

Land, Forestry, Parks and Zoning Committee Meeting Minutes  
September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
12:30 pm

Members Present:	Others:
Jack Jasinski	Brian Loyd
Betty Manson	Harvey Fields
Ray Feldman	Ashley Bell
Chris Zindorf (chair)	

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Chris Zindorf.

1. Approval of Minutes

- The August minutes were approved on a Feldman/Jasinski motion.

2. Review Vouchers

- Vouchers were reviewed and discussed.
  - A Jasinski/Manson motion to approve the August vouchers passed.

3. Land Sales of Tax Delinquent Properties

➤ Town of Necedah – John Lee Property

- Parcel: 290280317
- Harvey Fields is an adjacent land owner to a junk-yard previously owned and operated by John Lee (deceased). While in attendance, Harvey Fields shared his knowledge and history of the property with the Committee. Brian Loyd & Dustin Ladd had previously met with Harvey to look at the property and explore options for clean-up. Harvey Fields has offered to help in clean-up and would have interest in the property. The previous Committee declined to take this property in 2022 due to resources already committed to clean-up another waste site in New Lisbon, and costs for clean-up of this junk-yard are currently unknown. Grant funding to assist in clean-up of the John Lee property are being researched.
  - A Jasinski/Feldman motion to seek grant funding assistance that would enable the clean-up of the John Lee junk-yard passed.

➤ City of New Lisbon – Hog Island Road

Min Bid: \$38,400.00

- Parcel: 292610403.03
- The Committee discussed reducing the minimum bid price of the parcel to help find a buyer of the lot. A decision was tabled due to

uncertainty around how far below the appraised land value the Committee is able to lower the sale price. Attorney David Lasker will be asked to attend the next Land, Forestry, Parks & Zoning Committee Meeting to clarify the law.

#### 4. Discussion on Action to Clean-Up Junkyard in Armenia Township

- At the request of the sheriff and the highway commissioner, Juneau County Corp Counsel David Lasker is recommending the Land, Forestry, Parks and Zoning Committee should take action in court to clean-up the junkyard maintained for years now by Vernon Randles in Armenia township.
- The legal action would be taken by approval of the Land, Forestry, Parks, & Zoning Committee, in accordance with sec. 6-75, Juneau County Code of Ordinances.
- Authority to proceed on behalf of the Committee is being requested by David Lasker to make the motion for the court order by filing it in the existing case of Juneau County v. Vernon S. Randles (Case No. 2018-FO-113), originally brought by the district attorney in which the court has already ordered clean-up and imposed a forfeiture of nearly \$10,000. Neither the ordered clean-up nor the payment of the forfeiture has occurred as of yet.
  - A Feldman/Manson motion to proceed with the enforcement of the case order and take action to clean-up the junkyard maintained by Vernon Randles in Armenia Township, in accordance with sec. 6-75 of the Juneau County Ordinances. Motion passed.

#### 5. Land, Forestry and Parks Department Budget Request

- Brian Loyd presented the 2023 Department operating budget request. A discussion on the revenue, grants and expense line items followed.
  - A Manson/Jasinski motion to approve the Land, Forestry and Parks Department operating budget request passed.
  - A Jasinski/Manson motion to approve a matching funds request through a WI DNR County Conservation Aids Grant to treat invasive species at Bass Hollow passed.

- Brian Loyd presented the 2023 Department capital outlay request. A discussion on the 5-year capital outlay plan followed.
  - A Jasinski/Manson motion to approve the Land, Forestry and Parks Department capital outlay plan passed.

6. Zoning Department Budget Request

- Dave Donnelly presented the 2023 Zoning Department operating budget request. A discussion on the revenue and expense line items followed.
  - A Jasinski/Manson motion to approve the Zoning Department budget request passed.

7. Administrator’s Report:

- Forest – Timber sale revenue received for calendar year 2022 so far has netted \$490,600.32 dollars, with more timber sale billing to conduct. Scott Wilhorn with the WI DNR has started work on identifying the next round of timber sales for 2023. Eight timber sales are likely to be established this fall/winter.
- Parks – The use of Kennedy Park is being requested by the Board of the Wisconsin Scholastic 3D Archery Program next summer. They are requesting primary use of the Park and the facilities for the 2023 Annual State Outdoor Field and 3D shoot to be held June 9<sup>th</sup> through June 11<sup>th</sup>. The event could draw nearly 200 Wisconsin Families to Kennedy Park and surrounding area. Special use permission is being sought similar to the use of the Park by the Wisconsin Bowhunters Association. Additional needs include reserving camp sites 1-6 to prevent the public from camping too close to shooting areas, and that the large field be mowed before June 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - A Jasinski/Feldman motion to accept the request to host the 2023 Annual State Outdoor Field and 3D shoot at Kennedy Park passed.
- Trails – The Department applied for and received a snowmobile grant through the WI DNR to re-deck a snowmobile bridge in Elroy. The bridge is needed to connect the State trails and the Omaha Trail for snowmobile use in winter. Bridge work was advertised to solicit for bids, and four bids were received by the deadline. Bridge bid results were reviewed and are as follows.

Contractor	Larson Construction	Zenith Tech, Inc.	Anderson Bridges	Custom Manufacturing
	\$124,388.00	\$211,000.00	\$103,000.00	\$63,900.00

- Trails – Bridge bids cont'd:
  - A Jasinski/Feldman motion to accept the bid from Custom Manufacturing, Inc., as the lowest responsible bid passed.

8. Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm by Chris Zindorf.
- The next meeting will be held 12:30 pm, Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at the Forestry, Parks and Zoning Building.