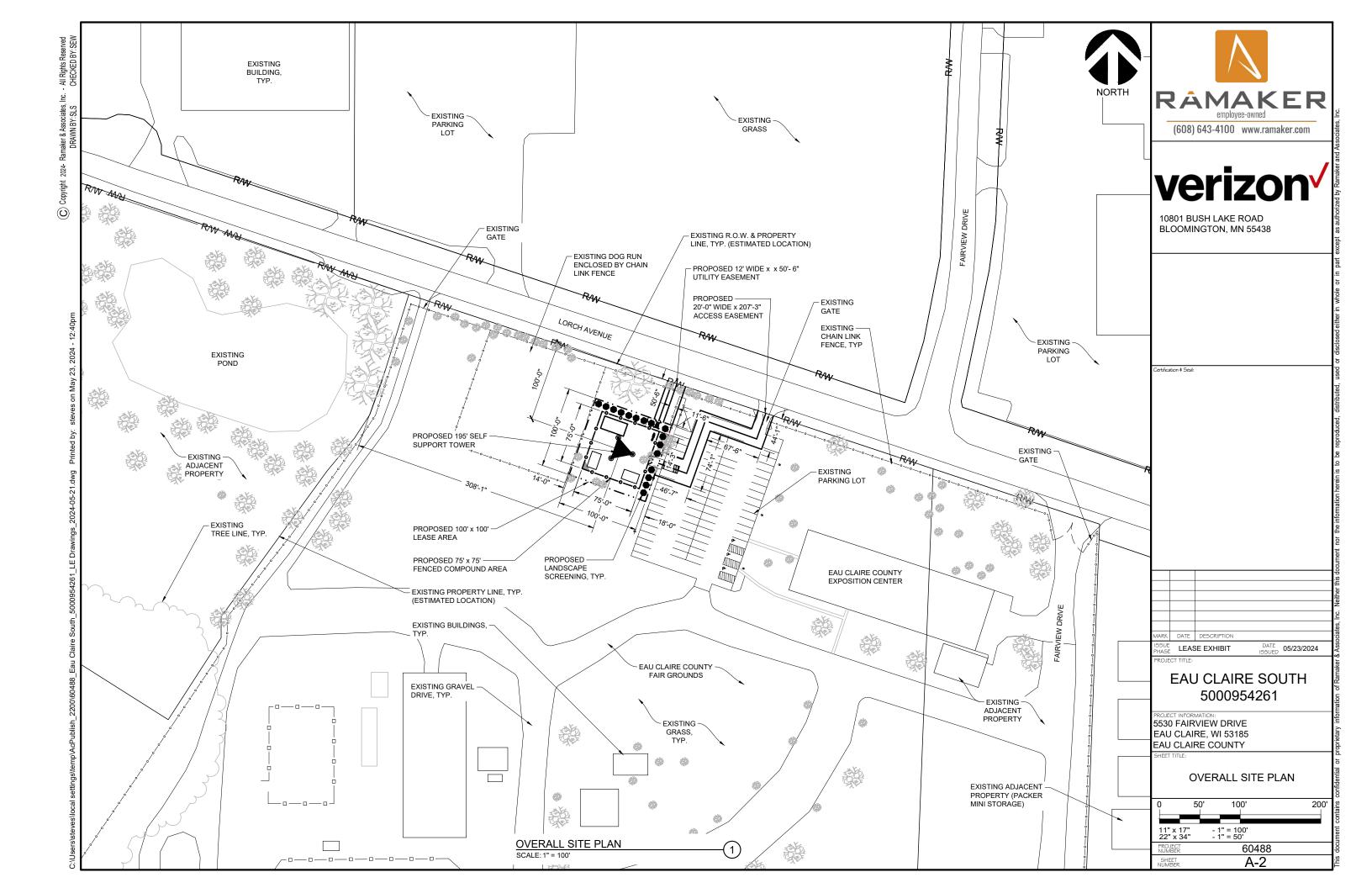
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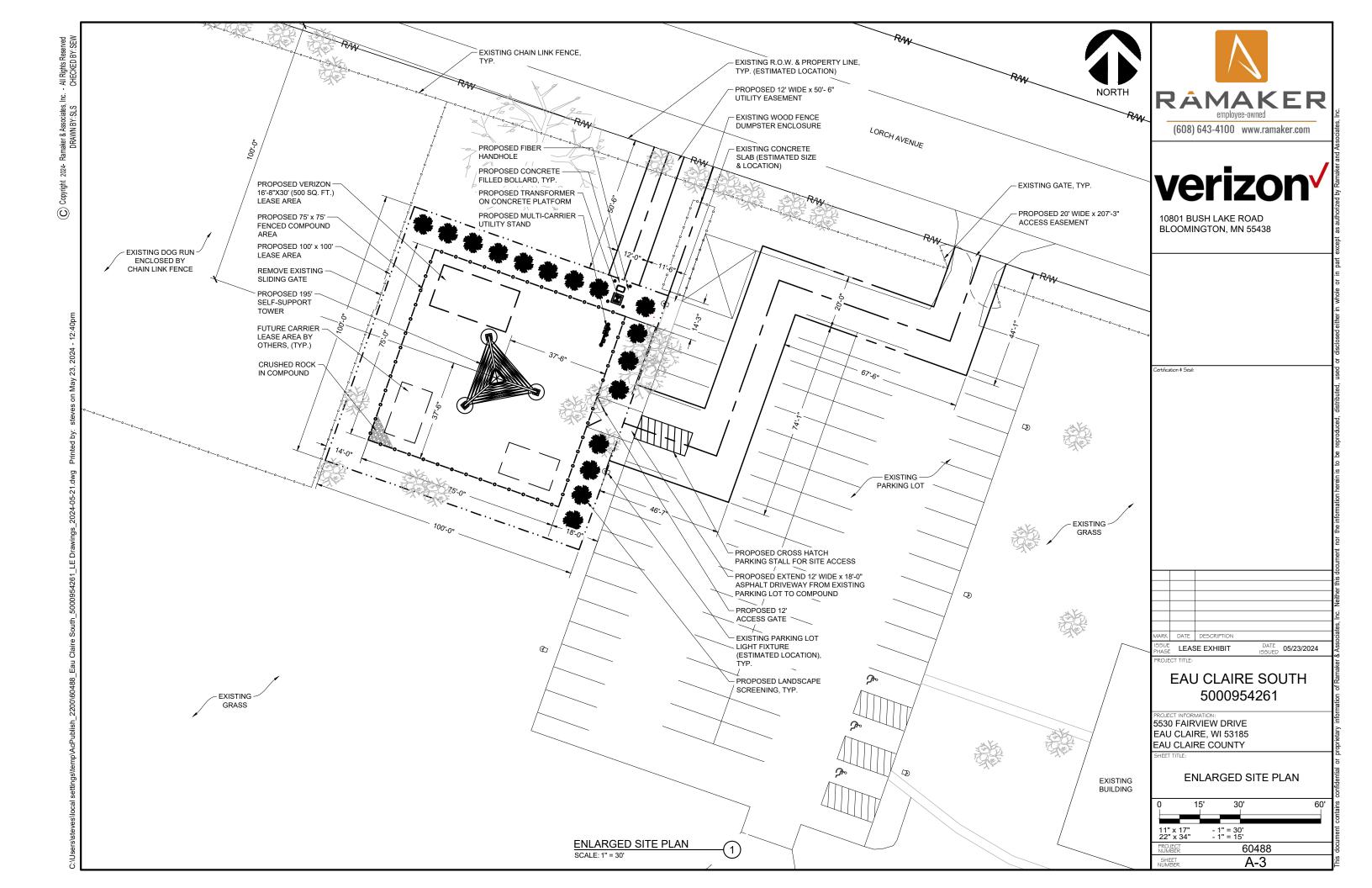
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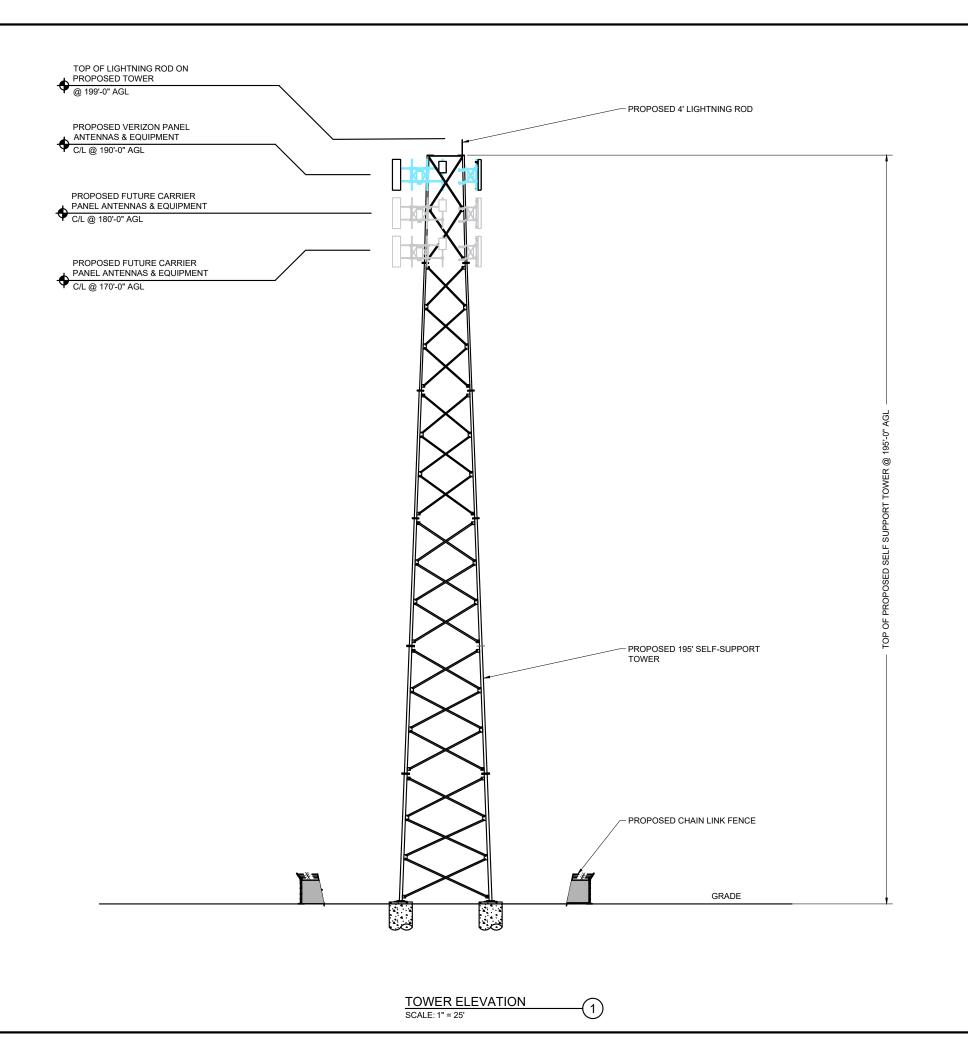
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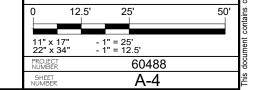
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TOWER ELEVATION



FACT SHEET

TO FILE NO. 24-25/046

The Town of Seymour desires to purchase approximately .928 acres of County Forest lands from Eau Claire County for the purpose of relocating and repairing the roadway and bridge located on S. 140. Approximately forty percent of said lands are currently designated as highway right-of-way. The Town of Seymour has offered \$8,086.80 for the land purchase. This sum represents twenty cents per square foot of the non-right-of-way parcel.

The Parks and Forest department respectfully requests the funds be allocated into the non-lapsing Forest Land Acquisition account.

Fiscal Impact: \$8,086.80

Respectfully Submitted,

Josh Pedersen Director Parks and Forest AUTHORIZING THE WITHDRAWAL FROM COUNTY FOREST LAW AND SALE OF APROXIMATELY .928 ACRES LOCATED ON S 140^{TH} IN THE TOWN OF LINCOLN, OWNED BY EAU CLAIRE COUNTY TO THE TOWN OF SEYMOUR

WHEREAS, Eau Claire County holds an interest in fee simple located on S 140th Ave in, the Town of Lincoln. Parcel No. 18012-2-270720-110-0001; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Seymour desires to purchase approximately .928 acres of Eau Claire County owned land to relocate a portion of roadway and bridge along S. 140th in the town of Lincoln, see Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Seymour has offered eight thousand eighty-six dollars and eighty cents for said land purchase; and

WHEREAS, the above-captioned parcel needs to be withdrawn from Eau Claire County Forest Lands in accordance with Wis. Stat. §28.11; and

WHEREAS, any proceeds gained from the sale of forest products or spoils shall be deposited into the non-lapsing Forest Land Acquisition account; and

WHEREAS, the committee on parks and forest recommends sufficient funds be allocated in 2024 to purchase a replacement parcel for the withdrawn area.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors authorizes the sale of the above-mentioned parcel to the Town of Seymour for the sum of eight thousand eighty-six dollars and eighty cent (\$8,086.80).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized to draft any documents necessary to complete the sale of land.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to complete the sale of the land.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors that it hereby approves withdrawal of the parcel consisting of approximately .928 acres (more or less) from the county forest law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parks & Forest Director is hereby directed to make an application to the Department of Natural Resources for withdrawal of said county land from the County Forest Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funds from the sale, products and any spoils be deposited into the non-lapsing Forest Land Acquisition account.

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