

Land, Forestry, Parks and Zoning Committee Meeting Minutes
July 13th, 2020
12:30 pm

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| Members Present: | Others: |
| Joe Lally | Brian Loyd |
| Jerry Niles | Alan Peterson |
| James Parrett | |
| Ed Wafle | |
| Scott Wilhorn | |

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Scott Wilhorn

1. Approval of Minutes

- The June minutes were approved on a Lally/Parrett motion.

2. Review of Vouchers

- Vouchers were reviewed and discussed.

3. Land Sales of Tax Delinquent Properties

➤ Parcel: 292510648 -- 910 W State St., Mauston [Open to Offers]

- An offer by Joseph O'Neill to purchase 910 W State through a land contract was tabled at the June County Board meeting. In response, Joseph O'Neill presented an offer for a cash purchase of the property for \$25,000.00 as an alternative.
- A Lally/Parrett motion to accept the offer for \$25,000.00 passed.

➤ Parcel: 290122440.14, Town of Germantown [Min Bid: \$10,000.00]

- A single bid was received by Rodolfo Chavez in the amount of \$11,501.00 dollars. The bid meets the minimum value of \$10,000 for the property.
- A Parrett/Wafle motion to accept the bid passed.

4. Land Trade Discussion

- A trade proposal in development involving 48 acres of Juneau County land in Community Forest and 85 acres of land owned by Steve Hamm

was discussed. It was decided that the 48 acres owned by Juneau County should be advertised and put up for sale or trade to solicit any other offers there may be for the land.

- A Lally/Waffle motion to list the 48 acres of Community Forest Land for cash or trade passed.

5. Ho-Chunk Grant Request for New Mower

- The Land, Forestry and Parks Department is requesting Ho-Chunk grant funds to purchase a new John Deere mower to replace an older mower in the fleet. The request for a new mower was taken to the Finance Committee meeting earlier in the day.

6. Request to Purchase Two Printers for Castle Rock & Wilderness Park Offices

- The Department is requesting to use available Office Supply funding to purchase two new printers to replace printers at Castle Rock & Wilderness Park. The two printers at the park offices are becoming unreliable and were older, used, printers given to the Department after their use in another County Department. The printers are used for printing daily reservation notices for camp sites, receipts and other correspondence. The new printers will also have the ability to scan documents.
- Price of the new printers to be ordered through the I.T. Department is \$219.00 dollars. The Finance and Computer Committee has recently approved of the request.

7. Administrator's Report:

- Forest – Brian Loyd updated the Committee on the upcoming forest certification audit that is scheduled for August 5th. The team of auditors and assisting WI DNR Forestry staff will tour approximately 5 past timber sale, as well as recreation and planting sites.
- Brian Loyd handed out completed drafts of the updated County Forest 15-year Land Use Plan chapters. Digital copies are posted on the Department website for public comment.
- Brian Loyd discussed an opportunity Rob Anderson, DNR Liaison, is pursuing to obtain additional funds next planting season by applying for a Sustainable Forestry Grant. The grant funds, if awarded, could help Juneau County double 2021 spring planting efforts by hiring a hand crew to help catch up on the lost 2020 planting year due to Covid-19.

- A Parrett/Lally motion to approve of the Land, Forestry & Park Department's Sustainable Forestry Grant request passed.
- Parks – Brian Loyd and Terry Kleifgen are working on a clarifying the definition and role of campground host. A few camp ground host workers are essentially full-time seasonal employees working up to 600 hours a season, while others who have other full-time jobs are only working their required hours primarily on the weekends.

8. Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm by Scott Wilhorn.
- The next meeting will be held 12:30 pm, Monday, August 10th, 2020. Location to be determined. Either Land, Forestry & Parks Department or County Courthouse.